

Meet our neighbors: break the class, race and gender segregation in Sant Joan Despí

The challenge consisted of a theoretical training, where the basic principles of anthropology and ethnography were given, in order to equip students with tools to interact with the residents of Sant Joan Despí. The main aim of the mobility week activities was to create awareness among Sant Joan Despí residents' about the lack of communication between neighborhoods from the city. ECIU students were divided into groups of two and went to three neighborhoods of the city, Les Planes, the Center and the Polígon Residencial Sant Joan. There, they had two objectives:

- Take pictures of aspects that caught their attention: they were visitors from other nationalities that were likely to experience a process of estrangement on urbanistic and everyday aspects. These aspects might feel normal to the residents of Sant Joan Despí.
- They had to ask the neighbors about their daily mobilities with the aim to reflect together on mobility between neighborhoods.

On the second day, keeping the groups of two, they went to another neighborhood, and showed the photos they had taken the day before to see if they knew the places that appeared in the pictures. Once the conversation with the neighbors started, they also asked about daily mobility, and a joint reflection began.

Finally, a meeting was held with the City Council to show the results obtained.