

# Summer Spanish Immersion in Salamanca, Spain 2010 Program Summary



Colorado Mountain College



Travel to Spain and study Spanish language while experiencing the Spanish culture. Colorado Mountain College is partnering with don Quijote, Spain's largest private language school. This unique summer study in Salamanca, Spain can be done by itself or as a complement to the Ireland program that immediately precedes this program.

- **Program Dates:** June 19<sup>th</sup> to July 17 (4wk), 2010 Additional weeks can be added
- **What courses are offered:** Spanish Immersion and Culture Seminar
- **Where:** Salamanca, Spain
- **Housing:** Four Weeks Single Host Family, 2 meals/day
  - All include weekend cultural excursions* \$2,500
  - Four Weeks Single Flat, no meals \$2,375
  - Four Weeks Double Flat, no meals \$2,250
  - Add'l Wks (depending on housing) \$400 to 550/wk
- **What's included in Language Program:** Four weeks of immersion Spanish classes, housing as listed above, Orientation, Welcome Dinner, City Tour, a weekend excursions to Avila and Segovia and other tours depending on scheduling.
- **What's not included:** Airfare, airport transportation and other ground transportation unless listed, personal expenses, meals unless listed, Passport or VISA expenses (if any), and CMC tuition
- **Extending Program Dates:** Students who wish to extend their studies beyond the four weeks to take additional course credit will approximately \$550 per additional week.
- **Prices may vary depending on the exchange rate.**
- **Early arrivals in Madrid** may want to consider a stay at either Mad Hostel or Hostal Aguilar; both are well located and reasonably priced. Check their web sites.

**Spain Contact Information** - leave a copy at home! (You will have email access!)

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**Spanish Language program:** Students will be placed according to ability level with no more than eight students to a class for four hours per day. The classes are mixed with students from other groups and countries.

**CMC Credit and Support:** CMC faculty support will depend on the number of students enrolled. If there aren't enough students for group travel, the program will still go but as an independent program. Students may take credits in Spanish and a cultural seminar. Students who have need of special courses not offered in Spain may want to consider a distance learning course. All on-site courses draw from Spain and Spanish culture for their subject matter.

Possible Spanish Classes you can take: (Number depends on length of study)

- SPA111 Spanish I (5 CR) \_\_\_\_\_
- SPA112 Spanish II (5 CR) \_\_\_\_\_
- SPA211 Spanish III (3 CR) \_\_\_\_\_
- SPA212 Spanish IV (3 CR) \_\_\_\_\_
- SPA101, SPA102, SPA201, SPA202-  
Spanish Conversation I, II, III, or IV (3 CR) \_\_\_\_\_
- SPA231- Advanced Spanish Conversation (3 CR) \_\_\_\_\_
- SPA235 – Spanish Reading-Writing (3 CR) \_\_\_\_\_
- SPA237 – Spanish Cinema (2 CR) \_\_\_\_\_
- SPA178- Seminar: Cultural Journey to Spain (3 CR) \_\_\_\_\_

### **What about Salamanca?**

*"On behalf of all those who work here, I would like to warmly welcome you to the magical city of Salamanca. Magical, because the ideal elements are here to be able to study in peace and a good atmosphere, combined with the possibility to go out and have a good time after a heavy day. According to tradition, Salamanca has always been characterized by its cultural atmosphere. The people who come to Salamanca remember the city for its educational institutions, its streets which are bursting with life (there are more than 50.000 young people studying at the university), its monuments (it was not for nothing that UNESCO named Salamanca the Guardian Angel of Humanity), its pure Castilian, its gastronomy and most especially the friendliness and hospitality of its inhabitants. In short, the city is something special. Hasta Pronto!"*

#### **JESÚS BAZ**

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The don Quijote school in Salamanca is located in the heart of the old city centre. The building is 100 meters from the famous University of Salamanca and just two minutes away from the magnificent Plaza Mayor. The school is a recently restored 16th-century monastery. The modern materials used for the renovation create a natural balance with the richness, style and class of previous centuries.

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The school courtyard. It was once a monastery



In class

You enter the school through a beautiful courtyard. This courtyard and the garden divide the school into three parts: the offices, the cafeteria and the classrooms. The main building has three floors, 17 classrooms, a recreation room (with computers, video, sound system, etc.), a library, a staff/lounge and three offices.

## Reasons to study Spanish in Salamanca

### THE CITY:

Population: 215.000.

Location: Mid West of Spain (in the Castile-Leon region).

The people of Salamanca speak the purest Spanish, which makes the city very popular for learning the language.

Salamanca is large enough to be able to offer the advantages of a big city but at the same time it has the friendly atmosphere of a small town.

It is the home of the world's second oldest university. It receives about 50.000 students every year, of which approximately 5.000 come from abroad.

Salamanca was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site and is known as "La Dorada" - the golden city-- because of the golden glow of its sandstone buildings.

### CULTURAL/RECREATIONAL:

- The Plaza Mayor of Salamanca is one of the most beautiful baroque squares in Spain.
- Madrid is only 200 Km. away.
- By train you can be in Portugal within an hour.
- The Sierra de Francia and Sierra de Gredos (mountains) surround Salamanca.
- You have plenty of opportunities to get in touch with nature and to discover typical small villages.
- In September, the Ferias and Fiestas de San Mateo are spectacular. For two weeks, there is a fully organized program of concerts, parades, exhibitions, bullfighting and markets.
- Salamanca is the perfect place to go out and have a good time.
- European cultural Capital in 2002.

### Student Housing and Meals:

What is half-board? Students receive breakfast and either lunch or dinner with the family.

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## **Travel Information: You will need a current passport!**

Students will have arranged their own transportation from the U.S. or from Dublin following the Live and Learn in Ireland Program with CMC. Students will fly into Madrid and there is a bus that goes directly from the airport to Salamanca. See [www.avanzabus.com](http://www.avanzabus.com). Ask for the Avanza Bus stop, don't let anyone convince you that you have to go into the city to get the bus –taking the bus from the airport to Salamanca will save you money and time. However, there are only four buses per day from the airport, so consider this when you plan your flight. Cost one-way is about 22 Euro.

The schedule is as follows:

Leaves 13:00 Barajas (Madrid Airport) Arrives Salamanca 15:45  
Leaves 17:00 Barajas (Madrid Airport) Arrives Salamanca 20:30  
Leaves 19:00 Barajas (Madrid Airport) Arrives Salamanca 21:45  
Leaves 21:00 Barajas (Madrid Airport) Arrives Salamanca 00:45

Students must arrange their own transportation to their families or student flats upon arrival in Salamanca (usually taxi) – Students will have their addresses before departure. Learn more about Madrid and Salamanca at <http://www.donquijote.org/travel/> or Forocio, a student travel agency, at <http://www.forocio.com>.

## **Student Visas - Important Information**

Our itinerary has been arranged so that students **will not** be required to get a Student Visa unless they plan to extend their stay in Schengen countries beyond the allowed 90 days. CMC is not responsible for assisting students in attaining a Student Visa. Please see the information on the **Schengen Countries** at this web site: <http://www.schengenvisa.cc/> CMC accepts no responsibility for students who extend their stay without a Visa.

Students can find Visa and other travel information at these sites:

[http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis\\_pa\\_tw/cis/cis\\_1024.html](http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1024.html)

[http://travel.state.gov/travel/living/studying/studying\\_1238.html](http://travel.state.gov/travel/living/studying/studying_1238.html)

### **Who is the Faculty Director?**

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**Mary Ebuna, Professor of Spanish at CMC Timberline Campus**, has over 25 years of experience teaching foreign language and has directed numerous study/travel abroad programs. Mary has traveled extensively through Latin America and Spain, and she enjoys sharing her language and other cultural experiences with her students.

**Send Summer Spain Immersion In Salamanca Applications to:** All written correspondence, checks, and applications should be sent directly to:

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