Summer in Madrid, Spain

with San Francisco State University
College of Extended Learning

Program dates:
July 5 - August 2, 2007
Immerse yourself in experiential learning – Spend the Summer in Madrid with San Francisco State University and ACCENT. Madrid becomes an extension of your classroom as you explore Spanish parks, monuments, churches, and museums while attending Spanish Grammar and Conversation classes at the Don Quijote Language School at the beginning, intermediate and advanced levels, as well as Art History and Spanish Civilization lectures with local and visiting faculty. Participants on the Summer in Madrid program live in student apartments or in homestays located throughout the city and have the opportunity to attend cultural events and optional social activities organized by the ACCENT Madrid Center staff. The ACCENT Madrid Center also provides support and guidance to students on each of its programs.

Once you have enrolled, you will receive more detailed application and enrollment forms as well as a student handbook. If you have questions about this program, please feel free to contact us at any time: ACCENT 800.869.9291, Michael Hammer 415.338.1658, mhammer@sfsu.edu, Gustavo Calderón 415.338.7426 or Short-term Study Abroad Programs at SFSU College of Extended Learning, 415.405.3532 or kjmac@sfsu.edu.

Student Services: The ACCENT Centers
ACCENT is an independent study abroad program provider with a multinational team of staff members who all have personal experiences in study abroad. With more than 20 years of experience coordinating high-quality overseas study programs, ACCENT works in partnership with U.S. colleges and universities to develop academically challenging and culturally enriching overseas study experiences in Paris, Florence, London, Madrid and Rome. Each city is home to a fully staffed ACCENT Center that serves as a home base for program participants. The ACCENT San Francisco Center coordinates program enrollment and pre-departure preparation for students, helping to make their transition to living overseas as smooth as possible.

The ACCENT Madrid Center is located in the Castelani neighborhood of Chamberi, near the city’s financial district. The Madrid Center and classrooms are located within the facilities of the historic Instituto Internacional which is just a short walk from shops, cinemas, restaurants, museums and libraries. The study center provides a student common area with adjacent garden, a cafeteria, a 70,000 volume library and student study area, as well as DSL and wireless connections for laptops. The ACCENT Center is open during the week for students to use the resource and lending library, ask questions and collect their mail.

Transferable Academic Credit
The Summer in Madrid program is offered for four semester units of transferable academic college credit through San Francisco State University. San Francisco State University, College of Extended Learning, part of the California State University system, will provide a transcript upon request for the courses completed overseas. Semester units are generally transferable to all other universities. Please verify the transferability of courses with your advisor or registrar before you apply.

Application and Enrollment
The Summer in Madrid program is open to anyone 18 or older at the time of application. Program space is limited. Students who meet eligibility requirements should send in the attached application with the $250 non-refundable first payment as soon as possible. Upon receipt of your application and first payment, ACCENT and San Francisco State University will send you additional information and enrollment forms. Applications and enrollment forms must be received by April 19, 2007. Beyond April 19, limited enrollment is allowed, when space permits.
Program Timetable:
Application due: with first payment
Final payment due: April 19
Pre-departure orientation: May (TBD)
Departure from U.S.: July 4
Arrival in Madrid: July 5
Overseas orientation: July 6
Classes begin: July 7
Return to U.S.: August 2

Program Faculty
Lead program faculty, Dr. Michael Hammer, is an assistant professor of Spanish literature and the coordinator of the Spanish graduate program at San Francisco State University. A native of Southern California, Dr. Hammer received his Ph.D. from the University of California at Los Angeles in 2003. Since that time Dr. Hammer has been at San Francisco State, where he teaches a wide variety of courses in Spanish language, literature and culture. He particularly enjoys the literature and history of the Middle Ages and the Siglo de Oro. Dr. Hammer loves Spain, and is looking forward to participating in the ACCENT Summer in Madrid program.

Dr. Gustavo Calderón is a professor of Spanish and Latin American literature, and the coordinator of the Spanish program at San Francisco State University. He has taught at SFSU for thirteen years as well as at the State University of New York and the University of Iowa. He is a native of Pereira, Colombia, South America, the coffee capital of the world. Dr. Calderón is himself an enthusiastic product of summer abroad programs. While a student from South America he studied in the United States, Spain, and France. A noted teacher, Dr. Calderón is also a world traveler, with multicultural academic and intellectual interests which have led him throughout Latin America and Europe, to India and the Middle East. His particular interest and most frequent destination: Spain. Dr. Calderón, of Spanish Sephardic heritage, will provide this summer in Spain program with a truly comparative, informed and exciting perspective on Spanish civilization and culture. Dr. Calderón has completed four Summer in Madrid programs with ACCENT from 2002 to 2005 with great success. Dr. Calderón will be additional support faculty, contingent on the number of participating students.

Cultural Program
Cultural learning is an integral part of the Summer in Madrid program. Participants attend on-site lectures at museums and historical sites within and outside of Madrid. Two one-day excursions to Segovia and Avila including transportation and entry costs are included in the program. In addition, students take part in a cultural activity series that includes one classical music concert, opera or ballet performance. Excursions are chosen based on the academic curriculum and are subject to change.

The Academic Curriculum
Language classes are held in Madrid at the Don Quijote Language School. Students will integrate into Don Quijote courses and share the classroom with other international students. Students can expect to be in class a minimum of four hours per day, five days per week. Four units of credit will be granted through San Francisco State University. Current San Francisco State University students may consult Dr. Hammer or Dr. Calderón regarding transferable Spanish credits. Students on the Summer in Madrid program participate in the following courses:

Spanish Language 20 hours/week
Language classes take place at the Don Quijote Language School, which specializes in Spanish language instruction for foreigners. Spanish language courses are taught at levels from beginning to advanced. Students are placed into the appropriate level upon arrival. Classes meet five days a week.

Art History 2 hours/week
Four on-site lectures which highlight the masterpieces of Art History in Madrid, designed to give the language student the opportunity to visit major monuments and museums with an Art Historian. Visits may include the Museo del Prado, Centro Nacional de Arte Reina Sofia, and the Coleccion Thyssen-Bornemisza. Meets once per week for two hours.

Spanish Civilization 2 hours/week
The focus of the Spanish Civilization seminar will be Spanish contemporary culture in its historical context: How did modern Spain come about, and why are we seeing what we are seeing? Each week students will look at Spain from a different perspective: Historical (art, literature, etc.), modern (the political scene, Spanish life, the European Union, etc.) and the Spain of the future (Spain and Latin America, la autonomía española). In the concluding week students will fuse all of this into a class “mosaic”, giving a sense of how individual reactions combine into a more complete picture of this complex land and its people. A series of four bilingual lectures, two hours per week will be given by the professor, with a brief position paper required of the students for each perspective. This seminar is taught in English with some basic terms in Spanish.

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*Please note that ACCENT does not accept post-dated checks, credit cards or credit card checks.*

I have carefully read the brochure for the Summer in Madrid Program and wish to apply. I agree to the terms and conditions stated in the program brochure, including the payment and refund policies. I understand that if there are any changes in the terms and conditions ACCENT will notify me in writing. The applicant shall be the client of ACCENT for all purposes. Any applicable refunds will be returned to the applicant regardless of the source of payment. *Please type or print clearly in black ink.*

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How did you hear about this program? (please be as specific as possible)

Please return this application with the $250 non-refundable first payment, made payable to ACCENT, to:

ACCENT  •  870 Market Street, Suite 1026  •  San Francisco, CA 94102
Program Price:  
Apartment: $3675  
Homestay: $4075  
plus a $100 refundable security deposit

Program Price Includes  
• Double room in shared student apartment or double room in a homestay (see prices above)  
• Breakfast and dinner daily for homestay participants  
• Tuition at Don Quijote language school  
• Two one-day excursions to Segovia and Avila, including transportation and entry fees  
• Cultural activity series including a concert, ballet, or opera evening performance  
• Pre-departure and overseas orientation program  
• Overseas information and resource center with ACCENT Madrid on-site staff  
• Zone A (Madrid Capital) transit pass for bus and metro  
• International Student Identity Card with limited overseas travel insurance  
• SFSU fees equivalent to $860 of tuition credit (4 units)

Program Price Does Not Include  
• Round-trip airfare  
• Optional $200 single room supplement in an apartment  
• Optional $100 single room supplement in a homestay  
• Meals except as specified  
• Required medical insurance  
• Personal expenses, books, passports, visas, and anything not listed as included  
• Travel and personal property insurance

Transportation  
All participants must check-in at the ACCENT Madrid Center July 5, 2007 between 9am and 6pm (Note: most transatlantic flights arrive one day after their departure date).

Payment Schedule  
Non-refundable first payment $250  
Final payment due April 19, 2007  
Apartment: $3525  
Homestay: $3925

The above breakdowns include the $100 refundable security deposit. The payment schedule is the applicant’s contractual obligation. Failure to make each payment when due shall automatically cancel participant from the program one week after payment due date. All payments are effective the day they are received by the ACCENT San Francisco Center. ACCENT, in its sole discretion, may reinstate an applicant subject to availability of space and late enrollment fees. All prices and fees reflect exchange rates current as of Oct. 2006 and are subject to change. ACCENT charges a $20 bounced check fee for each check received that is not promptly paid by your bank in the normal course of business.

Student Housing  
Students may choose to live in double or single rooms in shared student apartments or in Spanish homes. Single rooms in apartments are limited and require a supplement of $200. Single rooms in homestays require a supplement of $100. Housing is provided from the first day of the program (July 5, 2007).

Meals  
Breakfast and dinner are provided daily for homestay participants. Meals are not provided for student apartment participants although each student apartment has a fully equipped kitchen.

Cancellations  
All cancellations must be made in writing to ACCENT and San Francisco State University and are effective the date of receipt. Participants are liable for payments until written cancellation is received by ACCENT.

Cancellation Fees:  
70 days or more prior to start of program $250  
50 to 69 days prior to start of program $500  
30 to 49 days prior to start of program $750  
8 to 29 days prior to start of program $1000  
0 to 7 days prior to start of program No Refund

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ACCENT is not responsible for the academic segment of the program except as specified in the contract between ACCENT and San Francisco State University. Nor is ACCENT responsible for airline delays of any kind, for expenses or loss incurred as a result of such delays. With regard to transportation/travel, regardless of the type of vehicle, ACCENT acts for the passenger as agent only. ACCENT assumes no liability for accident, injury, damage, or loss in any vehicle, or as a result of default by any person or company engaged in transporting the passenger. CST #1013432-40.

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