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Law 8/1993, of April 19, 1993, recognizing the "San Pablo-CEU"  
University of Madrid.

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JUAN CARLOS I

KING OF SPAIN

To all who see and understand this document.

Be it known: That the Cortes Generales have approved and I come to sanction the following Law:

Preamble

The Spanish Constitution recognizes the freedom of education, as well as the freedom to create educational centers, while respecting constitutional principles.

As required by articles 53.1 and 81.1 of the Constitution, Organic Law 11/1983, of August 25, 1983, on University Reform, regulates in its eighth title the exercise of those freedoms with regard to the creation of privately owned universities and higher education centers.

In turn, Royal Decree 557/1991, of April 12, 1991, established in general the minimum requirements for this purpose, as provided for in Article 58 of the Organic Law on University Reform, which contemplates the case of recognition of a private university by Law of the Cortes Generales.

In order to establish the "San Pablo-CEU" University of Madrid, under the aforementioned provisions, the San Pablo University Foundation, the promoter thereof, has complied with the precise requirements, constituted today fundamentally by the aforementioned title of the Organic Law on University Reform and certain precepts of Royal Decree 557/1991, of April 12, on the creation and recognition of universities and university centers, for the creation of a private university.

Such compliance has appeared to be sufficient for the purposes of issuing the present Law for the recognition of the university in question. In particular, it has been verified that the founding entity guarantees the minimum number of degrees referred to in article five of Royal Decree 557/1991, of April 12, 1991, and that it also assumes compliance, at the corresponding time, with all other obligations required by the legal system applicable to private universities, providing the pertinent documentation for such purposes. This Law, therefore, empowers the "San Pablo-CEU" University of Madrid, once recognized, to develop the activity that makes it possible, in its

The granting by the competent educational administration of the authorization for the beginning of their activities.

**Article 1. *Recognition of the University.***

1. The "San Pablo-CEU" University of Madrid is recognized as a private university.
2. The "San Pablo-CEU" University of Madrid shall be established in the Autonomous Community of Madrid and shall be governed by the corresponding precepts of Organic Law 11/1983, of August 25, 1983, on University Reform, and the regulations issued in its development, as well as by this Law and by its own rules of organization and operation.
3. These rules, in accordance with Article 20.1.c) of the Constitution and with the provisions of Article 2.1 of the aforementioned Organic Law, shall explicitly recognize that the activity of the University is based on academic freedom, manifested in the freedom of teaching, research and study.

**Article 2. *Structure.***

1. The University "San Pablo-CEU", of Madrid, will initially consist of the centers listed in the annex. These centers will be responsible for the administrative management and organization of the teaching leading to the award of the official degrees valid throughout the national territory that are also indicated in the appendix.
2. For the recognition of new centers at the "San Pablo-CEU" University of Madrid, and the implementation therein of new courses of study leading to official degrees valid throughout the national territory, as well as for the homologation of these, compliance with the requirements referred to in Article 58 of Organic Law 11/1983, of August 25, 1983, on University Reform, and any other regulations issued in its development, will be required.

**Article 3. *Authorization for the start-up of the University.***

1. The Government, at the request of the sponsoring entity of the "San Pablo-CEU" University of Madrid, by Royal Decree at the proposal of the Minister of Education and Science, will grant, within a period not exceeding six months, authorization for the University to begin operations and will approve the official degrees to be issued by the University, in accordance with the provisions of Article 58.4 of Organic Law 11/1983, on University Reform.
2. For this purpose, the fulfillment of the commitments acquired by the entity in charge must have been previously verified and the corresponding report of the Council of Universities on the courses to be taught must be available.

**Article 4. *Access requirements.***

1. For access to the centers of the "San Pablo-CEU" University of Madrid, it will be necessary to have previously passed the aptitude tests in accordance with the general rules regulating the same, tests that will be carried out in a public University.
2. The University shall freely regulate the regime of access and permanence of students in its centers. However, it shall give preferential value to academic results among the different merits presented by the applicants.
3. The University will ensure that in the right of access and permanence there is no regulation or practical situation that involves discrimination on the basis of birth, race, sex, religion, opinion or any other personal or social condition or circumstance.

**Article 5. *Term of operation of the University and its centers.***

1. The "San Pablo-CEU" University of Madrid and each of its centers must remain in operation for at least the period of time that allows students who, with normal academic achievement, have begun their studies there, to complete their studies.
2. In any case, and in the absence of a specific commitment provided for in the rules of organization and operation of the University or in other applicable rules, the minimum time referred to in the preceding paragraph shall be deemed to be the time that

The student's academic record is the result of the application of the rules for the termination of the modified study plans referred to in Article 11.3 of Royal Decree 1497/1987, of November 27, 1987, or the rule that replaces it.

**Article 6. *Inspection.***

1. For the purposes set forth in Article 27.8 of the Constitution, the Ministry of Education and Science shall inspect the compliance of the "San Pablo" University with the following provisions

-The Company is bound by the rules and regulations applicable to it and the obligations it has assumed.

2. The University will collaborate with the competent bodies of said Ministry in the task of inspection, providing the documentation and access to its facilities that, for this exclusive purpose, may be required.

3. The University shall communicate to the Ministry of Education and Science, within the terms and in the manner to be determined by regulation, any variations that may occur in its rules of organization and operation, in its assets and liabilities and in its specific regulations for the granting of scholarships and aid for research and study.

4. If, after the commencement of its activities, the Ministry of Education and Science should find that the University fails to comply with the requirements of the legal system, and in particular with Royal Decree 557/1991, of April 12, 1991, and with the commitments acquired when its recognition was requested, it will require the University to regularize its situation within a given period of time. Once this period has elapsed without the University having complied with the requirement, and after hearing the University and the Council of Universities, the Government will inform the Cortes Generales, for the purpose of its possible revocation.

**Article 7. *Report of activities.***

1. The "San Pablo-CEU" University of Madrid will prepare an annual report on its teaching and research activities.

2. The University will make this Report available to the Cortes Generales, the Ministry of Education and Science and the Council of Universities.

**Single transitory provision. *Process of integration of existing Centers.***

As the "San Pablo-CEU" University of Madrid implements its teachings, the corresponding teachings of the San Pablo University College will be extinguished.  
-CEU, attached to the Complutense University of Madrid.

In any case, students who are studying at Colegio Universitario San Pablo-CEU at the time of the entry into force of this Law and who are affected by the progressive implementation of the teachings at the University, may choose to continue their studies at the University or at the corresponding Center of the Complutense University.

**Sole additional provision. *Expiration of legal recognition.***

The recognition of the University will expire in the event that, four years after the entry into force of the present Law, the authorization for the commencement of the academic activities referred to in article three has not been requested. It shall likewise lapse if the authorization has been denied due to failure to comply with the requirements set forth in the legal system, once the denial has become final.

**First final provision. *Regulatory development.***

The Government and the Minister of Education and Science are hereby authorized to issue, within the scope of their respective powers, the provisions necessary for the application and development of the provisions of this Law.

**Second final provision. *Entry into force.***

This Law shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the "Official Gazette of the State".

Therefore,

I command all Spaniards, individuals and authorities, to keep and enforce this Law.

Madrid, April 19, 1993.

JUAN CARLOS R.

The President of the  
Government, FELIPE  
GONZÁLEZ MÁRQUEZ

**ANNEX**

**CENTERS AND INITIAL TEACHINGS OF THE UNIVERSITY "SAN PAULO-  
-CEU"**

Faculty of Legal Sciences and Administration:

Bachelor's Degree in Law.

Faculty of Economics and Business Administration:

Bachelor's Degrees in Business Administration and Management and in Economics and Diploma in Business Sciences.

Faculty of Experimental and Technical Sciences:

Bachelor's degrees in Food Science and Technology, in Pharmacy and in Chemistry and Computer Engineering.

Faculty of Humanities:

Bachelor's Degrees in Philosophy and Journalism and Diploma in Library and Information Science.