

September 23 to November 27, 2010

FALL **BARCELONA** 2010



The Southwestern Community College District and
The San Diego and Imperial Counties Community College Association

Barcelona is the capital of Catalonia and the second largest city in Spain, with a population of 2.5 million. 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 it a particularly privileged city.

Included

- Transportation package consisting of round-trip airfare (San Diego – Barcelona – San Diego) and round-trip transfers overseas between the airport and the housing in Barcelona (excludes mandatory U.S. government and airline-imposed departure taxes, fees and fuel surcharges estimated at \$365 and subject to change for which students will be billed separately).
- First night's accommodation in a centrally located hotel in twin rooms with breakfast. Transfer to apartments the following day by taxi.
- Housing in fully furnished apartments in or near the historical center of Barcelona.
- Transportation pass for use on buses and Metro in the central zone of Barcelona.
- Orientation program in Barcelona consisting of a meeting with AIFS staff, information packet, welcome reception and half-day guided sightseeing tour of Barcelona by private coach.
- 24-hour emergency phone service operated by AIFS staff.
- Articket Museum Pass giving one free entrance to each of the following museums, including the permanent and temporary exhibits: Museu Picasso, Museu d'Art Contemporani de Barcelona, Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya, Fundació Joan Miró, Fundació Caixa Catalunya, Fundació Antoni Tàpies and Centre de Cultura Contemporània de Barcelona.
- Weekly program of subsidized cultural activities such as museum visits, visits to historical/cultural sites, cinema outings and sporting events. A farewell dinner will also be held for all students.
- Full-day guided excursion to Figueres including round-trip transportation by private bus and entrance to the Dali Museum.
- Access to the wireless-enabled Don Quijote Student Center and student computer lab.
- \$50 non-refundable application fee.
- Student medical and program fee refund insurance policies.

Fees

Based on an enrollment of 40 to 44 participants, the fee per person is \$6,400.

This fee excludes a \$250 refundable damage deposit; mandatory additional U.S. government and airline-imposed departure taxes, fees and fuel surcharges of \$365 (subject to change); optional medical insurance upgrade (\$65) and optional personal effects coverage (\$90); passport or visa fees if applicable; meals other than those indicated on the itinerary; personal expenses; any Southwestern College tuition or administrative fees; textbooks; additional field trips or excursions required by the program faculty and anything not specified.

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

Optional Madrid Excursion

An optional two-day/one-night excursion to Madrid will be offered for a supplemental fee of \$495. The excursion includes round-trip transportation by high speed AVE train, hotel transfers, accommodation in twin and triple rooms in a centrally located tourist-class hotel on a bed-and-breakfast basis, Metro pass, one group dinner and one group lunch, bilingual guided city tour by private bus including entrances to the Prado museum and the services of an AIFS Tour Manager.

Faculty

Professor Carla Kirkwood

Dr. Carla Kirkwood is an artist/educator, who has traveled extensively throughout Europe, Asia, South America, and Africa. Professor Kirkwood completed her Ph.D. at the University of California at San Diego, in Theatre and Dance. She earned her Master of Fine Arts Degree at the University of Leeds, in England, with an emphasis in global performance practices. Her work in television has earned her three EMMY awards, and she is the recipient of five National Endowment for the Arts grants. Carla has been on faculty at Southwestern College for twenty years and has previously taught cinema and theatre in the cities of Madrid, Seville and Barcelona. Professor Kirkwood is currently the International Programs Coordinator at Southwestern College and looks forward to supporting students who wish to pursue international educational opportunities.

Professor Alejandro Orozco

Alejandro Luis Orozco earned a B.A. in Philosophy from the Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology in Berkeley in 1980. He then went on to receive a Masters Degree in Theology in 1984. Professor Orozco currently teaches Philosophy and Humanities at Southwestern College, where he has been on faculty since 1991. He is the former advisor to M.E.C.H.A. and participated in the first Southwestern College study abroad program in Cuzco, Peru. Professor Orozco is the Department Chair of the Philosophy and Humanities Department and also serves as the President of the Spring Valley Citizens Association, a non-profit group specializing in community development.

Courses

All students must enroll in at least 12 units with a maximum enrollment of 15 units for this program. Course offerings are subject to change prior to departure.

Art 130/Telemidia 113 (Professor Kirkwood) 3 units

History of Film as Art
(Student can enroll in either Art 130 or Telemidia 113)
Transfers to UC, CSU

Provides a survey of cinema with an emphasis on the chronological development of styles and techniques in the medium of film. Course will include an examination of the cinema of the Spanish Civil War era and of late Twentieth Century and early Twenty-First Century Spanish filmmakers.

Humanities 104 (Professor Orozco) 3 units

Introduction to Humanities: Arts and Ideas
Transfers to UC, CSU

Introductory course that analyzes, interprets and interrelates important works of literature, music, drama, painting, sculpture, architecture, philosophy and religion.

Humanities 295 (Professor Kirkwood and Local Spanish Faculty) 1 unit

Spanish Life and Culture

A survey course on the life and culture of Spain.

Philosophy 101 (Professor Orozco) 3 units

Introduction to Philosophy
Transfers to UC, CSU

Introduction to the themes, issues, methodologies, practice of philosophy, and exploration of the nature of reality, the boundaries of knowledge, the origin and validity of values, and the meaning of existence utilizing historical, analytic and critical approaches.

Philosophy 103 (Professor Orozco) 3 units

Logic and Critical Thinking
(The prerequisite for this course is English 115)
Transfers to UC, CSU

Designed to develop the critical reading, writing, and reasoning skills necessary for both academic success and good citizenship. Also provides an introduction to deductive and inductive reasoning and the logic of analysis.

Philosophy 106 (Professor Orozco) 3 units

World Religions
Transfers to UC, CSU

The philosophical significance of major themes in religious thought. Also includes a critical study of the comparative and contrasting features of major religious philosophies, including an examination of their historical background and contemporary perspectives.

Spanish 101 (Local Spanish Faculty) 5 units

Elementary Spanish I
Transfers to UC, CSU

Spanish 102 (Local Spanish Faculty) 5 units

Elementary Spanish II
(The prerequisite for this course is Spanish 101)
Transfers to UC, CSU

Theatre 100 (Professor Kirkwood) 3 units

Survey of Drama
Transfers to UC and CSU

Surveys the dramatic literature and performance of classical, Medieval, Renaissance, Restoration, Romantic, Realistic and Modern plays from diverse cultures. Course will include an examination of the drama of the Spanish Golden Age and of Twentieth Century Spanish dramatists.

REMEMBER: each student must enroll in at least 12 units (with a maximum of 15 units) to participate in the program.

How to Enroll

Student Selection

The Barcelona semester abroad program is open to anyone 18 years or older by the date of departure and who has completed 12 college-level units with a GPA of 2.0 or higher by the end of summer 2010. Preference is given to students who are attending a SDICCCA consortium member college. Program space is limited. Priority selection criteria include, but are not limited to:

1. Current student enrollment at a SDICCCA consortium member college.
2. Date of completed registration forms.
3. Eligibility criteria met at time of enrollment.
4. Meeting payment deadlines.

Deadline to apply to be included in the group flight is Friday, June 25, 2010.

Procedures for Enrollment

The Southwestern Community College District is the host college for this SDICCCA Study Abroad Program. Students are required to apply for admission, enroll in classes and pay registration and tuition fees at Southwestern College for Fall 2010. Students who apply for financial aid must do so through Southwestern College.

1. Complete Registration Form and Student Release Form.
2. Complete the top part of the Student Conduct Release Form, and submit it to your Dean of Student Affairs or your International Education Coordinator.
3. The Dean will complete the bottom part of the Student Conduct Release Form and send it to your campus Study Abroad/International Education Coordinator.
4. Attach a \$400.00 deposit check (made payable to AIFS) to the Registration Form, and submit it to the Study Abroad/International Education Coordinator at your campus for his/her signature. (Coordinators are listed in this brochure.)
5. Attach 4 passport sized photos of yourself to your application form. Write your name and program on the back of each.

Financial Aid

Financial aid is available for eligible students. As Southwestern College is the host College for the Fall 2010 Barcelona program, students MUST apply for financial aid through Southwestern College. The Free Application For Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) MUST be completed in order for a student to be evaluated. For detailed information, contact Southwestern College's Financial Aid office.

Southwestern College's school code for FAFSA is 001294.

Financial Aid Contact:

Kathy Johnson
Financial Aid Advisor
Southwestern College
Phone: 619.421.6700, ext. 5253
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Wednesday 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. and Tuesdays/Thursdays 2–4 p.m.

Medical Insurance

AIFS provides each student with a group insurance policy issued by the Insurance Company of the State of Pennsylvania. The policy provides two distinct types of coverage:

1. Before the program begins, AIFS will refund fees paid by students unable to participate on the program because of covered injury or illness or quarantine in a travel area. However, a fee is retained from the amount paid which includes a \$100 processing fee, the \$50 non-refundable application fee and a \$210 insurance premium.
2. Once the program has begun, the plan covers the cost of medical treatment abroad, up to a maximum of \$10,000 per sickness or accident and with a daily hospital charge limit of \$300. There is a \$50 deductible per incident for medical claims against this policy.

These two categories of insurance are mutually exclusive. 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 and personal effects insurance

A *medical insurance upgrade* provides a maximum \$60,000 per sickness or accident with a daily hospital charge of \$300 (\$50 deductible for each accident or illness). Optional *personal effects* insurance covers loss or theft up to \$1,000, subject to a maximum \$100 per item (\$500 for electronic devices) and a deductible of \$100 per incident. Students are advised to arrange additional insurance for special items. Bicycles, jewelry, cash and computers are not covered. Expensive or irreplaceable items should be left at home.

AIFS Refund Policy

All notification of withdrawal must be made in writing via fax or certified mail

to: Registrar, Partnership Programs, AIFS College Division, River Plaza, 9 West Broad Street, Stamford, CT 06902-3788. The fax number is 203.399.5597. Postmark date or date of 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's application is not accepted by AIFS, a refund of all payments is made, less the \$50 non-refundable application fee and any non-refundable deposits paid by the student or by AIFS on the student's behalf. If a student withdraws on or before Friday, July 9, 2010, a full refund will be made less \$150, including the \$50 non-refundable application fee, plus any non-refundable deposits paid either by the student or by AIFS on the student's behalf.

If a student withdraws after Friday, July 9, 2010, but on or before Wednesday, August 4, 2010, for any reason except medical covered by the AIFS Fees Refund and Medical Insurance Policy, the \$400 deposit fee is forfeited, along with any non-refundable deposits paid either by the student or by AIFS on the student's behalf.

If a student is forced to withdraw from the program because of covered medical

reasons after final fees have been paid but before departure, a refund will be made through the Fees Refund and Medical Insurance Policy, less a \$100 processing fee, the \$50 non-refundable application fee and the \$210 insurance premium. The policy requires written proof of medical reasons provided by your physician.

Students withdrawing voluntarily for any reason after Wednesday, August 4, 2010, including withdrawals because of medical reasons not covered under the medical refund policy, receive no refund of fees paid unless they are able to provide a qualified replacement. In this case, they receive a full refund of all payments made less the \$150 processing and cancellation fee and any non-refundable deposits. Replacement students must pay in full at the time of application. Flights cannot be arranged for replacement students applying after Friday, July 9, 2010. 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.

Member Colleges and Campus Coordinators

The San Diego and Imperial Counties Community College Association (SDICCCA) is a collaborative effort among member colleges to offer students semester-long study abroad opportunities. Faculty from member colleges develop and teach the curriculum for the programs. For more information, contact your campus coordinator:

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