



2011 JANUARY TERM ABROAD

Spanish Oral Expression and Culture in Southern Spain

January 2-26, 2011

Itinerary

Twin Cities Departure	01/02
Seville Arrival	01/03
Seville/Granada	01/14
Granada/Seville	01/15
Seville/Twin Cities	01/26

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Price: \$4,895 - 5,195*

Put your Spanish to work in real-life situations. Earn academic credit, live with a Spanish family, and visit cultural and historical sites. Spend January 2011 in Seville, in the south of sunny Spain. Improve your language skills as you use them to immerse yourself in Spanish culture and history. Our objective is to offer students more intense exposure to the language and culture of Spain, beyond the traditional classroom experience.

The Center for Cross-Cultural Studies in Seville is our home base for language instruction and home stays with Spanish families. Students enroll for credit in Spanish Oral Expression and Culture in Southern Spain. The combination of cultural immersion, classroom instruction, native interviews, and family home stays provides participants with a unique language learning experience.

January-term in Seville offers you an unforgettable home-stay experience, intensive language instruction at an accredited Language and Cultural Institute, and a marvelous opportunity to fully immerse yourself in the rich legacy of the Arabic and Christian influences that forged contemporary Spanish culture. Several walking tours and day trips to near-by points of interest (Ronda, Itálica, museums, Jewish Quarter, Catedral, Alcázar) help round out your experience of the many influences that come together to shape modern Spain. Weekend excursions to Córdoba (Great Mosque/Jewish Quarter) and Granada (Catedral, Alhambra, and Generalife Gardens) further highlight and reveal the blending of Moslem, Jewish and Christian cultures, past and present.

Span 212: Intermediate Spanish II

A continuation of Span 211 (Intermediate Spanish I). Emphasis on Hispanic culture, conversation, writing, and expansion of vocabulary based on thematic discussions and cultural readings.

Span 305: Spanish Oral Expression and Culture

Development of aural and oral skills through the analysis and interpretation of representative cultural expressions of the Spanish-speaking world. The course is intended to stimulate creative, critical thinking in Spanish through activities that require students to argue, persuade, analyze and interpret other points of view.

Span 320: Business Spanish

Practice in the language skills and vocabulary needed to conduct business in the Hispanic world. The course includes an overview of political, economic, social and cultural factors which affect business in Hispanic cultures.

Comprehensive Fee Includes: Transportation and course arrangements as indicated; hotel accommodations in twin and triple rooms (first night Seville, one night Granada); host family accommodations in double room; three meals daily starting with dinner January 3; high-speed internet access. (subject to change)

Prerequisites: For Intermediate Spanish II (Span 212 at UST), prerequisite is Span 211 or the equivalent to a third semester Spanish. For Spanish Oral Expression and Culture (Spanish 305 at UST) and Business Spanish (Span 320 at UST), prerequisite is Span 300 or the equivalent to a fifth semester course in advanced Spanish grammar. All the courses require a cumulative GPA of 3.0, as well as a 3.0 GPA in all previous Spanish classes.

Required Readings:

Span 212: Bacon, Susan M, Dulce M García and Eduardo Zayas-Bazán. *Conexiones: Comunicación y Cultura* 4th ed. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson- Prentice Hall, 2010.

Span 305: Díaz, Andres, Dennis L. Hale and Nino R. Iorillo. *Conversación y controversia: Tópicos de Hoy y de Siempre*. 5th ed. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson- Prentice Hall, 2004.

Span 320: Noriega Fernández, Alfredo and Prost, Gisèle. *Al día. Curso superior de español para los negocios*. Madrid, España: Editorial Espasa Calpe, 2003.

Evaluation:

Participation	15%
Writing	25%
Cultural Sessions/Oral Expression/Academic Journal	40%
Final Examination	20%

*Each home institution may have supplementary fees in addition to the price listed.

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RULES AND PROCEDURES

NEW ORIENTATION PROCESS. SEE COURSE ORIENTATION SECTION BELOW.

Since 1964, UMAIE has offered unique opportunities for cross-cultural study during January Term and starting in 2005, May/June Term. UMAIE, a consortium of colleges and universities, cooperates to provide the educational depth and resources necessary for an intercultural curriculum.

This year UMAIE offers courses in many locations around the world including: The Americas (North), Europe (Western, Central, Eastern, Northern and Southern), India, South Africa and Turkey.

APPLICATION AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTS — Applications and required documents are available via the UMAIE website (www.umaie.org). Applications are accepted between **April 16 - October 4, 2010**. When applying for a course, please submit the following to your campus UMAIE Board Member:

- Three copies of your completed application.
- One copy of your valid passport photo & signature page OR if you do not have a passport, a copy of your passport application. (Actual submittal of your passport application to a passport agency is not required until acceptance into a course. Please visit <http://travel.state.gov/passport/>.)
- One copy of your January Term Abroad Agreement.
- One copy of your unofficial transcript.
- One deposit check in the amount of **\$400** made payable to **Seminars International, Inc.** (All checks will be cashed upon receipt. Returned checks will be assessed a service charge of **\$50**.)

*UST students please see your study abroad website (www.stthomas.edu/studyabroad) for application procedures.

No application will be considered without **ALL** the required signed documents, copies and deposit as listed above. If you have any questions please contact your campus UMAIE Board Member.

SELECTION PROCESS FOR APPLICANTS — Faculty Directors will review and screen each application to ensure all prerequisites are met, and that equal access is given to students from all consortium schools. **For applications received by April 16th, the UMAIE Secretariat will notify each participant via e-mail by May 7, 2010**, to inform if applicant is: 1) accepted into the course; 2) on a waiting list; 3) not accepted into the course. Please be aware that if you are placed on a waiting list, your deposit check will still be cashed upon receipt. In the event a course is filled or cancelled due to low enrollment, students are contacted regarding a second choice. Students who choose not to transfer to another course will receive a full refund. **LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

PASSPORTS, VISAS AND IMMUNIZATIONS — All applicants must send a copy of a valid and signed passport to their campus UMAIE Board Member upon acceptance into a UMAIE course (if one was not turned in with application). **Passports must be valid at least six (6) months beyond your return date.**

If your course requires a visa it will be stated in the course description. A country specific visa application will be sent to you 1-2 months prior to departure.

Information regarding recommended and/or needed immunizations can be found at the CDC website: www.cdc.gov/travel/. If you are traveling to a destination that requires an immunization, the UMAIE Secretariat will inform you in a timely manner. Additional information regarding passports, visas and immunizations is available from your campus UMAIE Board Member.

COMPREHENSIVE FEE — Per person course prices are based on a minimum enrollment for each course. Every effort is made to operate the program at the stated price range. However, if fewer students enroll, costs may be increased or the course cancelled. **NOTE:** UMAIE reserves the right to adjust prices due to dollar devaluation, fuel surcharges and general inflation.

The comprehensive fee includes round-trip air transportation from Minneapolis-St. Paul to the course location; airport transfers; visas (where required for U.S. citizens who meet the visa application deadline and have the correct accompanying documentation); transportation to most course activities while abroad; lodging, primarily in twin or triple rooms in hotels, pensions, university dormitories, or family homes (where indicated); continental

breakfast daily (exceptions noted on individual course descriptions) and other meals as indicated; tickets for required cultural performances; planned excursions; and administrative costs (however, individual institutions may assess additional charges). **When rail passes or entrance fees are included, they are based on the utilization of youth rates (25 years or under), and a valid University ID will be required to be presented at the entrance. Any additional amount incurred will be the participant's responsibility.**

EXCLUSIONS — Personal expenses are the responsibility of each individual participant. Examples include but are not limited to: passport fees; airline checked baggage fees; excess baggage fees; local public transportation; departure taxes (except U.S.); optional entertainment and excursions; beverages, including those available at group meals; individual room service charges; travel insurance; porter's fees; laundry and dry cleaning; telephone and fax; personal gratuities; transportation to and from the course departure city.

FINAL PAYMENT — Accepted applicants are notified of the final price during the last week of October. Students at Gustavus Adolphus College will bring their final payment to their International Education Office on or before Monday, November 1. Students from Elmhurst College will bring their final payment to their Student Accounts Office before Monday, November 1. Students from all other institutions will have their fees billed to their student account.

WITHDRAWALS AND REFUNDS

- No cancellation fee for students withdrawing on or before **September 15, 2010**.
- A **\$400** cancellation fee is withheld for students who withdraw between **September 16 and November 1, 2010**.
- A refund for cancellations occurring after **November 1, 2010** is based upon recoverable costs. The **ENTIRE COURSE COST** may be forfeited.
- **If cancellation occurs 30 days or less prior to departure, there will be no refund. Trip cancellation insurance is recommended for students with pre-existing medical conditions.** This insurance must be purchased at the time of registration. Please discuss this with your UMAIE Campus Board Member.
- If a course price increases by more than 6% (due to general inflation or lower enrollment) a student may cancel without penalty.
- No refund is given to students who wish to omit portions of the course.
- **NOTICE OF CANCELLATION MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO YOUR CAMPUS UMAIE BOARD MEMBER.**

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS — are secured by Seminars International, Inc., 33 West Monroe Street, Suite 1160, Chicago, IL 60603-5303, (800) 541-7506, TRAVEL@semint.com. Applications are processed by the Minnesota office, 21530 Vernon Avenue, Prior Lake, MN 55372, (952) 440-1338, kathy@semint.com. Participants desiring additional information may contact Seminars International Inc., or visit their website - www.semint.com.

COURSE ORIENTATION — will include an on-line exam during the month of October; a webinar on-line meeting in November and an in-country orientation session upon arrival at your first destination. **PARTICIPATION IS MANDATORY.**

DEVIATIONS — Course prices are based on group air arrangements. The air carrier may assess a service fee for individual changes. Not all airlines allow deviations on group reservations. In addition to the airline service fee(s), an additional fee must be paid to Seminars International, Inc. as follows: before **October 4, 2010 the charge is \$75; from October 5, 2010 until November 1, 2010 the charge is \$125. After November 1, 2010, no deviations will be accepted.** Deviation requests must be made in writing to the Chicago Seminars International office via fax (312) 332-5509 or email TRAVEL@semint.com. Once the deviation has been booked, any changes may incur additional costs. Students who deviate are responsible for providing their own transportation to or from the actual course location abroad.

Faculty Directors are not expected to provide assistance. Students from Augustana College and Elmhurst College will receive further information on possible connecting flights upon acceptance.

UMAIE MAY CANCEL COURSES DUE TO:

- Low enrollment
- Faculty withdrawal
- Travel warnings issued by the U.S. Department of State

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