

**WEST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE  
SPRING SEMESTER 2010  
STUDY ABROAD IN SALAMANCA, SPAIN**



**81 NIGHTS  
January 31 – April 23, 2010**



## Itinerary-at-a-glance

### Day 1: Tuesday, January 30: Travel Day

*Travel to Madrid.*

### DAY 2 – Wednesday, January 31: ARRIVE MADRID – SALAMANCA

Arrive Madrid Airport, transfer on own from Madrid Airport to Salamanca (via taxi from airport to bus station then to direct bus to Salamanca, approximately a two and ½ hour drive).

*There is a coach line Madrid - Salamanca with frequent departures. Coaches leave from 'Estación Sur' (Méndez Álvaro). To reach the station from the airport, you can take a taxi (it will cost about 20-30 euros) or you can take the underground to 'Estación Sur'. The ordinary coach service takes 3 ¼ hours to reach Salamanca. The express service is a bit more expensive, but it is quite comfortable and it only takes 2 and a half hours. You can find more information about the timetable at the web page: [www.auto-res.net](http://www.auto-res.net)*

Upon arrival in Salamanca, take taxi directly to your host family for your first dinner with the family. (D)

### Days 3-80: Monday, February 1 – Friday, April 23: SALAMANCA - MADRID

Please contact Isabel del Arco Gomez, your primary contact on campus, this morning on campus for more details of your instruction. Five days of Spanish instruction in Salamanca, 4 hours per day, Monday through Friday, typically 9:00am-1:00pm. (BLD)

\*\*\*Spring Break between March 27 and April 12 (no class instruction)\*\*\*\*

### Day 81: Saturday, April 23: MADRID – USA

Travel from Salamanca to Madrid. Return flight from Madrid.



## **DETAILS ON INSURANCE INCLUDED IN TOUR PACKAGE:**

A basic travel insurance group policy covering medical emergencies, lost or delayed baggage, and emergency assistance is included in the land-only tour price. It is provided by a third-party insurance provider. *Please note:* this is **not** trip cancellation insurance. The specific coverage details are:

- **\$750: Trip Delay**  
Reimburses you up to \$150 a day for additional accommodations or travel expenses if you are delayed for more than 12 hours due to a covered reason.
- **\$1,000: Baggage & Personal Effects**  
Reimburses you if your luggage is lost, damaged, or stolen while you are on your trip.
- **\$200: Baggage Delay**  
Reimburses you for the purchase of essential items if your bags are delayed for more than 24 hours.
- **\$10,000: Medical Expenses**  
Covers necessary medical expenses up to one year after the sickness or injury, provided initial treatment was received while on the trip.
- **\$100,000: Emergency Evacuation**  
Covers evacuation and transportation to the nearest adequate medical facility.
- **Travel Guard Assist**  
Offers emergency assistance for your peace of mind anywhere in the world.
- **LiveTravel**  
24-hour hotline to track lost luggage and more!
- **Live messaging**  
Relay of any e-mail or phone message to family, friends or business associates
- **Emergency Cash transfers**  
Assistance in coordinating an emergency cash advance.
- **Pre-trip travel advisories**  
Around-the-clock access to passport, visa, inoculation and vaccine requirements; travel advisories; embassy and consulate contacts; travel health advisories; weather and currency information, all for your planned destination.

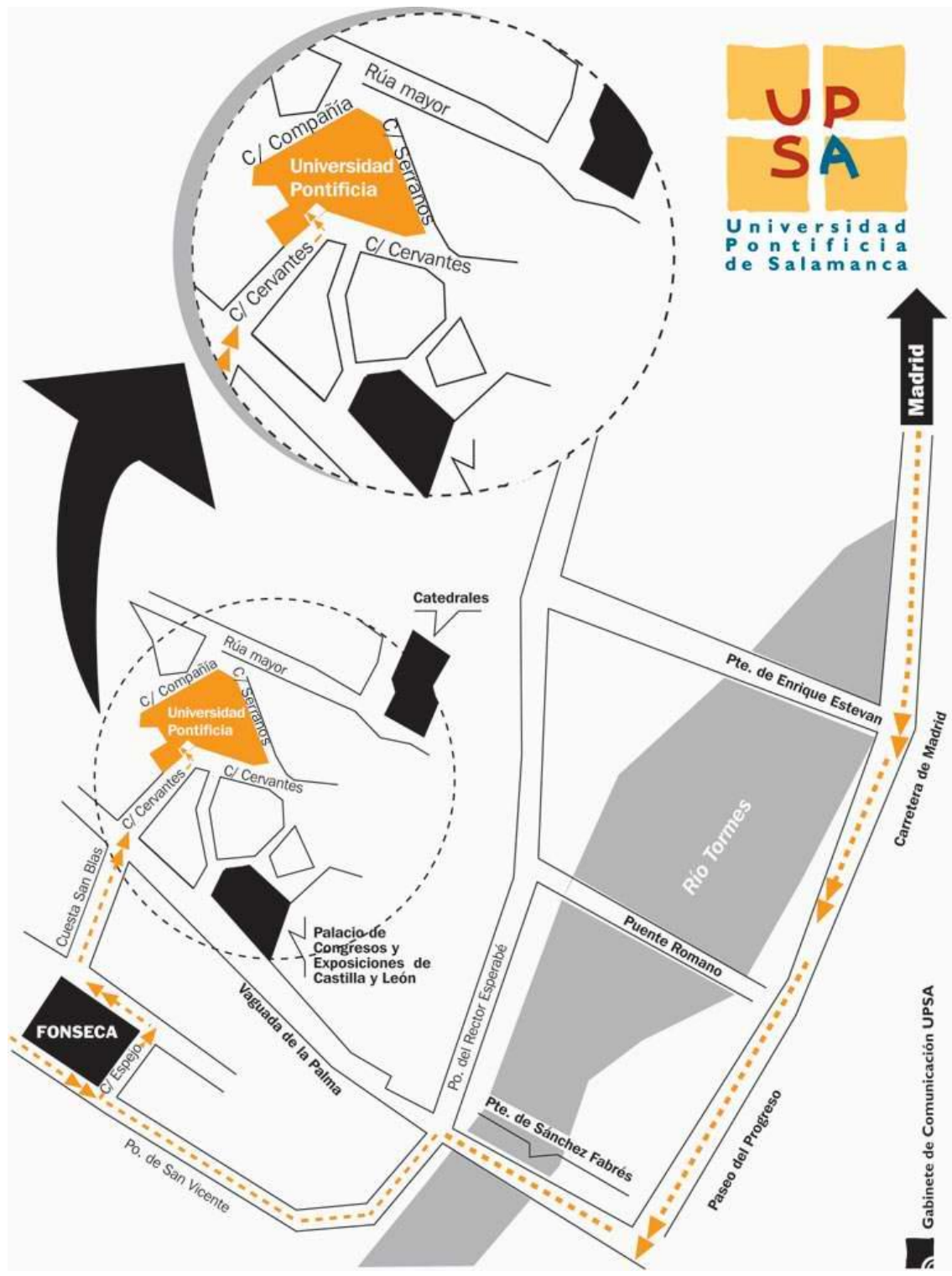
## **About UPSA**

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 in 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.

### **Courses in Spanish Language**

The intensive Spanish language and culture courses that the Pontifical University offers combine a complete and rigorous academic program together with a wide range of cultural activities. The courses, that are given in the historic building of the Royal College of the Society of Jesus (Colegio Real de la Compañía de Jesús - a building of the XVII century), try to immerse the student not only in the Spanish language but also in the culture. For this reason the daily classes, given by qualified teachers with experience, are combined with all sorts of activities. Excursions, tours and language exchanges with Spanish speakers help the foreign students feel fully integrated in the university atmosphere. In the academic program the distribution of students is carried out in small groups that can always count on the help of teachers specialized in the teaching of Spanish. The duration of the courses, organized according to the level of the students, can be from two weeks up to six months. Studying Spanish in Salamanca allows foreign students to learn a language in an ideal setting: in the home of an ever more universal language, enjoying unforgettable experiences that make what is learned in the daily classes easily assimilated.



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