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# Spain

May 14 - May 26  
4 HOURS CREDIT

Barcelona:  
Marvels of  
Medieval Spain  
and Catalonia

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2014



## Barcelona, Spain

### TENTATIVE ITINERARY

Highlights of the program are provided below. The university reserves the right to alter travel and other arrangements if required by circumstances.

- May 14 - 20 Barcelona (From Barcino to Wilfred the Hairy).
- May 13 Depart Atlanta for Barcelona (BCN).
- May 14 Arrive in Barcelona. (Professor will meet students at the Barcelona airport.)
- May 15 Barcelona city tour of medieval Gothic quarter. Barcelona: Culinary History Tour.
- May 16 MNAC Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya.
- May 17 Journey to the the Pyrenees Mountains and the "origins" of Catalunya - Ripoll and Vall de Nuria.
- May 18 Train to Girona: Muslim baths and Jewish culture.
- May 19 Cathedrals of Barcelona (From Romanesque to Gothic) monastery of Pedralbes or Montserrat.

May 20 - 21  
Residence  
May 20

Valencia, (El Cid).  
TBA.

Trip to Valencia (Keep big suitcases at hotel - bring small carryon bag.) Stop in Tarragona (Roman ruins) and/or Tortosa (castle).

May 21

Valencia - Cathedral of the Holy Grail. Llotja de la Seda. Return to Barcelona by train.

May 22-26

Barcelona at its height.

May 23

Barcelona. Gaudí and Palau Música.

May 24

Free day. Optional trip to Sitges Beach.

May 25

Train to Vic Ecclesiastical Museum (Muslim Textiles and Christian Vestments).

May 26

Return to Atlanta.

### CONTACT

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Course also offered for graduate credit. Inquire about obtaining additional, directed reading credit.

### APPLICATION DEADLINE: February 1, 2014

Because program size is limited, early application is strongly advised. Individual interviews may be scheduled with students upon receipt of application.



# Barcelona: The Marvels of Catalonia, Spain

## THE PROGRAM

Troubadours. Geometry. Spectacular Gothic and Romanesque architecture. Rich culinary and artistic culture. The Pyrenees Mountains and the beautiful coast. Barcelona, the capital of Catalonia, is one of Europe's most vibrant and diverse cities. It was also a major medieval port and capital of a Mediterranean Empire. Although not ruled by Moors as long as southern Spain, this region has long been influenced by Muslim, Jewish and Christian cultures. This course will examine the interactions among Muslims, Jews and Christians in medieval Catalonia. It will also study how medieval Barcelona grew to be a capital of trade and commerce, setting a precedent for later Spanish empire and conquest.

Based in a comfortable and central hotel in the medieval, Gothic Quarter of Barcelona with its winding streets and lost alleyways, we will go on several day trips. First, to the Pyrenees Mountains to visit the monastery of Ripoll where the founders of Medieval Catalonia are buried and where some of the world's best-preserved Romanesque sculpture can be found.

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We will also travel to Gerona to study the Moorish baths and the lasting influence of medieval Jewish culture. We will spend at least one night in the city of Valencia, an important port once ruled by El Cid. On the way we will visit the small medieval city of Tortosa and the ancient ruins of Tarragona. Finally, back at our base in Barcelona, we will explore everything the city has to offer, including one day dedicated to more modern wonders the Sagrada Familia of Gaudí and the Palau Música.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

The clean, comfortable and air-conditioned hotel is in the medieval Gothic Quarter, the center of Barcelona. Liceu Subway Station.

### Disability Accommodations

*Students with documented disabilities who may need accommodations during their study abroad experience should discuss these needs with the Program Director and the Office of Disability Services at the time of application.*

## ELIGIBILITY

The program is open to undergraduate and graduate students who meet all academic requirements of Georgia State University. Transient and post-baccalaureate students are welcome to apply. Program size is limited and participation is contingent upon acceptance by the program director.

### Required Texts:

- María Menocal, *Ornament of the World, How Muslims, Christians and Jews Created a Culture of Tolerance in Medieval Spain.*
- David Nirenberg, *Communities of Violence, Persecution of Minorities in the Middle Ages.*

## CREDITS AND COURSES

Participants who successfully complete this course will receive four semester hours of course credit at Georgia State. Undergraduate students should register for HIST 4890 or MES 4750 and graduate students should register for HIST 8890. Students from other institutions should follow their institution's regulations concerning transfer credits.

## COST

Program cost may vary at any time according to currency fluctuations and changing travel arrangements. The program cost is tentatively set at \$1,999 **PLUS** regular Georgia State tuition and fees. Non-resident/out-of-state students will pay in-state tuition plus a \$250 fee in addition to the program cost.

### Price Includes:

- Ground transportation, excursions and entrance fees
- Some meals
- Hotels
- Health/Evacuation/Repatriation insurance

### Price Does NOT Include:

- Georgia State tuition and fees
- Airfare
- Public transportation
- Passport and visa fees
- Personal expenses and excess baggage charges

### PAYMENT SCHEDULE

**February 1, 2014** – \$500 deposit with application

**March 1, 2014** – \$749.50 payment

**March 15, 2014** – \$749.50 remaining balance  
(All payments are non-refundable upon receipt.)

Please pay your program deposit by finding the program listing at [www.gsu.edu/studyabroad](http://www.gsu.edu/studyabroad) and following the payment instructions listed there. See your program director for more information. Please refer to the Academic/Registration calendar for the tuition and fees deadline. Tuition and fees need to be paid in full before departure.

*Students will receive refunds for any funds not expended on the trip. The cost of the trip is calculated to include all possible contingencies and expenses. Past students on Marvels of Medieval Spain trips have seen refunds, sometimes substantial. There is no guarantee a refund will be possible.*

## FUNDING AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Georgia State students may be eligible to apply for the IEF Study Abroad Scholarship and the Global



Experience Scholarship. Visit [www.gsu.edu/studyabroad](http://www.gsu.edu/studyabroad) or contact the Office of International Affairs, Study Abroad Programs at **404-413-2529** for more information about these and other scholarships.

Contact the Office of Financial Aid at **404-413-2400** for information on how financial aid might apply toward the program.

Students have the option of purchasing an "International Student ID Card" from STA Travel for travel discounts in participating countries. For more information, visit the STA Travel website at [www.sta-travel.com](http://www.sta-travel.com).

## APPLICATION INFORMATION

Students interested in applying should find this program's listing at <http://www.studyabroad.gsu.edu/?go=MEIspain> and begin an online application.

**Transient Students:** Please see *Transient Student* page at [www.gsu.edu/studyabroad](http://www.gsu.edu/studyabroad).

International students at Georgia State who hold F-1 visas must contact the Office of International Student and Scholar Services at **404-413-2070** to discuss the possible implications of study abroad for their immigration status.

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