

North Central College D-Term 2017 Study Abroad

NOVEMBER 30- DECEMBER 16, 2017

SPAIN

Green Spain: A Treasured Past, A Sustainable Future

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Itinerary:

Fall term 2017: Pre-departure sessions (TBA)

Thursday, November 30: Travel Chicago to Madrid on Iberia Airlines

Friday, December 1: Arrive in Madrid. Visits to Royal Palace & Gardens of Sabatini, Cathedral Almudena, Organic Mercado de San Miguel, Puerta del Sol, stroll the capital.

Saturday, December 2: Lush Vertical Garden Caixa Forum, Lighting the Prado LED Project in the National Prado Museum, Madrid Urban Revitalization Initiatives, Temple of Debod Treasure Hunt, Villa Rosa Flamenco dinner and show

Sunday, December 3: El Rastro (world's largest outdoor market), "The Green Corridor" Project on Madrid River

Monday, December 4: Travel to Segovia, World Heritage City. Roman Aqueduct, "The Water Path in the Walled City," Cathedral, Alcázar, Guadarrama Mountains

Tuesday, December 5: Soccer Stadium, Santiago Bernabéu's & Eco-Revamp Plan, 16th C. Wine Cellar 'Bodega de los Secretos' Green Restaurant, Reina Sofia Museum

Wednesday, December 6: Travel to Toledo. Medieval Christian Churches and Cathedral, Jewish Synagogues, Arab Mosques, Roman thermal baths, Greco Museum

Thursday, December 7: Tres Aguas Water Installation Project, Ecological Path of Toledo on Tagus River, Roman Aqueducts, Muslim Baths

Friday, December 8: Travel to Cordoba. Green Hotel Exec Conquistador, Julio Romero de Torres Museum, Great Mosque Cathedral, Roman Bridge, Arab Waterwheel, Mill of Albolafia on the Guadalquivir River.

Saturday, December 9: Travel to Seville. Gothic Cathedral & Giralda, Plaza España, Metropol Parasol Avant-Guard Sculpture & Roman Antiquarium

Sunday, December 10: El Alcázar Palace, Gardens & Baths, La Torre del Oro, Guadalquivir River, Real Maestranza Bullring, Flamenco Class in Triana

Monday, December 11: Travel to Granada. Cathedral, Royal Chapel, Stroll Darro River, Flamenco Show in Gypsy Caves

Tuesday, December 12: Sacromonte Gypsy Cave Museum, Albaicín, Arab Cisterns, Plaza San Nicolás, Green Restaurant Juan Rana, Moorish Baths

Wednesday, December 13: Water and Light in the Alhambra. La Alhambra Palace Citadel & Generalife Gardens, Acequia Real Waterway System, Evening Train to Madrid

Thursday, December 14: Tour Wind Farm Enel Green Power, Environmental Activities

Friday, December 15: Free day in Madrid.

Saturday, December 16: Return to Chicago



Course details subject to change.

The Course (GLS 160-D3: Study Abroad in Spain)

This course offers a multidisciplinary approach to learning about the environmental issues Spain faces in protecting its treasured history and culture. Students will embark on a journey through Spain that will take them back in time to discover the historical imprints of great civilizations. Students will explore the innovative sustainable measures taken to preserve World Heritage sites, archeological treasures, art collections, cultural landscapes, and urban spaces impacted by the economy, tourism, and pollution. Students will learn about the progressive efforts made to ensure the protection, conservation and transmission to future generations of the rich cultural and natural heritage of Spain. This course will cross the boundaries of traditional disciplines to look at the relationship between humans and their environment from a new perspective: a return to ecological origins with a forward-thinking aim. We will experience the beauty of the Manchegan Windmills performing next to futuristic aero generators, the ancient aqueducts carrying water in tandem with new bio-channels, and the recovery of classical buildings reused by diverse cultures. Topics to be covered include Spain's leadership in wind and solar energy production, GreenWay programs, sustainable tourism, water systems and water conservation practices, bio-architecture, and ecological urban development. In short, this course aims to educate and inspire students about the promises and challenges of preserving culture in an environmentally responsible way.

Enrollment Instructions

To enroll in GLS 160-D3, Study Abroad in Spain, students are required to:

- Meet with the faculty leader(s).
- Confer with their academic advisors.
- Complete a green "Add a Course/Instructor Consent" form and have it signed by the appropriate faculty leader.

- Bring the consent form to the Center for Global Education, Abe House, 48 E. Jefferson Ave., and fill out a brief application.
- Pay \$400 nonrefundable airfare deposit by April 13, 2017.

Registration Procedure: March 1-April 13, 2017

Beginning March 1, the Center for Global Education will enroll each student as each deposit is received, March 1-April 13. After April 13, students will be placed on a waiting list and notified if spaces become available. Students with the highest number of credits earned at the College will be given first priority. Final registration will appear in the student's Merlin account.

Contact Information

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Initial Deposit due April 13, 2017

Scholarships: Deadline March 10, 2017

A limited number of scholarships (up to \$1,000) will be awarded to selected sophomores, juniors and seniors with 3.0 or better GPA and demonstrable financial need. Applications are available in the Center for Global Education and must be submitted by March 10, 2017.

Statement of Conditions

1. Estimated cost and minimum number of participants:

\$3,100-\$3,300 based on a minimum of 15 registered students. The course will not be offered for less than 10 students. The price includes:

- Airfare: estimated \$900-\$1,000
- Program fee, including land expenses and some meals: estimated \$2,200-\$2,300

2. Accommodation and meals:

Twin accommodations in three-star hotel, breakfast included; some other meals included.

3. Payment schedule:

- \$400 nonrefundable airfare deposit due April 13, 2017.
- Balance of the airfare due no later than September 15, 2017, according to payment schedule determined by the faculty leaders; most deposits will be due during the summer.
- \$500 nonrefundable program fee deposit due October 13, 2017.
- Program fee balance is billed to the student's account in late November as part of the invoice for winter term 2018.
- In addition to these airfare and program fees, tuition for this course will be billed as part of each student's winter 2018 invoice.

4. Cancellation and refund policy:

- Refund schedules for airfares depend on individual airlines; faculty leaders will inform all participants of the relevant deadlines and policies.
- If the student participant drops the course before November 1, 2017, 50 percent of the remaining balance of the program fee will be refunded.
- If the student participant drops the course after November 1, 2017, 100 percent of the program fee is forfeited.

5. Exclusions:

The following items are NOT included in the fees listed above:

- Meals other than those included in the itinerary
- Optional entertainment and excursions
- Excess baggage charges
- Personal items, including telephone calls, laundry fees, room service
- Departure taxes (except U.S.)
- Passport fees

6. Other matters:

- **Proof of a valid passport is due May 19, 2017: EITHER a color copy of the photo ID and signature pages of a passport valid through June 20, 2018, OR a receipt from applying for your passport.**
- All North Central College students are covered under a secondary insurance policy (EIIA) and will be given emergency information and telephone contacts by the lead professor.
- Every student participant is required to abide by College policies as outlined in the North Central College Student Handbook and by the rules listed on the course syllabus. If, in the judgment of a faculty member leading the course, a student has violated the course rules or College policy as stated in the Student Handbook, the student may be sent home at his or her own expense. In such circumstances, a student's parents may also be notified and additional disciplinary action may be taken by the College upon a student's return to the United States.
- All courses include required pre-departure sessions on campus and at least one follow-up session in January 2018 upon return.
- Final course assignments are due as specified on each course syllabus but no later than week 4 of winter term 2018.