Spanish Language in Madrid, Spain

with the Coast Community College District

Summer 2006

Program dates: June 30 - July 29, 2006
Immerse yourself in experiential learning – Spend the Summer in Madrid with the Coast Community College District and ACCENT. Madrid becomes an extension of your classroom as you explore Spanish parks, monuments, churches, and museums while attending Spanish Language classes with local or visiting faculty. Participants on the Summer in Madrid program live in student apartments located throughout the city and have the opportunity to attend 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 or program faculty Ali Muelas 714.432.5889, alikene@comcast.net and Patricia Scarfone 714.432.5683, pscarfone@occ.cccd.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 Castelian 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 transferable college credit through Orange Coast College, part of the Coast Community College District. The Coast Community College District will provide a transcript upon request for the coursework completed overseas. 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 over 18 at the time of application. Program space is limited. Students should send in the enclosed application with the $250 non-refundable first payment as soon as possible. Upon receipt of your application and first payment, ACCENT and the Coast Community College District will send you additional application and enrollment forms. Applications must be received by April 21, 2006. Beyond April 21, limited enrollment is allowed, when space permits.

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Academic Curriculum

Spanish 180—Elementary Spanish 5 units/P. Scarfone
Developing elementary proficiency in speaking, listening, reading, and writing in Spanish. Introduction to Hispanic cultures through selected readings and discussions. Designed for students seeking to fulfill foreign language requirements and for those who wish an introduction to the language and to the rich and varied cultures in which it is used. This course is equivalent to two years of high school Spanish. May be taken for a grade or on a credit/no credit basis. Transfer Credit: CSU; UC credit limitation.

Spanish 185—Elementary Spanish 5 units/A. Muelas
Prerequisite: Spanish 180 or completion of two years of high school Spanish with a grade of "C" or better. Continuation of Spanish 180 emphasizing the continued development of elementary proficiency in speaking, listening, reading, and writing in Spanish. Further study of Hispanic cultures through selected readings and discussions. Designed for students seeking to fulfill foreign language requirements and for those who wish to expand their knowledge of the language and of the rich and varied cultures in which it is used. This course is equivalent to three years of high school Spanish. May be taken for a grade or on a credit/no credit basis. Transfer Credit: CSU; UC credit limitation.

Spanish 280—Intermediate Spanish 5 units/On-site staff
Prerequisite: Spanish 185. Continuation of Spanish 185. Includes further study of the Spanish language and Hispanic cultures with practice in speaking, listening, reading, and writing at the intermediate level. May be taken for a grade or on a credit/no credit basis. Transfer Credit: CSU; UC credit limitation.

Spanish 285—Intermediate Spanish 5 units/On-site staff
Prerequisite: Spanish 280 or 280H. Continuation of Spanish 280. Emphasis is on culturally authentic reading and writing, along with continued development of listening/speaking competencies. Course generally continues formal study of language structure and will introduce basic literary concepts. Emphasis is on development of cohesive written narratives and expository prose as preparation for higher level specialized work. May be taken for a grade or on a credit/no credit basis. Transfer Credit: CSU; UC.

Program Faculty

Ali Mari-Aala Muelas
I was born and raised in beautiful Madrid and come from a multi-cultural and racial family; most of my paternal family is Basque and Castillian, whereas my maternal roots are Russian, German, and Estonian. I have studied both in Madrid and in the United States, earning a BA and MA at UCLA, where Peninsular literature, Latin American literature and linguistics were my deepest passion. It has been a great honor to teach these past 11 years, both at UCLA and now at Orange Coast College. There is no greater pleasure than assisting someone to find their own poetic voice in another language, and although I have lived with all the languages of my ancestors, the Spanish language remains the one through which I express my soul best. Thank you for joining us on this magical adventure to beautiful España. I hope that together we may facilitate the highest quality of learning and inspiration!

Patricia Scarfone
Patricia is Professor of Spanish and Italian at Orange Coast College. A native of Italy, she is an avid traveler who became interested in study abroad early on. In addition to conducting study abroad programs to Costa Rica, Italy, Mexico and Spain, she has served as International Education Coordinator for the Coast Community College District for several years. During that time, she coordinated several semester and short-term programs to destinations such as Australia, Costa Rica, England, France, Italy, Mexico and Spain. Patricia is a strong and active proponent of second-language study and she believes that “knowledge of a second language is a door to the world’s cultures”. She encourages students to open that door and explore the wonderful opportunities that await them.

Cultural Program

Cultural learning is an integral part of the Summer in Madrid program. Participants attend on-site lectures at museums and historical sites throughout Madrid. Also included in the program are:

- A four-day/three-night excursion to Andalucia: Sevilla, Córdoba, and Granada, including transportation, lodging and guided visits.
- A four-day/three-night excursion to Barcelona including transportation, lodging and guided visits.

Excursions are chosen based on the academic curriculum and subject to change.
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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.

Name        Signature

School Attending       Year in School       Major

Current Address            How long can you be reached at your current address?

City        State        Zip

Home Phone       Work Phone       Cell Phone

Email        Sex

Permanent Address

City        State        Zip        Permanent Phone

Country of Citizenship        Date of Birth (participants must be at least 18 years old at time of application)

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

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

ACCENT • 870 Market Street, Suite 1026 • San Francisco, CA 94102
Program Price: $3425
plus a $100 refundable security deposit

Program Price Includes

- Double room in shared student apartment, double/triple occupancy on excursions
- Two four-day/three-night excursions to Andalucía (Sevilla, Granada, and Córdoba) and Barcelona, including transportation and guided visits
- Zone A (Madrid Capital) transit pass for bus and metro
- Pre-departure and overseas orientation program, with a tour of Madrid
- Overseas information and resource center with ACCENT Madrid on-site staff
- Transfers from and to the Spanish airport for group flight participants
- Medical insurance through CCCD, please contact CCCD at 714.438.4706 for more information and an application

Program Price Does Not Include

- Round-trip airfare (estimated airfare $950 - $1200)
- Coast Community College District tuition and fees (see description)
- Optional supplement of $200 for a single room in an apartment
- Meals
- Personal expenses, books, passports, visas, and anything not listed as included

Payment Schedule

Non-refundable first payment $250
Final payment due April 21, 2006 $3275

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 9/05 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.

Transportation

All participants must check-in at the ACCENT Madrid Center June 30, 2006 between 9am and 6pm (Note: most transatlantic flights depart one day before their arrival date). ACCENT will organize an optional round-trip group flight from Los Angeles. Airfare is not included in the program fee. Group flight participants will be met at the airport in Spain and transferred to their housing. Group flight participants returning to the U.S. on the group return date will receive transportation to the Spanish airport. Students enrolled in the Summer in Madrid program will receive detailed optional group flight information approximately four months prior to departure. Estimated airfare $950 - $1200.

CCCD Tuition and Fees

Academic credit for this program is awarded by Orange Coast College. An $26 per unit enrollment fee must be paid to CCCD at the time of registration. Nonresidents of California pay an additional $152 per unit. Fees are set by the State of California and are subject to change. For more information, please contact Patricia Scarfone at Orange Coast College at 714.438.4702 or pscarfone@occ.cccd.edu.

Cancellations

All cancellations must be made in writing to ACCENT and the Coast Community College District and are effective the date of receipt. Participants are liable for payments until written cancellation is received.

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

ACCENT, and not the Coast Community College District, is responsible for all travel arrangements and any liability arising therefrom. The Coast Community College District is NOT liable for any damages arising out of the services described herein, including, but not limited to any promises or representations, whether expressed or implied. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to in any way bind the District, the District Governing Board, any of their agents, employees or representatives to any promises, obligations, covenants or duties whether expressed or implied herein.

ACCENT is not responsible for the academic segment of the program except as specified in the contract between ACCENT and the Coast Community College District. Nor is ACCENT responsible for airline delays of any kind, or 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.

Student Housing

Students may choose to live in double or single rooms in shared student apartments. Single rooms in apartments are limited and require a supplement of $200. Apartments are co-ed with single sex bedrooms and may be shared with other international students. Housing is provided from the first day of the program (June 30, 2006).

For more information on the Summer in Madrid program
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