

Spain 2026


CARDINAL DESTINATION COURSE ABROAD



Green Spain:

A Treasured Past, A Sustainable Future

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ITINERARY HIGHLIGHTS

Madrid, Toledo, Segovia, Cordoba, Sevilla, Granada – explore some of the most beautiful cities in Spain!

- Visit UNESCO World Heritage sites
- Swim in the Mediterranean
- Take a flamenco class
- Indulge in savory tapas
- Volunteer at a bull ranch
- Discover Roman aqueducts
- Scale gothic cathedrals
- Hike the Sierra Nevada
- Zipline over stunning views

ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

- Hotels, hostels and apartments (varies by city)

CARD*260* BL3

*This course can be substituted for HPST*364.
See faculty leader for details.*

Course Description:

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 and engage in 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.



Enrollment Steps:

To participate in a Cardinal Destination Course Abroad (CDCA), you must enroll in and successfully complete its prerequisite work.

- Contact your student success coach to understand how enrollment in the CDCA will affect your academic plan.
- Register ON MERLIN for the correlating 2-credit CARD*260 course on Merlin in the spring 2026 semester (designated course section listed on the flipside of this flyer). This course encompasses both the required prerequisite work and the travel component in May.
- Any potential course conflicts can be resolved in consultation with the professor.
- Graduating Seniors are eligible to participate.

Enrollment Deadline: November 1, 2025

(or before, if course capacity is met)

Center for Global Education (CGE) Registration:

- **November 1, 2025:** Students enrolled in a CDCA will begin the registration process, be charged a non-refundable \$40 registration fee, and prompted to pay the non-refundable \$500 program fee deposit, through the Center for Global Education.
- **January 19, 2026:** Proof of a valid passport is due. *(Current passports must be valid through November 2026 for May term travel, six (6) months past your return travel date.)*

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Course and Itinerary Questions

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ESTIMATED COST & PAYMENTS

\$3,485-\$3,985 based on 24 enrolled students

PRICE BREAK DOWN INCLUDES:

- Airfare & host country transportation estimate: \$1,450
- Program fee estimate: \$2,035 - \$2,535

NOT INCLUDED:

- Lunch and dinner
- Optional entertainment and excursions
- Excess baggage charges
- Personal items (telephone charges, laundry fees room service, souvenirs, etc.)
- Departure taxes (except U.S.)
- Passport fees

Payment Deadlines:

- **December 12, 2025:**
\$500 non-refundable program fee deposit due to North Central College
- **January 30, 2026:**
\$500 non-refundable airfare deposit due to North Central College
- **April 2026:**
Remaining program fee balance (including airfare) will be billed to your NC Student Account

CDCA Tuition

- All CDCA experiences are worth 2-credits, which fall under the spring semester.
- All participating students will be registered in a 0-credit course in summer session for administrative purposes only. There is no summer tuition course fee.
- Contact the Office of Financial Aid during the fall semester to inquire about financial aid options for Cardinal Destination Courses Abroad.

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