I.1.1  2.1.2. International recognition of the UOC

- UNESCO Chair in E-Learning

http://www.uoc.edu/catedra/unesco/eng/

The area of study pertaining to the Unesco Chair in E-learning focuses on the processes for leading and organising that ensure success as seen in experiences in the use of ICT in universities. The impact of the use of ICT in universities goes beyond the technology and educational models, as it represents a strategic opportunity for change management in universities. The Unesco Chair in E-learning at the UOC looks to carry out the following activities: observation and diffusion of e-learning, research and training in e-learning, development and promotion of e-learning.

- SUN CoE – Centre of Excellence in e-learning

http://www.uoc.edu/web/eng/noticies/artic_sun.html

Recently the UOC has been chosen as SUN Microsystems Centre of Excellence. With this recognition, the UOC will extend higher distance education to public and government institutions worldwide in order to increase professional training and contribute to economic and social progress. Aiding governments and institutions in Europe, Eastern Europe, Latin America and Asia, the UOC will facilitate and increase the dissemination of educational content over the Internet. The UOC is a 100 percent virtual university committed to life-long education at the service of the student.
UOC is the only one CoE of e-learning in all Europe.

I.1.2 2.1.3. Other international recognitions

- European Union's Bangemann Challenge Prize for the best European initiative in distance education, 1998

- WITSA 2000 Prize (*World Information Technologies and Services Alliance*) for the best digital initiative

- ICDE prize for the best virtual and distance university in the world, 2001