



WEST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE

STUDY ABROAD in

Summer Session
Salamanca
Spain 2008

June 28 - July 26, 2008

29 Days / 27 Nights



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Faculty

Professor Josefina O. Culton has led previous study abroad programs in Spain and Mexico, has taught at California State University at Long Beach, California State University at Dominguez Hills, El Camino College, Los Angeles Harbor College and is currently Associate Professor of Foreign Languages at WLAC. She is a native of Mexico and holds a degree from the National Autonomous University of Mexico and an MA from CSULB.



Assistance will be provided by Dr. Donald R. Culton, former Director of International Education for the Los Angeles Community Colleges. Dr. Culton has been sending students to Salamanca since 1980.



Pontifical University of Salamanca

Pontifical University of Salamanca (UPSA) was founded in 1940 in order to maintain the old ecclesiastical faculties of the University of Salamanca. University of Salamanca itself was founded by King Alfonso IX of León in 1219 and was definitively established, in its twofold royal and pontifical character, by Alfonso X the Learned on May 8th, 1254. The university enrolls approximately 8,500 students and it offers more than 40 official degrees, postgraduate courses. The principal site of the Pontifical University is situated in Salamanca, a university city of excellence, in which more than 40,000 university students live. Its streets are full of culture carved in stone, like the House of the Shells (la Casa de las Conchas), the Cathedrals or the Main Square (la Plaza Mayor), and of living knowledge. Furthermore, this city has been converted into a world icon of the Spanish teaching, and for this reason every year thousands of foreign students approach the language of Cervantes in the cobbled streets of Salamanca. Please look at their www. <http://www.spanishcourses.upsa.es/> for further details of the program.



Courses

**Spanish 1 - 6: Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced.
5 Units** **Transfers to UC/CSU**

Itinerary

Day 1: Saturday, June 28: **LOS ANGELES - MADRID**
Transfer on own from Los Angeles Area to Los Angeles International Airport for flight to Madrid, via Germany.

DAY 2 – Sunday, June 29: **ARRIVE MADRID – SALAMANCA**
Arrive Madrid Airport, and meet your transfer driver who will take you directly to Salamanca, an approximate two hour drive. Upon arrival, you will rendezvous with your host family at the school and then transfer to your homestay accommodations for your first dinner with the family. (D)

Days 3-7: Monday through Friday, June 30-July 4: **SALAMANCA**
Five days of Spanish instruction in Salamanca, 4 hours per day. (BLD)

Days 8-9: Sat-Sun, July 5-6: **SALAMANCA AT LEISURE**
Two full days for pursuing individual pursuits. (BLD)

Days 10-14: Monday through Friday, July 7-11: **SALAMANCA**
Five days of Spanish instruction in Salamanca, 4 hours per day. (BLD)

Day 15: Saturday, July 12: **AVILA/SEGOVIA EXCURSION**
Today enjoy a full day excursion with private motorcoach and guide to the fabled cities of Avila and Segovia. The ancient city of Avila, which is still encircled by its well preserved 11th walls, has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and is known as the home of St. Teresa, who was born here in 1515. Nearby Segovia typifies the glory of Old Castile, with its still functioning aqueduct from Roman times, and its “fairy-tale” El Alcazar Castle. Return to Salamanca in the late afternoon. (BD)

Day 16: Sunday, July 13: **SALAMANCA AT LEISURE**
A full day for pursuing individual pursuits. (BLD)

Days 17-21: Monday through Friday, July 14-18: **SALAMANCA**
Five days of Spanish instruction in Salamanca, 4 hours per day. (BLD)

Days 22-23: Sat-Sun, July 19-20: **SALAMANCA AT LEISURE**
Two full days for pursuing individual pursuits. (BLD)

Days 24-28: Monday through Friday, July 21-25: **SALAMANCA**
Five days of Spanish instruction in Salamanca, 4 hours per day. (BLD)

Day 29: Saturday, July 26: **SALAMANCA – MADRID – LOS ANGELES**
An early morning transfer from Salamanca will return the group to Madrid Airport for its return flights to Los Angeles, via Germany. (B)



The Program Price Includes

1. Round-trip flight from Los Angeles to Madrid on a regularly scheduled airline in economy class, such as Lufthansa/United Airlines, fare basis apex ticket, "high season", weekend departure and weekend return.
2. 27 nights homestay accommodation in Salamanca, price per person sharing a twin bedded room.
3. Three meals a day in Salamanca. With host families, or when on excursion the meal may be bag-style.
4. Spanish Instruction: 20 hours per week, 4 hours per day, Monday through Friday, at the Salamanca Universidad Pontificia, focusing on Conversational Spanish, Business Spanish and Spanish Review, from beginning to advanced instruction.
5. Round-trip transfers by motor-coach from the Madrid Airport to Salamanca.
6. Full-day excursion with private motorcoach and guide to Avila and Segovia.
7. Guided half-day tour of Salamanca.
8. Free Internet access at the Universidad two days a week in the afternoons.
9. Language laboratory available two days a week in the afternoons.
10. Taxes and service charges as related to the institute, meals and motor-coach transportation.
11. Itinerary and travel documents preparation.

PROGRAM PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- ◆ Air ticket related departure taxes/fuel surcharges, currently \$310.00, and subject to change until ticketed.
- ◆ Customary gratuity to local guides (minimal cost).
- ◆ All other items that are not listed under "The Price Includes."
- ◆ Optional Travel Protection Plan.

Excursions & Activities

SALAMANCA is a city known as *La Dorada* because of the golden glow of its sandstone buildings. It has also been declared by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site, one of 5 cities in Spain that has been given that honor. There are many famous monuments, such as the Cathedral in plateresque style with magnificent sculpture inside; the University of Salamanca, whose façade has numerous figures including the elusive "frog" and on Calle Calderon is the Unamuno Museum where the poet and rector had his office. There are many other landmarks in this town of Renaissance palaces and courts, 16th Century convents and legendary statues, as well as the famous El Puente Romano, the Roman bridge over the Tormes River. The city offers also weekly concerts, lectures or theater in various plazas throughout the city, and features one of the prettiest baroque squares in Spain, the Plaza Mayor.

ÁVILA's churches, palaces and the oldest and best-preserved city walls in Spain are recognized by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site. Ávila changed hands numerous times between the Christians and Muslims over 300 years and emerged as a center for commerce. The city is also known as the birthplace of Santa Teresa de Jesús 1515 - 1582 and where she became a nun at the Convento de la Concepción.

SEGOVIA This city is in the heart of Old Castile with its spectacular 12th Century Moorish castle-fortress, the Alcázar. Here also discover the engineering genius of the 2000-year old Roman Aqueduct, and explore the Gothic cathedral on the spot where Isabella was proclaimed queen.



Spain

The Iberian Peninsula has a long and full history, dating from long before the Roman arrival, to the Visigoths, and Moors. With the completed re-conquest of Spain in 1492, the Spanish monarchs embarked on an unequalled campaign of exploration and conquest. With the defeat of the Armada, the Napoleonic Wars, the Spanish-American War, and the Spanish Civil War, the Spanish empire was reduced to a few small outposts. Interwoven with these political, religious and military struggles, however, is a rich culture produced by literary masters, musicians, artists, and architects. The countryside is full of monuments, from Roman aqueducts and magnificent castles, to immense cathedrals and Moorish palaces. The Spanish Language Study in Salamanca program provides students with a first-hand experience in discovering the country, its colorful past, its people and language.

Program Price

Price is based on current exchange rates, on current airfares and land prices, and are subject to change. Pricing based on current (October 2008) exchange rate of \$1.00 USD = .70 euro. Prices are based on a minimum of 20 passengers. All prices are for payment in cash, by check, money order or transfer. Credit card payments require a 3% non-cash adjustment to be added.

Share Twin: **\$3395**
Single Supplement: \$120

How to Register

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PASSPORT REQUIRED FOR TRAVEL TO SPAIN.
Processing a US passport may take up to six weeks.

See <http://travel.state.gov/passport/index.html>

For citizens of other countries, please inquire directly with the Spanish Consulate in Los Angeles.

(323) 938-0158/ 0166

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The LACCD assumes responsibility only for providing an instructor and academic credit for classes. All classes are subject to approval by the Board of Trustees of the LACCD. All students enroll for class credit through West LA College. Payment of deposit with the application to the contractor does not guarantee acceptance.

General Information & Conditions:

RESERVATIONS & PAYMENTS: In order to make a reservation, complete the Application and submit to Prof. Josefina O. Culton, together with your deposit check for \$500 made payable to Pleasant Holidays. All subsequent checks are to be made payable to Pleasant Holidays and sent to them directly. There will be a \$25 per person late fee for any final payments received after the due date.

Deposit due as soon as possible: \$500
Balance due April 14, 2008

CANCELLATIONS: All cancellations must be submitted in writing to Pleasant Holidays and are based on the departure date of the core program. The cancellation date is the date on which Pleasant Holidays receives the written notification of the intent to cancel at its place of business.

Date of Cancellation	Cancellation Charges
Until April 14, 2008	\$300
April 15-May 16, 2008	\$500
May 17, 2008 or later	No Refund

*In addition to these fees, any unrecoverable expenses and/or cancellation charges imposed by the airlines, or other suppliers of travel services will be assessed.

REFUNDS: All refunds will be based upon the cancellation schedule provided above. No refunds will be made until payments are recovered by Pleasant Holidays from the program suppliers. No refunds will be made on any services, meals or accommodations resulting from a participant's absence from the tour itinerary or from other situations thereby resulting in the non-utilization of these program components by the participant.

TOUR PRICES: All rates, quoted in U.S. dollars, are based upon tariffs and current exchange rates. Adjusted prices will be advised if airfare conditions, land prices, or currency exchange rates are revised.

DEVIATIONS: Under certain circumstances, land and air deviations from the tour itinerary may be available. A deviation fee of \$75, PLUS the cost of the change, must be paid at time of request. Cost of additional arrangements will be added to your invoice. Please refer to the Reservation form for more details.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: U.S. citizens are required to possess a valid passport for travel to the program destinations. In some instances visas may be required. Holders of U.S. passports and passports of countries other than the United States should inquire about individual visa requirements from the consular offices of the countries in which they will be traveling. Pleasant Holidays does not assume responsibility for obtaining passports or visas, nor responsibility if participants do not acquire the required documentation and must cancel participation in the program as a result. Regular cancellation terms will still apply.

PROGRAM PRICE INCLUDES: Please refer to the program brochure for an itemized listing of

those items included in the program price.

PROGRAM PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE: Generally, those items not specifically listed on the program brochure are not included in the program price. In addition, extra transportation that is not part of the itinerary, passport and visa fees, insurance, foreign airport taxes, U.S. airport immigration and customs fees, excess baggage charges, additional meals not listed in the itinerary, laundry services, telephone calls and other items of a personal nature are not included in the program price. Beverages at meals and any beverages at other times are not included.

INSURANCE: It is strongly recommended that program participants consider purchasing a Travel Protection Plan. Travel insurance can be purchased by program participants either independently or through Pleasant Holidays. For your convenience, the Pleasant Holidays Travel Protection Plan will be included on your invoice. You may decline this protection on your invoice if you are not satisfied with the coverage. Pleasant Holidays is not responsible for personal injury, accident or illness or the loss, damage or theft of luggage or other personal belongings.

TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN: Pleasant Holidays is committed to providing you with the best possible service. Because of this commitment, we have designed a special program, which will help protect you and your travel investment. Travel with greater peace of mind, knowing you are covered by the following benefits**:

Schedule of Coverages	Maximum Benefit Amount
Trip Cancellation Protection	Up to Trip Cost
Trip Interruption Protection	Up To Trip Cost
Travel Accident Coverage	\$25,000
Emergency Medical & Dental Coverage	\$20,000
Emergency Medical Transportation	\$25,000
Trip Delay (maximum of \$100 per day)	\$500
Baggage Coverage	\$1,000
Baggage Delay Coverage **	\$200
24-Hour Emergency Assistance	Included
Concierge	Included

*Although we strongly recommend that you elect the benefits and coverage provided by the Travel Protection Plan, you may decline this protection on your invoice.

**Insurance coverage is provided under a Master Policy issued by BCS Insurance Company, administered by World Access Service Corp. Certain limitations, conditions and exclusions may apply. Please refer to your Certificate of Insurance/Policy for further details relating to the coverage and benefits.

Limitations, Conditions and Exclusions:

The Travel Protection Plan is an optional item, and the insurance coverage is non-transferable.

Passengers who have purchased the insurance coverage will receive a detailed description of the plan, its conditions and exclusions. Certain limitation, conditions and exclusions may apply and are detailed in the Certificate of Insurance/Policy that is provided with your final travel documents. Please note the insurance coverage does not cover penalties associated with air or other travel arrangements not provided by Pleasant Holidays.

All inquiries and claims should be reported to the Plan Administrator: World Access Service Corp 2805 North Parham Rd., Richmond, VA 23294. Tel: 1-888 877 0965 or collect 519-742-7562

Per Person Trip Cost	Premium Rate
\$2501-3500	\$159
\$3501-4500	\$219

BAGGAGE: Owing to the limited baggage capacity in motorcoaches, trains and/or ships required for the program itinerary, Pleasant Holidays will handle the transportation of two normal size suitcase per person only. One flight bag per person is also allowed with the understanding that it is to be constantly in the care of the owner. Airline regulations require that the flight bag must fit beneath the seat and should not exceed 45 inches overall. Garment bags cannot be carried. It is the responsibility of each program participant to identify and comply with other baggage restrictions designated by the applicable airline. This may be done directly with the airline when air tickets are distributed approximately three weeks prior to the group departure date.

AIRLINE RESPONSIBILITY: No IATA carrier shall be liable for any loss, damage, injury, accident, delay or irregularity which may be occasioned by reason of defect or through the acts or omissions of any person or company performing or rendering the services, other than carriage by air described in this tour brochure. The services described in this tour brochure other than carriage furnished by an IATA carrier are furnished by independent contractors who are not servants of or joint venturers or partners with an IATA carrier.

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Effective until December 31, 2008

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1. Complete this application and submit to Prof. Josefina O. Culton for signature confirming academic approval.
2. Complete the Application and submit to Prof. Josefina O. Culton, together with your deposit check for \$500 made payable to Pleasant Holidays. All subsequent checks are to be made payable to Pleasant Holidays and sent to them directly at:

Pleasant Holidays, Suite 200, 4025 Camino del Rio South, San Diego, CA 92108.

3. Students will be required to have a passport. New passports may take 12 weeks. See <http://travel.state.gov/passport/index.html>

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APPLICATION

Event Spanish Language Study in Salamanca Departure June 28, 2008

Departure City Los Angeles, CA Professor Josefina O. Culton

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

FULL NAME (Your legal name as it appears on your passport, no abbreviated or "nick" names please) PRINT

First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Male Female Date of Birth: _____ email: _____

Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: Home _____ Work _____ Cell: _____

Are you an U.S. Citizen?* Yes No, I am a citizen of _____ Passport # _____

* Citizens of countries other than the U.S. should contact the Spanish Consulate to inquire about individual visa requirements. (323) 938-0158

HOUSING INFORMATION – Staying with Host Family

Sharing twin-bedded room \$3395 Sharing single-bedded room \$3515

Non-Smoking Smoking Roommate Request: _____

Special Meal Requests _____

Do you have any special dietary restriction? _____

Do you have any allergies or medical problems? _____

Are you currently using prescribed drugs? If yes, what drug and for what purpose? _____

SELECTION OF COURSES

Please circle the course you intend to take . **SPAN 1** **SPAN 2** **SPAN 3** **SPAN 4** **SPAN 5** **SPAN 6**
Elementary Elementary Intermediate Intermediate Advanced Advanced

DEVIATION REQUEST

I do not want to return from Madrid on July 26, I wish to return from _____ (European city) on (date) _____

Deviations from the core are subject to a minimum \$75, plus the cost of the change. No action will be taken on deviation requests that do not list the return city or date; both sections must be completed. Deviation requests must be received in writing to Pleasant Holidays prior to April 28, 2008, and may be submitted in a letter separate from this form. Requests are subject to space availability.

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Name _____ Relationship _____ Home Phone _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Please read carefully the **General Information and Conditions** on back of form. Enclosed with this form is my deposit in the amount of \$500.

Check or money orders are to be made payable to **Pleasant Holidays**.

Submit form and deposit to Prof. Josefina O. Culton, West Los Angeles College, drculton@hotmail.com (310) 745 4243.

I have carefully read the Application Form and General Information and Conditions and agree to them.

Signature _____ Date _____

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