

Study in

BARCELONA

FALL 2023 | NORTHERN CALIFORNIA STUDY ABROAD CONSORTIUM (NCSAC)

DEPART U.S.:
Saturday, September 16, 2023

ARRIVE BARCELONA:
Sunday, September 17, 2023

DEPART BARCELONA:
Friday, December 15, 2023



Spend 13 weeks studying in the second largest city in Spain. The city's origins can be traced back to the first century BC and the Roman colony of Barcino. Its 2,000 years of history have left their mark on the city's architectural, artistic and cultural heritage. Its excellent location in terms of international communication, Mediterranean climate and cosmopolitan character make Barcelona a particularly dynamic city.



INCLUDED

Accommodation in fully furnished apartments in or near the center of Barcelona (within a 30 minute commute to the AIFS Study Center) with typically four to six NCSAC students sharing a two- or three-bedroom apartment. A shared homestay option is also available for an additional \$750 (includes breakfast daily and dinner five days per week). All students will be housed in a central hotel the first night including breakfast and transferred to their apartments by taxi following orientation the next day.

Orientation program in Barcelona consisting of an orientation meeting with AIFS staff; information packet with comprehensive student handbook; local area walking tour; half-day guided sightseeing tour of Barcelona by private bus; workshops with local staff about life in Spain, travel and safety; and a welcome tapas reception.

A TMB travel pass for unlimited use on buses and metro in the central zone of Barcelona for the duration of the program.

Fully staffed AIFS office in the Study Center including an AIFS Program Coordinator and Student Advisor to provide information, personal advising/counseling and 24-hour emergency contact service.

Free wireless Internet access at the Study Center for students who bring their own laptops plus access to a small computer lab. Printing services will also be provided by AIFS in the Student Services office.

A weekly program of subsidized cultural activities such as cooking classes, sporting events, walking tours, theater and dance events, tapas evenings and day trips.

Full-day guided excursion to Girona and Figueres including round-trip transportation by private bus, guided walking tour of Girona and entrance to the Dali Museum in Figueres.

Articket pass which allows one free entrance to the following six museums: Museu Picasso, Museu d'Art Contemporani de Barcelona, Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya, Fundació Joan Miró, Fundació Antoni Tàpies and Centre de Cultura Contemporània de Barcelona.

A farewell meal.

Medical insurance policy.

FEES

The program fee per student is \$7,945.

This fee excludes airfare, optional medical insurance upgrade (\$65), passport or visa fees if applicable, optional supplement for homestay accommodation (\$750), meals other than those listed, personal expenses, any NCSAC tuition or administrative fees, textbooks, additional field-trips or excursions required by the NCSAC faculty and anything not specified.

These fees are guaranteed not to change as a result of fluctuations in the \$ exchange rate.

OPTIONAL TRANSPORTATION PACKAGE

On a space available basis, students may purchase the optional transportation package consisting of round-trip airfare (SFO – Barcelona – SFO) and round-trip transfers overseas between the airport and the housing in Barcelona.

PROGRAM DEADLINES

Priority Application Deadline: Friday, April 28, 2023

General Application Deadline: Friday, June 16, 2023

Late Applications on Space Available Basis: May be accepted up to July 21, 2023 on a case-by-case basis only.

Mandatory Pre-Departure Orientation Meeting: TBA (a Saturday in August 2023; venue and date TBA)



COURSES

The following courses will be offered. For complete course listings and faculty bios, please visit www.aifscustomized.com/ncsac

Spanish Life and Culture

This 3-unit course is required for all students and is subject to college tuition fees. Student must enroll in the Spanish Life & Culture course offered by the campus that processes their program application. This class is the same class for all four schools.

Offered by the Contra Costa Community College District

Faculty: Scott MacDougall

POLSC 220 – Comparative Politics
POLSC 250 – International Relations
SOCSC 123 – American Pop Culture
INTD 100* - Spanish Life and Culture

Offered by the Los Rios Community College District

Faculty: Roxanne Morgan

ENGLT 340 – World Literature I (Ancient World to Early 17th Century)
ENGLT 341 – World Literature II (18th Century to Present)
ENGWR 301 – College Composition and Literature
ANTH 391* - Spanish Life and Culture

Note: ENGLT 340, ENGLT 341 & ENGWR 301 all have a prerequisite of College Composition

Offered by the San Mateo County Community College District

Faculty: Jeremy Ball

PHIL 100 – Introduction to Philosophy
PHIL 244 – Introduction to Ethics: Contemporary Social and Moral Issues
GBST 101 – Introduction to Global Studies
GBST 650* - Spanish Life and Culture

Offered by Santa Rosa Junior College

Faculty: Panella

COMM 7 – Intercultural Communication
HUMAN 5 – World Humanities: Arts, Ideas, Values
HUMAN 7 – Introduction to the Humanities
INTDIS 90* - Spanish Life and Culture

MEDICAL INSURANCE

AIFS provides each student with a group insurance policy issued by Crum & Forster Segregated Portfolio Company.

Once the program has begun, the plan covers the cost of medical treatment abroad, up to a maximum of \$100,000 per sickness or accident and with a daily hospital charge that does not exceed the Hospital's average charge for a semiprivate room.

That is, the policy does not cover medical expenses before the program begins, nor does it refund any portion of the AIFS program fees once the program has begun.

The insurance also covers costs associated with changing the return flight if a student is unable to complete the program due to accident, illness or quarantine in a travel area. It offers 24-hour travel assistance in case of an emergency, legal assistance, medical transportation and emergency cash transfer in case of theft or loss.

Full details of the coverage are provided to students with their final invoice for payment of the balance of their program fees.

Optional medical insurance upgrade

For a supplemental fee of \$65, the medical insurance upgrade provides a maximum \$250,000 per sickness or accident.

AIFS REFUND POLICY

All notification of withdrawal must be made in writing via email to customizedfacultyled@aifs.com, or by fax or certified mail to: Customized, Faculty-Led Programs, AIFS Study Abroad, 1 High Ridge Park, Stamford, CT 06905. The fax number is 203.399.5597. Postmark date or date of email or fax transmission is considered date of withdrawal. All withdrawal statements must be signed by the applicant, or they will not be processed.

If a student withdraws on or before Friday, June 23, 2023, a full refund will be made less \$150, plus any non-refundable deposits paid either by the student or by AIFS on the student's behalf.

If a student withdraws after Friday, June 23, 2023, but on or before Friday, July 21, 2023, the \$450 deposit fee is forfeited, along with any non-refundable deposits paid either by the student or by AIFS on the student's behalf.

Students withdrawing for any reason after Friday, July 21, 2023 receive no refund of fees and full payment is due. Flights cannot be arranged for students applying after Friday, June 23, 2023.

Once the program has started, students withdrawing receive no refund under any circumstances. This refund policy is necessary because the booking of facilities in Barcelona requires substantial non-refundable payments and commitments by AIFS in advance.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, GO TO WWW.AIFSCUSTOMIZED.COM/NCSAC AND CONTACT YOUR CAMPUS REPRESENTATIVE:

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