SUMMER 2018 STUDY ABROAD

SPAIN
Alicante, Spain
June 18, 2018 - July 20, 2018
6 Undergraduate Credits: SPAN 2701/3701 + Course at University of Alicante
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There is no language prerequisite to participate in this program. Any level will satisfy the foreign language requirement for the College of Arts and Sciences, Nursing, Business, or be applied toward Diplomacy’s language requirements. Credits can also be applied toward a minor or a major in Spanish.

This is a 6 credit Spanish language and culture immersion program for Elementary, Intermediate, and Advanced students. All students, in each of the three levels, will take two 3-credit courses, one taught by Dr. Daniel Zalacaín, Professor of Spanish at Seton Hall University, and the other one by a distinguished professor from the University of Alicante.

Seton Hall course (3 credits):
Dr. Daniel Zalacaín will advise and place the students in either SPAN 2701SP, Study Abroad Alicante, for Levels I and II or in SPAN 3701SP, Study Abroad Alicante, for Level III. Students will register online for one of these Seton Hall courses, as it is normally done for the June summer session, at the time of Summer pre-registration or in early May. This course carries a letter grade, and it does impact the student’s GPA.

University of Alicante course (3 credits)
Students will register for the University of Alicante course in Dr. Zalacaín’s office (Fahy 230) during the first two weeks of April. During this time, all the forms will be completed, including course equivalences. The three credits from the Universidad de Alicante will be automatically transferred to Seton Hall once the program concludes, provided the student receives a grade of C or higher. This is a Pass/Fail course and this grade does not affect the student’s GPA. The Seton Hall transcript will clearly identify the 3 credits from the Universidad de Alicante and its SHU equivalency.
Preference will be given to Seton Hall university students who have a minimum overall 2.5 GPA average. If space is available, students from other universities are welcomed to apply. For the beginners’ course sequence it is recommended, although not a requirement, that participants have had some contact with Spanish, either in High School or in College, with friends or family, by traveling, or at work.
Prof. Zalacaín will place the student in one of the following two levels according to his/her Spanish language proficiency:
LEVEL III - ADVANCED COURSE SEQUENCE (6 credits)

SPAN 3701 SP - Study Abroad Alicante, Spain III (3 credits)

Instructor: Dr. Zalacaín
In this course students study and discuss selected works of Spanish writer Federico García Lorca, and will discuss different aspects of the culture and history of Spain, reinforced by visits to the cities, museums and historical landmarks.

SPAN 0000 – U. of Alicante Level III Avanzado - Topics of Spanish Culture (3 credits)
Instructor: A professor from the Universidad de Alicante
In this course students discuss issues of current interest to the study of Spanish culture.

All courses are conducted in Spanish

Host Institution
The University of Alicante has one of Spain’s most modern campuses. Although the university was chartered centuries ago, the new campus, on a former military airport, was started to be built in the 1980’s. The beautiful campus is basically a botanical garden, having every variety of tree and plant grown in the province of Alicante. Established to serve the higher education needs of the province of Alicante in the southeast of the Spanish Mediterranean Rim, the university has colleges of sciences, philosophy and letters, law, economics, business, architecture, tourism, nursing, and education. The University of Alicante offers its 30,000 students the benefits of a modern campus complete with Mediterranean-style buildings. During the summer, the university serves as host to a number of study abroad programs from different countries through the Centro Superior de Idiomas (Higher Learning Language Center). The Universidad de Alicante will issue all Seton Hall Students an ID card so that they will be able to use its library, computer labs, sport and medical facilities.

Orientation
In South Orange
There will be individual and group orientation sessions before departure. Each participant will make an appointment with Dr. Zalacaín to: a) discuss placement, b) complete all the required forms, and c) discuss program objectives. All participants are required to attend a group orientation session, parents are invited and welcomed to attend.

In Alicante
Upon arriving in Alicante, staff from the host institution will hold an orientation session on campus, which introduces students to the country, the culture and the academic program, and provides practical information about living in Spain. A range of topics, including housing and family life, cultural differences, academics and academic policies are covered. This session seeks to inform students of issues relevant to their study experience and helps students make a gradual transition to Spanish life. At the end of the orientation, students meet their host families and then move into their homes to begin their immersion and integration into Spanish society. Orientation is maintained on an individual basis throughout the program. Students always will have access to the Program Director, Dr. Zalacaín, who will give to all participants his telephone number and his centrally located hotel address in Alicante. Students are encouraged to call their families in the U.S. often and to provide them with Dr. Zalacaín’s telephone number as well as their host family number, so that they can contact them if needed.

Housing and Meals
Students live in Spanish-speaking homes (which are normally apartments) and all meals are taken at the place of residence. Every effort is made to place participants in homes where English is not spoken. Living in Spanish homes is considered the best housing arrangement for students who are first introduced to the culture because of its practicality and its contribution to the program’s academic objectives. Two participants (and in a few cases three) are housed in each home.
Roommates are selected before departure. Housing is located in the city center of the Alicante metropolitan area with access to public transportation, and not very far from each other.

E-mail
There are computer labs and WIFI throughout the Universidad de Alicante. Students are encouraged to bring to Spain their laptops, iPads, or mobile phones. Most homes have WIFI as well.

Cultural Activities and Excursions
Supplementing the academic program are visits to Madrid, Toledo, Granada, and Barcelona. In Madrid, students will have a panoramic tour of the city, and will visit the famous Prado Museum, where they will personally admire the masterpieces of Goya, Velazquez, Murillo, El Greco, and Zurbarán, among hundreds of other painters. In the museum of the Reina Sofia, students will admire the most famous painting of the 20th Century, Picasso’s Guernica, as well as many other masterpieces by Spanish Modern painters like Salvador Dalí, Joan Miró, and Juan Gris. Also, there will be visits to the splendid Royal Palace and the nearby city of Toledo, site of its famous cathedral, the most important one in Spain. In Granada, the last stronghold of the Arab domination of the Iberian Peninsula, students will visit one of the man-made wonders of the world, the Alhambra, the impressive cathedral with its Royal Chapel—the burial site of Queen Isabella and King Fernando—the monastery of La Cartuja—one of the best samples of the Spanish Baroque—, as well as the town of Purullena, where most homes are built as caves. In Barcelona, visits will include the architectural masterpieces of Spanish architect Gaudí, the basilica of La Sagrada Familia, Güel’s park, and Bodegas Torres, one of Spain’s largest wineries.

The calendar in Alicante is fuller than usual as far as festivities are concerned. The most important of these are undoubtedly what Alicanteans call Les Fogueres de Sat Joan (Las Hogueras de San Juan), held at the end of June. This is the time of the year during which Alicante becomes completely transformed. Dozens of monuments made of wood and papier-mâché are assembled in the streets throughout the city. Humor, satire and criticism of daily life bring many a smile to the faces of spectators. On the night of 24 June, after a shattering palmera or fireworks display, all monuments are summarily consumed by the flames. These festivities feature colorful processions, fantastic fireworks and reveling in the popular barracas, makeshift fiesta houses constituting the center of attraction for local and visitors alike, with live outdoor music and dancing every night, and daily bullfights. The Feast of San Pedro follows, with fireworks at Postiguet beach every night until June 29th.

Items Included in the Program
- Roundtrip Airfare: From New York JFK on IBERIA Airlines to Madrid Barajas International Airport; and from Madrid Barajas International Airport to Alicante International Airport
- Airport transfers in Alicante
- Lunch upon arrival at the Universidad de Alicante, and orientation session
- Group dinner at a local “tapa” restaurant upon arrival in Alicante.
- Entrance to a Bullfight (Corrida de toros) in Alicante
- Daily transportation by private bus to and from the Universidad de Alicante campus
- Books for both courses
- Room and board with a host family – 3 daily meals
- Laundry service by the host family
Program Costs to Student in Addition to SHU Tuition:

Travel: $1,350 (airfare NYC to Madrid, and Madrid to Alicante, round trip)

Local Travel: $1,390

- 3-day excursion to Madrid and Toledo. Two nights in a *** hotel, three meals included. Official licensed guides to all visits. All entrance fees included. Extended visits to the Prado Museum, Reina Sofía museum, the Royal Palace, panoramic tour of the city, visit to Santiago Bernabeu football stadium, the Cathedral of Toledo, Santo Tomé church to view El Greco’s painting *The Burial of Count Orgaz*, historic synagogue Santa María la Blanca.

- 3-day excursion to Granada. Two nights in a **** hotel, two meals included. Official licensed guides to all places. All entrance fees included. Extended visits to the Alhambra, the Granada Cathedral, the Cartuja Monastery, the Royal Chapel; attendance to a flamenco show at the Gypsy caves in Sacromonte, and visit to a cave home in the town of Purullena.

- 3-day excursion to Barcelona. Two nights in a *** or **** hotel, two meals included. Official licensed guides to all places. All entrance fees included. Extended visits to la Sagrada Familia basilica, the Olympic village, the Parque Güell, and other Modernist buildings by Gaudi, the Picasso Museum, panoramic tour of the city, Roman ruins in Tarragona, tour of Torres Winery in Penedés.

Lodging and meals: $1,250

(home stay, includes three meals a day and laundry for the entire length of the program)

University of Alicante tuition:

$1,120 - 3 credits (private course for SHU students)

Other: $540

(Daily private coach transportation to and from the University of Alicante campus, airport transfers in Madrid and in Alicante, fee from the University of Alicante (use of gym, library, medical services, textbooks for the UA courses, WIFI, classroom use for the SHU course, IT support, and social activities)

Portion of instructor travel costs: $255

TOTAL: $5,905

Programming Information:

- **40 hours**: 3-credit course from the Universidad de Alicante, U of Alicante staff.
- **6 hours**: tour of Alicante, attendance and explanation to Corrida de Toros (Bull Fight) SHU professor.
- **90 hours**: Tours of Madrid, Toledo, Granada, Purullena, Barcelona, Tarragona, Bodegas Torres, etc., conducted by Viajes Azor, the U of Alicante travel agency, and SHU professor.
- **40 hours of class instruction**, SHU professor.
- **40 hours of class preparation** and grading for Span 2701 and Span 3701, SHU professor.
- **40 hours of program preparation** (personal interviews, advising, completion of forms, follow ups), SHU professor.
Two days in Madrid upon arrival in Spain:

Airport transfers in Madrid

Two-days in a centrally located *** hotel in Madrid, double occupancy, breakfast included

Panoramic guided bus tour of Madrid

Guided visit to Madrid’s famous Prado Museum

Guided visit to Madrid’s fabulous modern art museum: Reina Sofia

Guided visit to the impressive Madrid’s Royal Palace

Group dinner in Madrid

One-half day guided visit to the city of Toledo: includes visits to the Cathedral, Santa María la Blanca Synagogue, and the site of El Greco’s famous painting *The Burial of Conde Orgaz*

Group lunch in Toledo

Two days in Granada, Andalucía:

Bus transportation from Alicante with guide

Two nights at a **** hotel w/ breakfast

Guided visit to the amazing Alhambra and Generalife

Guided visit to the Royal Chapel (the burial site of King Fernando, Queen Isabella, Juana la Loca & Phillip “The Handsome,” of Austria)

Guided visit to the Cathedral of Granada

Visit to the Cartuja monastery

Entrance to a flamenco show (*zambra gitana*) at *Cueva del Rocío*, one of the gypsy caves of Sacromonte

Visit to a cave home in the cave town of Purullena

Two days in Barcelona, Cataluña:

Bus transportation from Alicante with guide

Two nights at a *** or ****hotel w/ breakfast

Guided panoramic tour of the city

Guided visit to Parque Güel, by Gaudí

Guided visit to the basilica of La Sagrada Familia, by Gaudí

Guided visit to the Gothic Cathedral

Guided visit to the Olympic Village ’92

Visit to Picasso Museum (optional)

Visit to one of Spain’s main wineries, Bodegas Torres

Visit the historical city of Tarragona, former capital of the Roman province of Hispania, the Roman amphitheater
Basis for SHU grade in the course:

- Participation in all of the excursions, class activities, and visits to museums and monuments.
- Daily class attendance and quality class participation.
- Final exam