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The CIEE Study Center in Barcelona was established in 2003. The center is located in International House, a historic Art Nouveau building near Plaza Urquinaona and Plaza Catalunya, Barcelona’s main square.

The program has evolved since its inception. It offers several different tracks, which are kept as distinct as possible, including housing. The program began with two tracks, Business and Culture (BC) and Liberal Arts. The original Liberal Arts track will be converted to two tracks to being two distinct programs beginning in spring 2008: Language and Culture (LC) for the lower level and Liberal Arts (LA) for the higher level, with courses at the Universitat Pompeu Fabra. The Advanced Liberal Arts (ALA) track, which offers direct enrollment at the Universitat de Barcelona, was begun in fall 2005. The willingness to continue to adapt the program to meet students’ speaks well of the program. CIEE supports intensive external reviews of its programs every 5 years. (After consulting with our colleagues at the Department of Economics we have decided not to include the Business and Culture option in the proposal.)

CIEE classes are taught at the International House (where the CIEE office is housed). CIEE courses are taught by local university faculty. All programs have classes that meet M-F. Spanish language classes are in the morning.

Partner Universities:
The Universitat Pompeu Fabra (UPF) was created in 1990. It offers degrees in law, economics, business, social sciences, communications, humanities, and technology. Features include its highly dedicated teaching staff, small class size, focus on technology, and an international outlook. The University is located in renovated historic buildings
close to the Ciutadella Park, the Ramblas, the Olympic Village, and the port. Courses in English (LC) or Spanish (AL) designed for foreign students through their HESP program and direct enrollment in preselected courses (LA students only). HESP courses are taught by faculty from the Universitat Pompeu Fabra. Their language courses (LC) are taught by experienced professors specialized in teaching Spanish as a second language.

**Universitat de Barcelona (UB)** (for Advanced Liberal Arts program students only)
Founded in 1450, it has four campuses in different parts of the city and is the oldest and largest of six universities in Barcelona. It has 76,000 students and is the second largest in terms of student numbers in Spain. The Department of Modern Languages (Facultad de Filología) is located downtown at University Plaza, which is walking distance from the CIEE office. Other UB departments are located in the Pedralbes section of Barcelona in the Northwest part of the city, about a 20-minute metro ride from the CIEE office.

Common to all the programs (although separate):

**Placement Test**
All students take a Spanish placement exam that places them in the appropriate Spanish language course. CIEE reserves the right to place participants in the language course for which the student is best prepared based on the results of on-site diagnostic testing.

**Credit**
All students must enroll in at least 5 courses for a total of 15 semester credits. Students are permitted to take an additional elective for a total of 6 courses or 18 semester credits.

**Calendar:**
**Language and Culture / Liberal Arts:** Semester or Academic Year
Fall (15 weeks): Late August until just before Christmas.
Spring (16 weeks): Early January until the end of April.

**Advanced Liberal Arts:** Academic year or Spring only
Academic Year: 42 weeks, late August - late June/early July
Spring: 21 weeks, mid-January - late June/early July
(Because the Fall semester does not end until late January or early February, Vanderbilt students will not be able to attend this as a Fall only program. The Resident Director and the Academic Adviser are working on different program models for the fall semester that would allow more students to attend classes at the Universitat de Barcelona.

**Academic Culture:**
CIEE and HESP courses are academically challenging, dynamic, and involve daily reading and homework assignments as well as regular attendance at lectures. The size of HESP courses does not exceed 35 students. CIEE courses rarely exceed 20 students. UPF language courses have an average of 15-18 students per class. UPF classrooms are modern, comfortable, and equipped with up-to-date technology used for instruction.
Course listings are for informational purposes only and do not constitute a contract between CIEE and any applicant, student, institution, or other party. The courses, as described, may be subject to changes as a result of ongoing curricular revisions, assignment of lecturers and teaching staff, and program development. Courses may be cancelled due to insufficient enrollment. Syllabi for the CIEE courses listed above are available upon request.

Orientation
A week-long orientation session conducted at the beginning of the program introduces students to the country, culture, and the academic program, and provides practical information about living in Spain, and in particular, Barcelona. Themes such as the Spanish university system, banking, safety, how and where to shop, bilingualism in Catalonia, cultural adaptation, and many others are covered. A diagnostic language skills examination is also conducted to identify the linguistic level of all participants so that each student is placed in appropriate courses. Orientation includes both structured cultural activities and independent sightseeing and is maintained on an individual and group basis throughout the program.

Housing and Meals (Same price charged for residencies as homestays.)
**Homestay** (obligatory for all Language and Culture students, **recommended option** for other programs)
CIEE policy is one student per house in homestay, but in Spring this is modified to include some with two students in individual rooms. All homestays are located in the city of Barcelona and students take public transportation to their classes, on average a 30-minute commute by metro or bus to the city center. The homestay experience includes breakfast and dinner. Lunch is at the student’s own expense and many eat at the several University-run cafeterias. All homestays are located in the city of Barcelona and students take public transportation to their classes, on average a 30-minute commute by metro or bus to the city center.

**Residencia** (Liberal Arts and Advanced Liberal Arts students only)
The residencia is located a short walk or metro ride from UPF and the CIEE offices. Students who choose the residencia live with Spanish or other international students. Meals are not included in the student residencia option, but each private room in the residencia has a fully equipped small kitchen for students to prepare their own meals. The residencia is located a short walk or metro ride from UPF and the CIEE offices. As space in the residencia is limited, students who are not placed there are placed in a homestay.

**New residencia option for Advanced Liberal Arts**: Colegio Mayor San Jordi, associated with the UB. Housing with other Spanish or international students attending the UB (limited availability). All meals are included in the UB student residencia option. **The rooms are doubles with an in-suite bathroom, internet and air conditioning.** Services include: Lodging - Dining room – Bar – Classrooms - Hall - Sports track - Computer room - Offices - Library - -Laundry - Games room - Air conditioning and heating – Bike rental - Gym - Cultural and recreational activities – Daily press. Located next to the Diagonal between Francesc Macià square and Maria Cristina square As space in the residencia may be limited, students who are not placed there are placed in a homestay.
Internet
Students receive a UPF or UB e-mail account and have access to all University computer rooms for class-related activities. UPF students also receive a code and password for Campus Global (the UPF Intranet), which gives them access to class notes, professor contact information, and phone numbers of classmates. Additionally, all students can use the computer room at International House, down the hall from the CIEE office. The student residencias are equipped with Internet access for laptop hook-up. Homestays may not have Internet access. Students are encouraged to bring wireless-enabled laptops.

Guardian Angels (Ángeles de la Guardia)
CIEE Guardian Angels are local students who accompany CIEE students on group activities and also participate in field trips and other events. Guardian Angels are like big brothers and sisters, helping students to make friends at the University, introducing them to the city's culture, and generally helping them adapt to life in Barcelona. There are approximately 10 students to each GA; 5 activities per group.

Cultural Activities and Field Trips
The academic program is supplemented with required field trips and excursions, which include visits in Barcelona (art and history museums, cathedral, port, guided tours of the historical district, etc.) and day excursions to locations such as the Natural Park of La Garrotxa, Greek and Roman Ruins at Empúries, Salvador Dali’s home in Cadaqués, the Jewish quarter in Girona, the Roman amphitheater in Tarragona, and the lush Penedés wine region. CIEE offers one weekend trip to one of the following destinations: Cuenca, Madrid, Mallorca, the Pyrenees, Zaragoza, or Spain’s northern coast. Field trips and excursions supplement classwork and introduce students to the rich diversity of the geographic, linguistic, and cultural areas of Spain and its major cities.

Other cultural activities include those designed to bring American and Spanish University students together including conversation exchanges with Spanish students. CIEE also organizes Spanish cooking classes. Although there are no formal community service activities on this program, volunteer opportunities can be arranged by CIEE staff.

CIEE Language Commitment
As beginning and intermediate students gain proficiency in Spanish, resident staff encourages them to use their language skills in everyday settings. More advanced students take part in the CIEE Community Language Commitment by speaking Spanish at all times (except in emergencies). This fosters a learning community that contributes to both Spanish language proficiency and understanding of Spanish society.

A Note on Catalan
Castilian Spanish and Catalan are both official languages in Barcelona and the region. Catalan is regularly used in all aspects of life, but not imposed on non-Catalan speakers. Taxi drivers, shopkeepers, service representatives, professors, and homestay families all speak clear Castilian whenever a Spanish-speaker is present. Spanish is widely used at the university and CIEE students are advised on which classes are taught in Spanish.
While it is not necessary to speak Catalan to survive in Barcelona, you will find that learning a few words can be an enjoyable experience and open doors to making friends with your hosts.

**Included in fees**
The CIEE fees include an optional on-site airport meet and greet, full-time leadership and support, tuition, housing (with 0-3 meals according to the chosen housing plan), orientation, organized cultural activities such as museums, cathedrals, and the port, local excursions to Girona and Tarragona, and field trips to locations such as Madrid or Spain's northern coast, predeparture advising, and a CIEE iNext travel card which provides insurance and other travel benefits.

**Which program is appropriate for Vanderbilt students?**
Those who have taken Span 100/101 and/or Span 102: **Language and Culture**
Those who have taken Span 104+: **Liberal Arts**
Those who have taken through Span 203: **Liberal Arts** or **Advanced Liberal Arts**
(Academic Year or Spring) – Liberal Arts students with 203 background must take at least two mainstream university courses.)

(The Department recommends that since the 5-credit Spanish 104 on campus is designed to be equivalent to the normal sequence of two 3 credit semesters of second year Spanish, students who have completed Span 104 should be ready for the Liberal Arts program. This may have to be negotiated.)

*VU course equivalencies are contingent on review of syllabi.*

**Language and Culture**
**Requirements:**
* Overall GPA 3.0
* Junior year status
* 1-3 semesters of college-level Spanish or equivalent (= VU Span 100/101 and/or 102)
All students enroll in a six hour beginning or intermediate Spanish at UPF, a required CIEE course, and additional CIEE courses or courses through the Hispanic and European Studies Program (HESP) at UPF. CIEE and HESP courses are taught in English and focus on Spanish culture and civilization in the wider context of Europe.

**Language of Instruction**
English and Spanish

**Housing**
Spanish homestays

**Academic Program**
The Language and Culture program is designed for students who are interested in beginning to study the Spanish language or improving on their basic language skills while taking classes in Spanish language, history, politics, art, and culture.
All students enroll in beginning or intermediate Spanish at UPF, a required CIEE course, and additional CIEE courses or courses through the Hispanic and European Studies Program (HESP) at UPF. CIEE and HESP courses are taught in English and focus on Spanish culture and civilization in the wider context of Europe.

Contact hours for CIEE and Hispanic and European Studies (HESP) courses are 45 hours and recommended credit is 3 semester/4.5 quarter hours, unless otherwise indicated. Required language courses have 90 contact hours and 6 semester/9 quarter hours.

**Academic Culture**

CIEE courses are held in the CIEE Study Center. The language and HESP courses are taught at UPF.

CIEE and HESP courses are academically challenging, dynamic, and involve daily reading and homework assignments as well as regular attendance at lectures. The size of HESP courses does not exceed 35 students. CIEE courses rarely exceed 20 students. UPF language courses have an average of 15-18 students per class. UPF classrooms are modern, comfortable, and equipped with the most up-to-date technology used for instruction.

The fall semester program begins in late August and ends just before Christmas. The spring semester program begins in early January and runs through the end of April. Early departure for or late return from vacation is not allowed. Any extended travel should take place prior to the start of the program, during vacation periods, or upon completion of the program.

**Grading System**

In CIEE and HESP courses, students are graded on the basis of class participation, in-class activities, homework assignments, examinations, papers, and oral presentations, similar to standards in the United States. Spanish professors grade on a ten-point scale, which is converted to a letter grade.

Students must check with their professors to find out important exam and other due dates. Under no circumstances will CIEE alter the deadline for a student who has booked travel on an exam or assignment due date.

**Program Requirements**

All students take a Spanish placement exam that places them in the appropriate UPF Spanish language course. The language courses meet intensively during the first two weeks and continue at a regular pace through the rest of the semester.

All students are required to enroll in beginning or intermediate Spanish, a CIEE course, and two electives chosen from CIEE or HESP courses. The CIEE and HESP courses are taught in English.
Courses

Required Language Courses
These courses are 90 hours/6 semester credits. They meet for 12.5 hours per week during the first two weeks and six hours per week for the remainder of the semester.

**Beginning Spanish Language (VU Equivalent = Span 102)**
(Prerequisite: 1 semester college-level Spanish or the equivalent)
This course uses a communicative approach, focusing on what students can do with the language as much as what they know about the language. By the end of this course, students understand phrases and expressions of common use, communicate when carrying out everyday tasks, know how to describe aspects of one’s own past and surroundings, as well as issues related to one’s own most immediate needs. The course seeks to provide a basic repertoire of linguistic elements and sufficient vocabulary to meet these communicative goals; students should be able to use some simple grammatical structures and pronounce, generally, in a clear and comprehensible way.

**Intermediate Spanish Language (VU Equivalent = Span 104)**
(Prerequisite: 2-3 semesters college-level Spanish or the equivalent)
This course uses a communicative approach, focusing on what students can do with the language as much as what they know about the language. By the end of this course, students understand the principal points of clear texts and writings in standard language; produce simple and coherent texts about familiar themes in which there is a personal interest; and describe experiences, events, wishes, and aspirations, as well as briefly justify one’s own opinions or plans for the future. The linguistic elements and vocabulary that are acquired prepare students to deal with non-frequent themes and unpredictable situations.

CIEE Courses

**AHIS 3001 BALT** (VU Span NO EQ – does not count for major/minor; check with HART Dept.)
**Catalonia and Spain Through the Arts**
This course teaches students about both the Catalan and Spanish culture within the context of art history. We study some of the fundamental issues of the history and character of Spain and Catalonia, such as the Spanish Civil War and the Catalan independence movement through the eyes of privileged witnesses: Velázquez, Goya, Gaudí, Picasso, Dalí, Miró, and more. Relevant study tours are arranged. (Taught in English.)

**COMM 3001 BALT/HISP 3001 BALT** (VU Span NO EQ – does not count for major/minor; check with CMST Dept.)
**Intercultural Communication**
This course examines core theories in interpersonal communication generally and places them in the context of Spanish and U.S. cultures. Since the course is conducted in Spain, it offers students a unique opportunity to study intercultural communication first-hand and to apply new knowledge and skills to their own journey into another culture. Specific
aspects studied include: intercultural adaptation, friendships across cultures, family life, the role of language in identity, and non-verbal communication. A variety of fieldwork activities are included. (Taught in English.)

**HIST 3001 BALC** (VU Span NO EQ – does not count for major/minor)

**Past and Present in Barcelona**

Barcelona is an attractive European and Mediterranean city known for its rich history, artistic heritage, and welcoming attitude towards visitors. This course is an interdisciplinary approach to the history of Barcelona. Students learn the history of the city from its foundation to the present day, with a special emphasis on the contemporary period. Urban development in Barcelona is analyzed using historical maps, videos, documentaries, and academic and literary texts. (Taught in English.)

**Hispanic and European Studies Program (HESP) Courses**

**Ancient Mediterranean: Colonial Encounters and Imperialism** (VU Span NO EQ – does not count for major/minor)

This course examines the nature and complexity of interactions between the regions of the Mediterranean during the second and first millennia BC. This is a particularly complex phenomenon both archaeologically and historically, since it is related with a great deal of political, social, and linguistic diversity. (Taught in English.)

**Between Tolerance and Conflict: Muslims, Jews, and Christians in the Iberian Peninsula** (VU Span NO EQ – does not count for major/minor)

This course seeks to introduce Spanish history as a space and time in which three monotheistic religions have coexisted for centuries, a unique case in the Western world, in which both tolerance and religious conflict have played defining roles. (Taught in English.)

**Introduction to the European Union: History, Institutions and Policies** (VU Span NO EQ – does not count for major/minor; check with PSci Dept.)

The course aims to provide U.S. students with basic knowledge about the European Union (EU). It covers the four main areas of study concerning this topic: the historical evolution of the process of European integration, institutional set-up and specific policy-making procedures, basic economics issues at stake, and the state of the EU’s main policies as of today. (Taught in English.)

**Literature: Anglo-American Travelers in Spain** (VU Span NO EQ – does not count for major/minor; check with English Dept.)

This course explores the ways in which Anglo-American writers represent Spain throughout the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Students analyze major writings by such authors as Washington Irving, Henry W. Longfellow, Ernest Hemingway, George Orwell, Evelyn Waugh, Gerald Brenan, and Richard Wright (alongside other texts by lesser known authors). (Taught in English.)
**Literature: Hispanic and Latino Cultures in the U.S.** (VU Span NO EQ – does not count for major/minor; check with English Dept.)

This course provides an introduction to the social and cultural reality of Latinos in the United States with a particular emphasis on the largest demographic group, the population of Mexican heritage. The concept of the borderlands is an analytical prism throughout the course that allows students to look at Latino/cultural identities within the United States as the product of complex negotiations both inside and outside the country’s geographical borders. (Taught in English.)

**Society and Politics in Contemporary Spain** (VU Span NO EQ – does not count for major/minor; check with Soc and PSci Dept.)

This class examines the sociological and political aspects of post-Franco Spain emphasizing elements of change and continuity—the constitution, political parties, monarchy, populace, and immigration. (Taught in English.)

**Spain in World Politics: Spanish Foreign Policy** (VU Span NO EQ – does not count for major/minor; check with PSci Dept.)

The course aims to provide the student with the main tools of Foreign Policy Analysis (FPA), an academic field closely related to International Relations. During the course these tools are applied to the study of the Spanish foreign policy with a threefold perspective. First, there is a historical approach to the evolution of Spanish foreign policy since the end of Francoism to the present situation. Second, the two most important policy orientations are dealt with in particular detail: Europeanism and Atlanticism. Thirdly, the course studies the foreign policies of the Spanish governments as they affect the most important geographic areas in the world. (Taught in English.)

**Liberal Arts Requirements:**

* Overall GPA 3.0
* Junior year status
* 4 semesters of college-level Spanish or equivalent (= VU Span 104+)

This program aims to help students with an intermediate/advanced Spanish language level develop language skills and competency while studying Spanish history, art history, politics, and culture. Hispanic Studies courses at UPF focus on the emerging European Union and Spain, giving them a deeper understanding of the European Union, and Spain’s role in this emerging culture.

Students complete an intensive Spanish language course that meets for the first three weeks of the semester and then choose among advanced language electives for the remainder of the semester. In addition, students select three courses from a selection of Hispanic and European Studies Program (HESP) courses, taught in Spanish, specifically designed for international students and regular, direct enrollment UPF courses. All students must take at least one direct enrollment course at UPF. All courses are taught in Spanish.
Academic Culture
CIEE language classes are held in the CIEE Study Center. Classrooms at International House are specially designed for language teaching. Language courses have no more than 12 students in a class.

HESP courses (for foreigners) are academically challenging, dynamic, and involve daily reading and homework assignments as well as regular attendance at lectures. The size of HESP courses does not exceed 35 students. CIEE language courses rarely exceed 20 students. Regular UPF classes may have up to 80 students in a class.

Emphasis is on attendance at daily lectures and careful note taking. The syllabus is not as detailed as American syllabi, and students are expected to decide for themselves which readings from the syllabus they need to study to fill in gaps missed during the lectures. It is common to share notes with Spanish students and study together, which can benefit students in their language learning as well. Relatively less emphasis is placed on participation and much more on the final exam. UPF classrooms are modern, comfortable, and equipped with the most up-to-date technology used for instruction.

Grading System
In CIEE and HESP courses, students are graded on class participation, in-class activities, homework assignments, examinations, papers, and oral presentations, similar to standards in the United States. In the UPF courses, assessment is based on a final exam. Some courses require a term paper in addition to the final exam. Occasionally, a term paper can substitute the final exam. Midterms are rarely given. Spanish professors grade on a ten-point scale which is converted to a letter grade.

Program Requirements
All students take a Spanish placement exam that places them in the appropriate Spanish language course. CIEE reserves the right to place participants in the language course for which the student is best prepared based on the results of on-site diagnostic testing. Students complete an intensive Spanish language course that meets for the first three weeks of the semester and then choose one advanced Spanish language elective for the remainder of the semester. The remaining three courses are chosen from CIEE, HESP, and UPF direct enrollment courses. One of these must be a UPF direct enrollment course.

Contact hours for CIEE, HESP, and the intensive language courses are 45 hours and recommended credit is 3 semester hours, unless otherwise indicated. Contact hours for regular UPF courses vary.

Courses
Required CIEE Intensive Language Courses
Students are placed in one of the following courses, taught in Spanish.

SPAN 3001 BALA (VU Span 200)
Advanced Spanish Grammar, Composition, and Conversation
This course is designed for advanced students with a strong background in the Spanish language. The course places special emphasis on complex aspects of grammar, such as the subjunctive and conditional moods, indirect speech, and the passive voice. Students also learn how to handle different registers or styles of Spanish (e.g., formal and informal) necessary to communicate effectively in all types of cultural situations. The course covers all four modalities: reading, writing, listening, and speaking. It is specifically designed to prepare students for university courses.

SPAN 4002 BALA (VU Span NO EQ does not count for Spanish major/minor)

Advanced Spanish for Latin American and Heritage Speakers
This course is designed to meet the needs of heritage students. Heritage students include native speakers who learned Spanish at home, but who have had little or no formal education in the language. The course helps students develop a formal understanding of grammar, enrich their vocabulary, facilitate their ability to speak about a wider range of topics, and to use different registers (formal, informal, etc.) in both written and spoken Spanish.

CIEE Semester Language Courses
Students take one of the following during the semester.

LING 3002 BALA/SPAN 3007 BALA (VU Span NO EQ - linguistics)

Language and Society in the Spanish Speaking World
The subject of this course, the relationship between language and society, was traditionally known as “sociolinguistics”. An enormous field, sociolinguistics deals with issues such as language maintenance and change; language variation; linguistic nationalism and language as marker of social identity; and language policy. Language is both a principle means of transmitting culture and one of its most important systems. Some researchers have even gone so far as to assert that language can shape culture. The course explores all of these questions in the context of Spanish as it developed and is currently spoken in Spain and the Spanish speaking world. (Taught in Spanish.)

LING 4001 BALA/SPAN 4001 BALA (VU Span NO EQ - linguistics)

Introduction to Spanish Linguistics
Linguistics is the science of language, which explores answers to common questions about the way that human languages are constructed. How do we learn our first language? Is there a common structure underlying all languages? Why is it difficult to learn a second language? Using Spanish as our base, we explore various components of linguistics: phonology (sounds), morphology (words), syntax (grammar and rules), and semantics (meaning). Students discover aspects that are common to the world’s languages, how languages are “put together”, and also explore interesting features unique to Spanish. (Taught in Spanish.)

SPAN 3006 BALA (VU Span 209)

Advanced Spanish Grammar, Composition, and Conversation II
This course is designed to meet the needs of students who desire further work on Spanish grammar and structure after the intensive course. The course continues to develop
complex aspects of Spanish grammar and syntax through analysis of texts (oral and written), presentations, and short compositions. Specific attention is placed on expository writing required in direct enrollment courses at UPF and in giving short oral presentations in class. (Taught in Spanish.)

SPAN 4003 BALA (VU Span NO EQ – language)
Advanced Spanish Writing and Stylistics
This course is designed for students who want to develop their writing skills in Spanish. The course focuses on all types of texts and presents the tools of description, narration, explanation, and hypothesis. Students learn to use rhetorical devices effectively and develop cohesive and logical arguments. The course helps students expand their vocabulary. Particular emphasis is placed on expository writing necessary for success in academic settings. (Taught in Spanish.)

SPAN 4004 BALA (VU Span NO EQ – language)
Advanced Writing and Stylistics for Heritage Speakers
This course is designed for heritage speakers who want to improve their writing skills in Spanish. While special emphasis is placed on expository writing, students explore other types of texts including creative narration and translation. Rhetorical devices to help (courses continued from previous page) improve cohesion, logical argumentation, and style are presented. Although bilingualism is a positive aspect of one’s linguistic and cultural heritage, it can present special challenges for those who regularly use more than one language. These challenges are explored as well as techniques for using bilingualism to one’s advantage. (Taught in Spanish.)

Hispanic and European Studies Program (HESP) Courses

El Quijote y el Pensamiento Filosófico Español del Siglo XX/El Quijote and 20th Century Spanish Philosophical Thought (VU Span NO EQ – literature)
This course offers a brief overview of the most representative Spanish philosophers of the past century. Starting with the philosophers who have analyzed Cervantes’ El Quijote, the course also outlines the most important tendencies of contemporary Spanish philosophical thinking. (Taught in Spanish.)

Historia y Ciudad/History and City (VU Span NO EQ – culture)
Students examine the past and present of this cosmopolitan, European city, from its pre-Roman roots to its modern architecture. Special emphasis is placed on the typical Catalan and Mediterranean features in the development of contemporary Barcelona. City visits and tours complement in-class lectures. (Taught in Spanish.)

Lengua y Cultura Catalana/Catalan Language and Culture (VU Ctln 102)
This class introduces students to the grammatical structures of the Catalan language. Students work on vocabulary building through exercises, readings, videos, and commentary on Catalan culture.
Literatura Española Contemporánea/Contemporary Spanish Literature (20th Century) (VU Span 203)
This class provides students with a critical approach to the different genres, literary trends, and most representative authors of Spanish literature during the contemporary period of the 20th Century. The texts are placed into context by dealing with the different literary issues that arise from them, as well as their relation with the arts, history, and thinking of their time. (Taught in Spanish.)

Luces y Sombras del Teatro Español Contemporáneo/ Contemporary Spanish Theater: Light and Shadows (VU Span NO EQ – literature)
This course offers a broad view of Spanish contemporary theater, from pre-Spanish Civil War (with its unquestionable founding fathers: Lorca and Valle-Inclán) until the present. The course reviews the work of well-known playwrights such as Buero Vallejo, as well that of more unorthodox ones (Jardiel Poncela, Mihura). Emphasis is placed on directors who marked new tendencies (Alonso, Layton, Victor, García, Pasqual), and the spaces where theater has taken place (from national to alternative theaters. The last third of the course focuses on the most representative creators of current Catalan theater (Benet y Jornet, Belbel, Cunillé), without a doubt the most varied and productive in Spain. (Taught in Spanish.)

Poesía Hispánica/Hispanic Poetry (VU Span NO EQ – literature)
The origins to the present time of Hispanic poetry will be studied, through reading and commentary of chosen texts. (Spring only) (Taught in Spanish.)

Sociedad y Política en España/Contemporary Spanish Culture and Politics (VU Span NO EQ – culture)
This class examines the sociological and political aspects of post-Franco Spain emphasizing elements of change and continuity such as the constitution, political parties, monarchy, populace, and immigration. (Taught in Spanish.)

Técnicas de Expresión Oral /Oral Expression Techniques (VU Span 207)
This seminar is for students who wish to improve their spoken Spanish in academic or formal contexts. The seminar follows a methodology that combines communication practice with reflection and observation of the resources and linguistic phenomena. (Taught in Spanish.)

Regular University Classes at UPF
The following list is a general selection of regular UPF courses available to international students, subject to change. CIEE students enroll in Trimester I courses in the fall and Trimester II courses in the spring. (Taught in Spanish.) Courses must be evaluated by the corresponding VU Department, coordinated by the Global Education Office.

Humanities
Trimester I: Contemporary Thought I, Geography, Contemporary Art, Medieval History, Philosophy of Religion, Primitive Art, Comparative Literature, Greek Art, History of
Ideas II, Introduction to the Classic World, Modern Reason I, European Literary Tradition I

**Trimester II:** Pre- and Ancient History, Contemporary History I, Contemporary Thought I, Contemporary Literature I, The Ancient World, Ethics and Political Philosophy, Esthetics and Cultural Philosophy, Theory of Art, Modern Art, Comparative Literature, Medieval History, European Literary Tradition II, Introduction to the History of Religion, The Novel of the Postwar Period and Democracy, Modern History

**Politics and Public Administration**

*Trimester I:* Public Policy II, Political Actors: Parties and Interest Groups, Advanced Social Theory, International Public Law I

*Trimester II:* Political Science II, Research Methods, Spanish Politics I and II, Finance and Tax Law, International Public Law II, Intergovernmental Relations

**School of Audiovisual Communication**

*Trimester II:* Film Theory

This course listing is for informational purposes only and may be subject to changes as a result of ongoing curricular revisions, assignment of lecturers and teaching staff, and program development. Courses may be cancelled due to insufficient enrollment. Syllabi for the CIEE courses listed above are available upon request.

**Faculty**

All regular University and HESP courses are taught by faculty from the Universitat Pompeu Fabra. CIEE language courses are taught by experienced professors specialized in teaching Spanish as a second language.

**Advanced Liberal Arts**

**Requirements:**

* Overall GPA 3.0
* 6 semesters of college-level Spanish or equivalent (= VU Span 203+)

Immersion program that aims to help students with advanced Spanish language skills develop fluency through direct enrollment in a wide range of regular university classes with Spaniards in a diverse range of subjects. Students take an intensive Spanish course designed to prepare them for classes at the Universitat de Barcelona at the beginning of the program. During this time, students meet individually with the Academic Advisor to select their courses at the University.

Classrooms at the Universitat de Barcelona range from more traditional Spanish classrooms to modern, and may have up to 100 students in a class. Classrooms at International House are specially designed for language teaching, keeping in mind a communicative methodology and the need for small group work. Language classes are
small, with no more than 12 students in a class. CIEE culture classes have a limit of 20 students per class.

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UB classes are taught in the Spanish academic tradition which involves more independent work on the part of the student. Typically the syllabus includes an outline of the themes and a list of recommended readings. There is usually no precise calendar. Typically the professor gives a final exam but often allows a student the option of writing a research paper as part of the final grade or in place of the final exam. It is perfectly normal for Spanish students to share notes with one another and to work together to prepare for the final exam. This is an excellent way for U.S. students to meet Spaniards and practice the language.

Tutors
Students have access to tutoring and should consult with the Resident Director or Academic Advisor if they feel they are falling behind in any UB class.

Housing and Meals
Students live in Spanish homes or in a student residencia with other Spanish or international students attending the UB (limited availability). Students living in a homestay have breakfast and dinner at home. Lunch is at the students' expense and many eat at the several University-run cafeterias. All meals are included in the UB student residencia option. All housing options are located in the city of Barcelona. All students take public transportation to their classes, on average a 30-minute commute by metro or bus to the city center. As space in the residencia may be limited, students who are not placed there are placed in a homestay.

Academic Program
The Advanced Liberal Arts program in Barcelona, which began in Fall 2005, is designed for independent-minded students with advanced language skills interested in enrolling in regular Spanish university classes in a diverse range of subjects. Students take an intensive Spanish course designed to prepare them for classes at the Universitat de Barcelona at the beginning of the program. During this time, students meet individually with the Academic Advisor to select their courses at the University.

Academic Culture
Language and culture classes are held in the CIEE Study Center. The Universitat de Barcelona's (UB) Department of Modern Languages (Facultad de Filología) is located downtown at University Plaza, which is walking distance from the CIEE office. Other UB departments are located in the Pedralbes section of Barcelona in the Northwest part of the city, about a 20-minute metro ride from the CIEE office.
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**Grading System**
In CIEE courses, students are graded on class participation, in-class activities, homework assignments, examinations, papers, and oral presentations, similar to standards in the United States. At UB there may be term papers or an oral examination. However, some departments may have multiple choice/true false exams. Numerical grades are given based on a 10-point scale and converted to the U.S. grading scale.

**Program Requirements**
Semester students are required to take a three-week Intensive Spanish Writing and Stylistics course prior to the start of UB classes. Students then take a CIEE culture course in Spanish and three regular university courses in Spanish.

Academic year students return by early January after the holiday break. During their second semester, academic year students are not required to repeat the intensive course in January but they will take final exams then. Students register for three or four regular UB classes in Spanish and one of the CIEE culture courses they didn’t take in the fall.

All CIEE and UB courses are considered junior- or senior-level courses. All language instruction in the program is at the advanced level. CIEE reserves the right to place
participants in the language course for which the student is best prepared based on the results of on-site diagnostic testing.

A full course load is considered five courses and students are required to maintain a full course load to remain on the program.

Contact hours are 45 hours and recommended credit is 3 semester/4.5 quarter hours, unless otherwise indicated.

Courses
Required CIEE Language Course
All students are required to take the following course for the first three weeks of the semester.

SPAN 4502 BAAL (VU Span NO EQ – language)
Intensive Spanish Writing and Stylistics
This class is specially designed for students who want to improve their written expression in Spanish before taking regular university classes. It focuses specifically on the skills needed to write research papers in Spanish: grammar, lexicon, orthography, and stylistics. The course also focuses on the development of a variety of text types: description, narration, explanation, and hypothesis. It incorporates individual and group work. (Taught in Spanish.)

Required CIEE Culture Courses
Students choose one, taught in Spanish.

AHIS 3001 BAAL (VU Span NO EQ – culture; check with HART Dept)
Masterworks in Catalan Art
Students are introduced to five important artists—Gaudí, Picasso, Dalí, Tàpies and Miró—who made important contributions to Catalan art and architecture as well as to art history in Spain in general. Class lectures are complemented by guided visits, especially to the architectural wonders of Gaudí in Barcelona, the Picasso Museum, the Dalí Museum in Figueres, and the Miró Museum and Tàpies Foundation in Barcelona. (Taught in Spanish.)

CATA 1001 BAAL (VU Ctn 102)
Introduction to Catalan Language in its Social Context
This course is designed to help beginning Catalan learners develop the fundamental linguistics skills needed to communicate. This course assumes students already have intermediate to advanced knowledge of Spanish. Special emphasis is placed on the socio-cultural context in which students live. (Taught in Spanish.)

HIST 3002 BAAL/ANTH 3001 BAAL (VU Span NO EQ – culture; check with Anth and Hist Dept)
Behind the Closed Doors: A History of Private Life in Spain
Until recently, historians have only written and taught about Spanish political and economic history: the history of power. This course approaches Spanish history from a new perspective, using as a departure point several subjects of daily life that are easily identifiable. Students find points of contact that allow them to develop a critical analysis and also to further their cultural immersion. Although the course is not organized chronologically, most time periods of Spanish history are covered from Iberian culture to the 20th C, in thematic units using an interdisciplinary approach. Food, religion, death and burial, housing typologies, disease, women, family, sexuality, and childhood are some of the many subjects that come together in this history of private life in Spain. (Taught in Spanish.)

LITT 3001 BAAL/CINE 3001 BAAL/SPAN 3001 BAAL (VU Span NO EQ – literature)

Literature and Cinema in Spain
Designed to complement the Spanish literature courses at UB, this course analyzes the relationship between literature and cinema in 20th- and 21st-Century Spain. It examines the fundamental role literature plays in the creation of cinema, the reception of the “new art” by the Generation of ’98 and the Group of ’27, Buñuel and his first surrealist films, and the mutual influence between the two art forms: from the poetic cinema of Julio Medem to the cinematic novels of Javier Cercas or Carlos Ruiz Zafón. Authors include: Federico García Lorca, Rafael Alberti, Juan Marsé, Adelaida García Morales, and others. The course also includes projections of movies by Luis Buñuel, Víctor Erice, Pedro Almodóvar, David Trueba, Icíar Bollaín, and others. (Taught in Spanish.)

LITT 4001 BAAL/SPAN 4001 BAAL (VU Span NO EQ – literature)

Independent Study: Contemporary Spanish Poetry
(Students taking this course must be a major in Modern Languages and Literatures, Literary Theory, Comparative Literature, or English Literature and have advanced Spanish language skills. Please consult with the Resident Director regarding eligibility for this course.)
This course examines representative works of Spanish poetry in addition to contemporary literary theory and criticism. Students analyze literary works from a theoretical point of view in order to gain a better understanding of the works and of the cultural environment in which they were created. (Taught in Spanish.)

Universitat de Barcelona Courses
The following list is an overview of the types of regular UB courses that are available to CIEE students in the Departments of Biology, Chemistry, Economics, Education, Geography and History, Hispanic Philology, International Affairs, Law, Mathematics, Modern Languages and Literatures (Spanish), Philosophy, Physics, Political Science, Psychology, and, Sociology. The Resident Director meets with each student during orientation to choose and register for classes. Courses must be evaluated by the corresponding VU Department, coordinated by the Global Education Office.

Department of Biology
The Department of Biology offers scientific training in the basic and applied aspects of Biology, Molecular Biology and Genetics; Cell Biology and Physiology; and Evolution, Ecology, and Biodiversity.

**Department of Chemistry**
The Department of Chemistry offers scientific training in the basic and applied aspects of general, analytical, organic, inorganic, and physical chemistry.

**Department of Economic Sciences/Business/Law/Political Science/International Affairs**
Throughout its various departments, the Diagonal Campus (20 minute metro ride from the city center) offers a broad spectrum of courses in Economics and techniques in the analysis of local, European, and world economies, as well as classes in Business, Law, and Political Science.

**Department of Geography and History**
Located on the Diagonal Campus, the Facultad of Geography and History offers basic and applied scientific training in the methods and techniques of Geography, History, History of Art, and Social and Cultural Anthropology.

**Department of Hispanic Philology**
Located in the city center, the Facultad of Philology is housed in the historic building of the Universitat de Barcelona. The Department offers courses in Spanish language and literature, literary theory, classic languages and literatures, and Catalan, Galician, Basque, English, German, French, Italian, Hebrew, Arabic, Romanian, and Slavic languages.

**Department of Mathematics**
The Department of Mathematics offers scientific training in the basic and applied aspects of calculus, linear algebra, and mathematical structures.

**Department of Philosophy**
The Facultad of Philosophy offers a historical and critical study of the fundamental ideas of the western tradition and the present world with courses on the History of Philosophy and Science, Logic and Philosophy of the Sciences, and Moral and Political Philosophy.

**Department of Physics**
This department offers scientific training in the basic and applied aspects of Physics.

**Department of Psychology and Education**
This Facultad offers scientific training in the basic and applied aspects of psychology and pedagogy as well as socio-educational intervention and mediation.

**Faculty**
All regular university courses are taught by faculty from the Universitat de Barcelona. CIEE language courses are taught by experienced professors specialized in teaching
Spanish as a second language. CIEE culture courses are taught by experienced faculty from local universities.