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IMPROVE YOUR SPANISH

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## INMERSIÓN

LEARN ABOUT SPANISH CULTURE

### AVENTURAS

AN ADVENTURE AROUND EVERY CORNER







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EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME



### **ABOUT**

Discover Spanish culture by living it! With Semester In Spain, you will live with a Spanish family, take classes with native professors, and learn through excursions and service in the beautiful city of Seville.

### WHAT

When you participate in SIS, you'll discover cathedrals and other centuries-old landmarks. You'll eat tapas and take siestas. You'll be amazed by fútbol mania and Semana Santa celebrations. You'll build lasting friendships with your Spanish family members and your professors. You'll watch flamenco dancers and listen to talented musicians. You'll take tours of art museums and bullrings. You'll travel to other historic Spanish cities and, if you choose, other countries.

### WHEN

Our program is offered in terms, just like any other school.

- Fall: 16 weeks, late August through mid-December
- Spring: 16 weeks, mid-January through early May
- 2 Summer Terms: 4 weeks each, mid-May through mid-June and mid-June through mid-July. Many students stay for both summer terms.

### **LOCATION**

Seville is still somewhat of a secret. As a smaller city in the south of Spain, Seville encompasses all that is authentically Spanish. Classes are taught at TCCSevilla, the SIS school in the heart of the city. Your classmates will come from all over the U.S., with a majority coming from small Christian colleges.

### HISTORY

We can hardly believe it has been almost 40 years since SIS opened its doors in 1978! Since then, we have welcomed over 3,000 students from more than 250 colleges and universities.

### **HOMESTAY**

Say goodbye to dorm room bunks and cafeteria food! One of the best and most important aspects of SIS is the homestay experience. Living with Spanish hosts will give you the opportunity to immerse yourself in Spanish culture, speak Spanish regularly outside of class, eat delicious homemade Spanish cuisine, and build relationships with local Spaniards.

### **FAITH OPPORTUNITIES**

Join your peers at Encuentro, SIS's praise and worship night every Wednesday! You'll enjoy singing and conversing with your new friends while delving into the Word of Dios.

Most Protestant congregations in Spain are small, but the members are warm and welcoming. Our Student Ministries Coordinator is happy to help you find a church when you arrive.

There are plenty of opportunities to participate in prayer groups and service projects throughout your stay, too!

### **ACADEMICS**

Students will enroll in beginner, intermediate, or advanced level Spanish courses while abroad. This allows for students at varying Spanish levels to learn the language and culture together. All SIS professors are native Spaniards who graduated from major universities in Spain with advanced degrees in Spanish studies. The beauty of studying Spanish in Spain is that everything you learn in the classroom is applicable to life the moment you walk out of class each day!

### DAILY LIFE IN SEVILLE

Classes are held in the morning, followed by lunch as the main meal of the day back at the homestay. Students might enjoy resting or doing homework during siesta to free up their evening to grab a cup of coffee or a glass of fresh squeezed orange juice at a local café. You could find a park to enjoy the weather, go shopping, or perhaps join a church youth group.

At nighttime, you can get together with friends for delicious tapas (small plates) at a restaurant or eat with your host family. You can then head to a Flamenco bar with live music, bright costumes, and traditional Sevillanas dancing!

### **INTERCAMBIOS**

An intercambio is a Spanish language partner who is eager to share stories about the Spanish way of life, the city, and the culture. Chances are good that he or she will be equally excited to hear about life in the U.S. and to practice speaking English while you practice speaking Spanish. Consider your intercambio a built-in-friend!

### PLACEMENT AND LEVELS

We offer beginner, intermediate, and advanced courses based on your level of Spanish proficiency.

### **EXCURSIONS**

Throughout the semester, you'll delight in several excursions with your classmates and professors that are just as much about seeing amazing sights as they are about learning.

### SERVICE LEARNING

One of the best ways to learn Spanish language and culture is to interact with local Spaniards while serving them. Acción Solidaria, SIS's service-learning course, places advanced students in a working relationship with some of Seville's most overlooked people.

### **INTERNSHIPS**

Semester In Spain offers a 2-credit, 80-hour internship after the completion of the Spring or Summer Term 1. Spring semester students who complete two advanced level courses may choose to take a 4-week internship after the end of the spring term, and Summer Term 1 students who complete one advanced course may continue with an internship during Term 2. The student specifies the type of internship, and the SIS staff will find a placement within their preferred professional field.

### **COSTS AND FINANCIAL AID**

You can find info about the cost of the program, additional expenses, and financial aid on the SIS website.

### REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION

All you need to do is either 1) complete the short online application or 2) complete the paper application included in this viewbook and send it to the U.S. office.



You can learn more about the program at SemesterInSpain.org



### APPLICATION DEADLINES

- Fall Semester: April 20
- Spring Semester: October 10
- Summer Term(s): March 30

Late applications will only be accepted if time and space permit.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

To be admitted into the SIS program, a student must:

- Be a high school graduate
- Be in good mental health
- Be in good standing at his/her home school
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5
- Provide official transcripts

### **TUITION AND FEES**

Visit the SIS website for current tuition, fees, and financial aid info. Fees include: room and board, books, all excursions, sim card or cell phone, insurance, laundry, and internet access.

Group airfare for fall and spring terms is available for a separate fee. Students should plan ahead for personal expenses, traveling, entertainment, souvenirs, etc.

### LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

Students live in homestays arranged by SIS. You will be asked to note your preferences regarding roommates, diet, and special needs prior to departure.

### **ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

Semester In Spain is a program of Trinity Christian College, in Palos Heights, Illinois. Trinity is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

Each course carries 4 semester credits, unless otherwise indicated. Check with your college to be certain that the courses you plan to take will be accepted.

### FALL AND SPRING SEMESTER COURSES

Beginning

101 Beginning Spanish I 102 Beginning Spanish II 201 Intermediate Spanish I 202 Intermediate Spanish II

### Intermediate

- 251 Intermediate Spanish Grammar & Composition I
- 252 Intermediate
  Spanish Grammar &
  Composition II
- 301 Advanced Grammar & Conversation
- 303 Selected Readings in Spanish Literature

### Advanced

304 Spanish Short Story 306 History of Spanish Art 307 Modern Spanish

Culture (1 credit)
311 History & Civilization

312 The Spain of Three Cultures

351 Advanced Grammar & Composition

355 Spanish Literature I (Fall)

356 Spanish Literature II (Spring)

366 Spanish American Literature II

401 Comunicación Avanzada

402 Don Quijote de la Mancha (Spring)

403 La Generación del 98 (Spring)

404 El Siglo de Oro (Spring)

405 La Narrativa en el Siglo de Oro: Novela Picaresca y Cervantes (Fall)

406 Romanticismo (Fall)

407 Teatro del Siglo XX (Fall)

408 La Historia de España en el Siglo XX

425 Internship (Spring, 2 credits)

450 Acción Solidaria (Service Learning, 2 credits)

399 and 499 Independent Study

### **SUMMER COURSES**

Term 1

201 Intermediate Spanish I \*

307 Modern Spanish Culture: Topics (2 credits)

312 The Spain of Three Cultures

325 Literature & Legends of Seville Made Alive I

351 Advanced Grammar & Composition

### Term 2

202 Intermediate Spanish II\*

307 Modern Spanish Culture: Topics (2 credits)

322 Survey of Art, Culture, & Religion in the Golden Age

326 Literature & Legends of Seville Made Alive II

401 Comunicación Avanzada

425 Internship (After completing Term 1, 2 credits)

\*Students interested in Intermediate Spanish in the summer are encouraged to participate in both terms.

Visit **SemesterInSpain.org** to learn more.

### **APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION**



1 COMPLETE THE APPLICATION

Additional applications can be downloaded from our website: **SemesterInSpain.org** 

DAYTIME PHONE

EVENING/MOBILE

E-MAIL ADDRESS

PROVIDE TRANSCRIPTS

Send in transcripts from all colleges you have attended. If you have earned less than 12 credit hours, submit a copy of your high school transcript as well. (May be sent separately)

PERSONAL INFORMATION GENDER: | MALE | FEMALE | MARITAL STATUS: | SINGLE | MARRIED

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APPLICATION FEE \$50 Check or Money Order (Payable to:

Semester In Spain). The application fee is non-refundable.

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SEND TO:

**Semester In Spain** Trinity Christian College

6601 West College Drive Palos Heights, IL 60463

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"As a beginner, I thought my homestay would be the most difficult, but it has turned out to be the most important part of my semester. I can say that I really have TWO professors: my teacher at school and my señora at home. Talking and spending time with my señora is one of my favorite parts of Sevilla and is the best way I've improved my Spanish. The homestay is so important to the Spain experience. And beyond that, I didn't just get another professor, I got another mom."

-ANNA, Trinity Christian College

"I really liked how the excursions connected to what I was learning in my classes. Spain has a lot of history, and going out and visiting places was the best way to learn it."

-OLIVIA, Northwestern College

"It was fun to participate in things like cooking class and flamenco to get to experience more of the Spanish culture than we would otherwise."

-LINDSEY Wheaton College

"One of the experiences that was very special to me was my Accion Solidaria (service learning). I was able to not only get to know two wonderful ladies, but also become part of their family. My time spent with them was a privilege, and I hope to maintain in contact with them."

-IAN, Dordt College

"My intercambio is one of the best things from my experience in Spain.

Being able to see Spain through the eyes of a young Spaniard is priceless, and doing so while making lifelong friendships is even better."

-KATIE, Cornerstone University

"There is no better way to learn a language than to immerse yourself in it, and there is no better way to grow as an individual than to step out of your comfort zone and allow yourself to encounter the lives of people whose history and culture are different from your own."

-ANNA, Asbury University

"For me, the best experience was getting to travel and see the world all while improving my Spanish."

**-TUCKER**, University of Northwestern St. Paul

"It's not just a school with professors and classes. It's a group of people that really care for students, not just intellectually, but as a whole person: mentally, physically, emotionally, and spiritually."

-KATIE, Eastern University

"I would say that a piece of my heart will always be in Sevilla, but I think it is more accurate to say that my heart's rhythm has been changed: it beats stronger and deeper, slower and truer."

-LINDSAY, Geneva College

"There were so many opportunities with this program. We were given guidelines, suggestions on what we could do, and a support system, and then the rest was on us, which I greatly appreciated. The structure of the program was very effective for student engagement both with the school, the host family, and abroad."

**-AMY**, George Fox University

"Sevilla is a city filled with history and culture. The people are kind and willing to share their lives with students. SIS helps you see more of the world and helps you appreciate its diversity and beauty."

-RACHEL, Westmont College

"It is an amazing, immersive way to learn Spanish, and by the end you feel like you are a part of a family."

-MATTHEW, Belmont University

"It will change your outlook on life. If you make the effort, you will meet amazing people and form deep relationships, all through a foreign language."

-MEGAN, Olivet Nazarene
University

"I will never be the same because of the people I met and places I went. God worked in my heart and taught me so much during my semester abroad. I am so grateful for every challenge and every victory."

-HEATHER, Northwestern College

"The faculty and staff are very welcoming and nice. The city is lively and safe."

-MELISSA, Biola University



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