For slightly more than the cost of studying in Provo, you can join us for a semester abroad in Spain! Get in touch with your creativity and critical thinking as you see Spain through the lenses of its culture and society. Spain is one of the world’s most beautiful countries, fascinating for its diverse history, striking architecture, and stunning landscapes, and known for its vibrant creative scene and complex cultural and political mixes. Taught by instructors from Spain, you’ll learn the history and language of Spain, as well as religion (for GE credit). Through immersion in the culture, you will experience Spain firsthand, with a depth unavailable to the tourist. Student roommates will live in the charming town of Alcalá de Henares, birthplace of Cervantes, with its many church towers and chocolatiers. Alcalá is just outside of Madrid, where you’ll experience a wide range of cultural activities (the Prado Museum, the Reina Sofia Museum, theatres, flamenco dancing). In addition, you’ll have weekly excursions to visit the cities of Toledo, Granada, Sevilla, the falles in Valencia, and Barcelona; you’ll roam the beaches and museums of the Basque Country (Bilbao and San Sebastian) and explore the beauty of Santiago de Compostela. Study abroad is a unique opportunity to expand your vision of the world. Many students consider the program the highlight of their college careers.

DATES
13 January–7 April 2023 (approximately)

HOUSING
Students will be housed in university housing at Residencia Lope de Vega and in hotels for program excursions.

COURSES
Students must register for 12 credit hours while abroad. All students will take 12 credits of the following: IAS 201R Madrid Walks (1 credit hour), REL C 350* (2 credit hours), SPAN 395R (3 credit hours) AND 6 credit hours of Spanish courses:
SPAN 105 University Spanish 1 (4 credit hours) and SPAN 111R Spanish Conversation 1 (2 credit hours) OR
SPAN 106 University Spanish 2 (4 credit hours) and SPAN 112R Spanish Conversation 2 (2 credit hours) OR
SPAN 205* University Spanish 3 (4 credit hours) and SPAN 211R Spanish Conversation 3 (2 credit hours)
*Fulfills a university core requirement
SPAN 330 Introduction to Spanish Literature (3 credit hours)
SPAN 341 Survey of Spanish Literature (3 credit hours)
SPAN 345 Iberian Civilization (3 credit hours)
Students may not take any other courses on this program, including BYU Online courses, without approval by the program director and ISP.

COST
$8,900–9,500

Includes Latter-day Saint undergraduate full tuition (increased cost for graduate and non-Latter-day Saint students), housing, meals in Alcalá de Henares, a transportation pass, admissions, excursions, hotels with continental breakfast while away from Alcalá, Spanish course books, and international health insurance.

Not Included: airfare, meals on excursions, or personal expenses.

TRAVEL
Students are responsible for purchasing their own airfare to and from the program sites. Airline reservations must be made through BYU Travel. Students should contact a BYU Travel agent: 280 HRCB, (801) 422-6293, travel@byu.edu.

PREPARATION
Students should ideally have at least two years of high school Spanish, or have completed SPAN 101 and 102, or should be placed in SPAN 102 level by a diagnostic test. Students taking 300/400-level classes will need to have taken SPAN 321 with the exception of SPAN 395R.

Accepted students are required to participate in an international, cross-cultural preparation course (IAS 201, 1 credit hour). This evening course will be held during the second block of fall semester 2022. Part-time and non-BYU students will need to pay an additional tuition fee for enrolling in this prep class.

Students must meet all country- and program-specific COVID and health requirements for travel.

FUNDING SOURCES
Regular BYU tuition scholarships, Pell Grants, and Federal Insured Student Loans may be applied to study abroad programs. Students who submit the financial aid section of the ISP application and who have a current FAFSA form on file at the Financial Aid Office (A-41 ASB) will be considered for a study abroad scholarship and may be considered for other scholarships. Academic departments and colleges may assist with scholarships and grants. Private grants and scholarships outside of BYU may also assist (see kennedy.byu.edu/scholarships).

APPLICATION PROCESS
Students must be 18 years-of-age or older to participate.

Complete the online application at kennedy.byu.edu/isp-apply. The application requires a $35 fee.

Applicants will be interviewed once the application is complete.

Students will be notified via e-mail of their acceptance into the program.

The first payment is due upon acceptance.

Deadline: 3 October 2022

FACULTY
Juan A. Freire, Ph.D., from the Department of Teacher Education, will be directing this study abroad program. He is a native from Spain who lived in Alcalá de Henares (where the study abroad program will be held) his whole life until he moved with his wife to Utah.

Please feel free to contact him with any questions at freire@byu.edu.

SCHEDULE AND TIME COMMITMENT
Students should plan to be in Spain from 13 January–7 April (approximately) and refrain from scheduling late arrivals or early departures.

INTERESTED STUDENTS SHOULD CONTACT
International Study Programs
101 HRCB | (801) 422-3686
isp@byu.edu | kennedy.byu.edu/isp

PROGRAM ADJUSTMENTS
International Study Programs (ISP) reserves the right to cancel this program, revise its offerings, or make any adjustments to the preliminary cost. If it becomes necessary for ISP to cancel a program, all program payments made to BYU ISP will be refunded to the student’s BYU Financial account. ISP is the only office authorized to cancel any of its programs.