

Spanish Culture in Barcelona

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Our programme

The objective of this programme is to give students a comprehensive understanding of Spanish culture and society. Through a multidisciplinary approach, participants will explore Spain's rich history, dynamic society, and global influence. The program combines theoretical learning with hands-on experiences, including field trips to iconic locations that bring the classroom content to life.

Dates

4 weeks (6 ECTS)

Programme: June 30th to July 25th 2025

Application deadline

(two options according to accommodation needs)

Course and

Accommodation*: March, 26 2025

Course without

Accommodation: May, 30 2025

*student accommodation in the 22@ district (Barcelona) is optional and upon availability 29/06-26/07



Programme

1. Spanish culture and society

Discovering the Key issues that shape modern Spanish society

- The land and its people
- Values and customs
- Adapting to multiculturalism
- Spanish economy

2. Architecture in Barcelona: Gothic and Modernism

Barcelona as a referent city of the European architecture

- Gothic architecture and its historical context
- The importance of Modernism in the construction of the new Barcelona: Gaudí, Domènech i Montaner, Puig i Cadafalch

3. Fashion and design in Spain

Understanding the Spanish culture and society through Fashion and popular brands such as Zara, Mango, Desigual

- Clothing before the haute-couture system
- Dress and revolution
- Contemporary designers and industry: a global market

4. Spanish cinema

Providing a historical overview of the Spanish cinema

- The origin of the Spanish cinema (the silent era)
- Spanish cinema during the civil war (Bardem and Berlanga)
- Contemporary cinema. The end of censorship and the Spanish cinema for the world (Garci and Almodóvar among others)

5. Spanish Art: Picasso, Dalí and Miró

Uncovering the brilliant work of the three great geniuses of the Spanish art

- Cubism art by Pablo Picasso
- Surrealism art by Salvador Dalí and Joan Miró
- The artists' personalities and their relation with Barcelona

6. Food culture in Spain

The relevance of the fine cuisine in the Spanish society

- Spain as a land of master chefs: Ferran Adrià, Juan Mari Arzak, Roca brothers
- Eating as a social act

7. Sports in Spain: the case of F.C. Barcelona

Discovering the Catalan and Spanish sport system through F.C. Barcelona

- Popular sports in Spain
- Political issues involved in the Spanish sports context
- Sport management and business

8. Wine management in Spain

Understanding the Spanish wine industry

- Drinking as a social act
- New perspective towards the wine sector in the fields of business management
- Discovering different denominations of origin, learn about vineyards, wine production and marketing



9. Spain in the new era of Mass-communication

The structure of the Spanish media system

- Spain as an example of a Mediterranean media system
- The media market change as a result of the economic crisis
- Opportunities, challenges and difficulties of the Spanish media

10. Spanish music

From the typical music of bagpipes in Galicia to the feisty strumming of the flamenco guitar in Andalucía, Spanish music is one of the highlights of Spanish culture.

- Traditional Spanish music
- Spanish singers and music genres
- The case of Flamenco

Trips included:

- Gaudí Tour: Park Güell
- Gothic Quarter
- Picasso Museum
- Dalí Theater and Museum (Figueres)
- TV3 (Catalan TV Station)
- Modernism City Tour
- Disseny Hub
- Winery (including wine tasting)
- "Tablao Flamenco"
- Visit UVic-UCC facilities
- Estadi Olímpic



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