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 fallas in Valencia, and Barcelona; you’ll roam the beaches and museums of the Basque Country (Bilbao and San Sebastián) 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 2024 (approx.)

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 the following courses:
IAS 201R—Madrid Walks (1 credit hour)
REL C 350*—Religious Studies in a World Setting (2 credit hours)
SPAN 395R—Contemporary Culture (3 credit hours)

Students must also enroll in 6 credit hours from the following Spanish courses:
SPAN 205*—University Spanish 3 (4 credit hours) and SPAN 211R—Spanish Conversation 3 (2 credit hours)
SPAN 321—Third Year Spanish Reading, Grammar, and Culture (3 credit hours)
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)

*Fulfills a university core requirement
Students may not take any other courses on this program, including BYU Online courses, without approval by the program director and ISP.

COST
$9,300–9,800

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.

Does not include 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. BYU Travel | 280 HRCB | (801) 422-6293 | travel@byu.edu.

PREPARATION
Before participating in the program, students should ideally have completed one of the following: at least two years of high school Spanish; SPAN 101 and 102; or be placed at SPAN 102 level by a diagnostic test. SPAN 321 is a prerequisite for all SPAN 300/400-level classes, except for SPAN 395R.
Accepted students are required to participate in an international, cross-cultural preparation course (IAS 201, 1 credit hour). This course will be held during the second block of fall semester 2023. 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. 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. A nonrefundable $35 application fee is required.
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. Please refer to the 2024 Payment Information page.

Application Deadline: 3 October 2023

FACULTY
Gregory and Gloria Stallings, from the Department of Spanish and Portuguese, will be directing this study abroad program. Please feel free to contact them with any questions at gregory_stallings@byu.edu or gloriastallings@gmail.com

SCHEDULE AND TIME COMMITMENT
Students should plan to be in Spain from 13 January to 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.