For thousands of years, Spain has been at the crossroads where diverse cultures and civilizations have met. Basques, Romans, Visigoths, Arabs, and many other peoples have found a home on the Iberian Peninsula. For the last five centuries, the history of Spain has been marked by an ambitious attempt to forge diverse ethnic and linguistic groups into a single, unified nation but Spain remains an intricate mosaic of cultures. We will explore something of Spain’s heritage as we walk the medieval streets of Toledo, take in the beauty of Córdoba’s mosque, and contemplate the engineering marvels of Segovia’s Roman aqueduct. We will study the works of artists such as Velázquez, Goya, Picasso, and Dalí. And we will walk in the footsteps of Spain’s greatest authors, Cervantes, Galdós, and Unamuno, and see the places that inspired their works.

The program is based in Alcalá de Henares, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Alcalá is a safe and inviting city close to Madrid where students can become intimately familiar with some incredible landmarks, including the Prado Museum, the Parque del Buen Retiro, and the Puerta del Sol. Alcalá is home to one of the oldest universities in all of Europe and was the birthplace of Miguel de Cervantes.

DATES
23 April–18 June 2022 (approximately)

HOUSING
Students will live in the residence hall Lope de Vega of the Universidad de Alcalá. This residence is centrally located and students will interact with other university students from Spain and Latin America.

COURSES
Students must register for 1 credit of SPAN 395R and 6-7 credit hours from among the following classes:

SPAN 311R Spanish Conversation 5 (2 credit hours)
SPAN 321 3rd-Yr Span Read, Gram & Culture (3 credit hours)
SPAN 339 Intro to Spanish Literature (3 credit hours)
SPAN 345 Iberian Civilization (3 credit hours)
SPAN 441 Survey of Spanish Literature (3 credit hours)
SPAN 480R Directed Research in Spanish (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
$6,500–6,800

Includes Latter-day Saint, undergraduate full tuition (increased cost for graduate and non-Latter-day Saint students), housing, most meals, a transportation pass to trains, buses and subway, admissions, excursions, hotels with continental breakfast while away from Alcalá, and international health insurance.

Not included: airfare, meals on excursions, 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
Students must have completed SPAN 206 or demonstrate equivalent proficiency. All students who are accepted into the program 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 winter semester 2022.

Part-time and non-BYU students will need to pay an additional tuition fee for enrolling in the prep class.

Accompanying spouses need to be credit-bearing participants on the program. Spouses will also need to apply online and take the preparation course.

All participants are required to show proof of complete COVID-19 vaccination by the time the preparation class begins.

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. They must indicate on their original online application that they want to be considered for financial aid. The College of Humanities will offer program discounts of up to $3,000, based on financial need, to majors within the College. 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/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 2022 Payment Information document (see kennedy.byu.edu/isp-forms/ISPpayments2022.pdf).

Priority Deadline: 30 November 2021

FACULTY
Daryl Hague is the faculty program director. He is a professor of Spanish translation in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese.

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SCHEDULE AND TIME COMMITMENT
The program is tentatively scheduled to begin on 23 April, with students completing the program on 18 June. More specific recommendations regarding travel will be provided to program participants in the preparation course.

INTERESTED STUDENTS SHOULD CONTACT
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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.