

Summer Study Abroad Program: Salamanca
Program Dates: 2 June – 22 July, 2022
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The Summer Study Abroad Program in Salamanca offers up to twelve credit hours upon completion of the requirements of four courses. Two or three of these four classes are taught by the faculty at Academia Mester in Salamanca. Dr. Tornatore may teach the third course, Culture and Civilization of Spain; for the fourth class, students will take Topics in Hispanic Literature, taught by Dr. José Carreño.

Students have six contact hours of instruction five days a week at Academia Mester in Grammar & Composition, Conversation, and Spanish Culture and Civilization (Dr. Tornatore or Mester), as well as Topics in Spanish Literature, taught by Dr. Carreño. Academia Mester will be in charge of all of the instruction, testing, and final grades for the courses in Grammar & Composition, Conversation, and possible Spanish Culture and Civilization. Six hours may be applied to the major; nine hours may be applied to the minor.

Grammar & Composition and Conversation are offered exclusively in Spanish in separate levels of proficiency equivalent to Truman's. Placement testing is done by Mester. The levels and corresponding courses are:

1) Advance (low and high) levels:

- a. ESP 335 Spanish Grammar and Composition I OR ESP 365 Spanish Grammar and Composition II – Truman (Span 330)
- b. ESP 340 Spanish Conversation I OR ESP 345 Spanish Conversation II – Truman (Span 340)

2) Superior level:

- a. ESP 395 Advanced Spanish Conversation – Truman (Span 300-elective)
- b. ESP 450 Advanced Spanish Grammar and Composition – Truman (Span 450)

3) All students will take ESP 362 Culture and Civilization of Spain, which substitutes the Truman course (SPAN 362 Civilization of Spain). To supplement the lecture course taught by Dr. Tornatore or Academia Mester, the students will need to write a report for each lecture (Portafolio) and visit cultural venues in Salamanca.

4) Students will take a fourth course taught by Truman faculty (Dr. Carreño). ESP 355 Topics of Hispanic Literature- Substitutes (SPAN 353) for minors only. This course is an introduction to literary analysis, and an overview of significant figures in the literature of Spain. For this class, students will read representative works from the various genres of Hispanic literature for class discussion in Spanish and use literary analysis skills. Style, content, literary period and genre will be emphasized.

Students participate in the native culture daily by living with a host family, by taking educational field trips to various parts of the country (Madrid, Toledo, Astorga, León, Sierra de Francia, and Andalucía, including three different day trips on the weekend, plus at least six local cultural visits), and by taking part in many other group activities in Salamanca.

The total number of contact hours that students have while in Spain is two hundred ten (210) classroom hours, eighty-plus (80+) additional hours of instructional touring, and approximately forty-plus (40+) additional hours of free time on tour.

Additional budget summary

Below are the specific items included in the price. Costs are per person. (If there are fewer than 10 students then some services may be reduced, depending on the cost per person vs the group cost.)

Tuition

Tours: 6 nights / 7 days of tours, including 2 nights each for hotels in Madrid, Granada-Sevilla and Almuñeca beach.

Same-day tours to Avila and Segovia, León and Astorga, and Sierra de Francia (host families will provide a packed lunch).

Ground transportation from city to city and some within each city between activities.

Tickets to enter monuments and museums (see list below), flamenco show.

Mandatory insurance.

Monuments and Museums

Madrid: Royal Palace

Toledo: Cathedral, Sinagogue, Church of Santo Tomé

Seville: Cathedral, Reales Alcázares

Granada: Alhambra Palace

Mérida: Roman Circus, Amphitheater

Granada: Mezquita (mosque)