

Foundations of Christian Culture: Spain

May 29 - June 12, 2012

A Catholic Studies Study Abroad Programme
with support from the Center for Catholic Studies and the G. K. Chesterton Institute



Earn 3 credits learning the history and culture of Spain

HIST4282 SP; CAST 4290 SP; THEO 4290 AA; CORE 3101

Instructor: Professor Dermot A. Quinn, History Department

Course Information:

This course examines the foundations of Christian culture in Spain, looking in particular at the Spanish Catholic experience from the Middle Ages through the Renaissance to the Age of Baroque in the 17th and 18th centuries. Its aim is to explore the relationship between religion and culture, asking how religion may help us understand history and how religion, in turn, may help us understand history, both realities being inter-dependent and mutually reinforcing. Exploring the lives and reading the works of the great figures of Spanish Catholicism, the course hopes to provide students with a deeper understanding of the spiritual riches of one of the great Catholic cultures of the world, concentrating especially on the writings of St. Ignatius of Loyola, Saint Teresa of Ávila, and Saint John of the Cross. In addition, students will visit many of the great sites of catholic Spain and, in that way, be able to experience for themselves some of the cultural riches of Spanish history and religion over the past five centuries. It is hoped that at the end of the course students will have had an experience at once intellectually challenging, academically rigorous, and spiritually enriching.

Three preliminary and mandatory lectures will be given at Seton Hall, the course itself will be conducted entirely in Spain. Flying to Madrid, students will travel to Toledo, Burgos, Astorga, León, Santiago de Compostela, Salamanca and other towns that have played an important role in Catholic Spain. Classes will take place *in situ*. Course is available for HIST graduate credit.

Highlights:

- *See the great cathedrals and churches of one of the most important centers of religious life in the world
- *Explore the lives of St. Theresa of Ávila, St. Ignatius Loyola and Saint John of the Cross
- * Walk part (a small part!) of the pilgrim route to Santiago de Compostela
- * **Course qualifies for a 25% study abroad discount**

Cost:

- * **\$3,600 p/person, includes r/t airfare, accommodations, transfers, visits, 2 meals per day.**
- * **Not included:** *Tuition *Travel insurance



For information and to apply please contact:
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DEADLINE TO APPLY: MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2012

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APPLICATION PROCEDURE

The Center for Catholic Studies and the G. K. Chesterton Institute for Faith & Culture are sponsoring a three-credit study abroad course, *The Foundations of Christian Culture: Spain*. The course requirements include: three preliminary and mandatory lectures at Seton hall. The course itself will be conducted entirely in Spain visiting Madrid, Toledo, Burgos, Astorga, Leon, Santiago de Compostela, Salamanca and other towns that have played an important role in Catholic Spain. Classes will take place in situ. Course is available for HIST graduate credit. The course is cross listed for credit in Catholic Studies, History, theology and Core.

Foundations of Christian Culture (England, Italy, Spain) Study Abroad Course/trips have been developed by the Center for Catholic Studies, and often co-sponsored with other academic departments, to offer students the opportunity to explore first-hand the interaction of Catholicism with various disciplines and cultures throughout the world. Courses are offered in the academic year, as well as summer terms, and are cross-listed to offer students wide options for credits earned. Scholarship support is offered for qualifying students. For more information, please visit www.shu.edu/academics/artsci/catholic-studies

Applications are currently being accepted until the course is filled. The program is open to all; priority will be given to Seton Hall students. Enrollment is limited (15). There is a brief application process for all interested in attending the program. *Costs: \$3600 per person includes airfare, transport, room (based on double occupancy) and full board (2 meals per day) and most excursions. Tuition is included in Spring 2011 course registration tuition fees. Credit at outside universities to be arranged with students' academic departments. Enrollment preferred by March 19, 2012. For accepted students, \$1,000 deposit due by April 1, 2012. Payment in full is required prior to travel.*

PLEASE NOTE ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT: In addition to filling out the necessary personal information below, please submit a one-page essay explaining why you wish to participate and what you hope to gain from your experience in the course.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

First and Last Names: _____
Student ID No. _____ Year _____ GPA _____
Major: _____ Minor _____ Second Major/Minor _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Cell: _____ E-mail: _____
Emergency Contact Information: _____

Please return all materials, preferably as an e-mail attachment, to Dr. Dermot Quinn: Dermot.quinn@shu.edu in the History Department.