## 20__ COURSE PROPOSAL

### Global Studies and Study Abroad

**COLLEGE:** Arts and Sciences  
**DEPARTMENT:** English and Modern Languages

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<td>HOURS CREDITS:</td>
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**MINIMUM ENROLLMENT NUMBERS:** 12 in each course  
**MAXIMUM ENROLLMENT NUMBERS:** 16 Total

Note: minimum enrollment numbers must conform to the same standards applicable to on-campus courses.

**LEAD FACULTY MEMBER** Norma Zarzosa

**COUNTRY/COUNTRIES OF DESTINATION** Salamanca, Spain

**FOREIGN UNIVERSITY/HOST DESTINATION**

- **NAME:** Universidad de Salamanca - Cursos Internacionales
- **PHYSICAL ADDRESS:** Patio de Escuelas Menores s/n, 37008 Salamanca España
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**COURSE PREREQUISITES:** Advisor Approval and 2 meetings  
SPAN 2300

Successful completion of SPAN 1311 & 1312  
Advisor Approval  
2 orientation meetings

**TERM:** Summer I 2011  
**DATES:** June 1 to June 29

- ☐ Spring Semester  
- ☐ mini session  
- ☐ Summer I  
- ☐ Summer II  
- ☐ Fall Semester

**ESTIMATED PROGRAM COST PER STUDENT**  
(based on minimum enrollment number)

- University of Salamanca* $ 2,120.00 USD  
- Airfare $ 800.00 USD Approx.  
- Lamar Tuition (6 credits) $ 780.00 USD

**TOTAL AMOUNT $ 3,700.00 USD**  
Exchange rate of 1.40 USD per 1 Euro (currency)

**INCLUDES**

- ✓ LU Tuition  
- ✓ Host Institution Tuition  
- ✓ International Health Insurance  
- ✓ International Repatriation Insurance  
- ✓ Airfare  
- ✓ Ground Transportation  
- ✓ Mandatory field trips  
- ✓ Accommodations (student dormitories)  
- ✓ Meals (3 at day)  
- ✓ Other Fees  
- TEXTBOOKS

### APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENT CHAIR

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### APPROVAL OF COLLEGE DEAN

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Send proposals electronically to: [Joe.Nordgren@lamar.edu](mailto:Joe.Nordgren@lamar.edu) or Dr. Joe Nordgren, Parker 203, P.O. Box 10058  
Please attach a 2-3 page rationale, course syllabus, and Contingency Plan form.
November 8, 20__

Dr. Joe Nordgren
Director of Global Studies and Study Abroad

RATIONALE FOR TEACHING THE COURSE IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY:
1. Make our students more marketable in today’s global workforce.
2. Enhance students’ global competency, which is a 21st Century Imperative.
3. Fulfill the University’s Mission to make students aware of international & cultural diversity.
4. Enhance our B.A. in Modern Languages-Spanish with Teacher Certification program by fulfilling one of the recommendations set by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL), and approved by The Specialty Areas Studies Board of the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

The ACTFL Program Standards state:
In order for foreign language teacher candidates to attain the knowledge, skills, and dispositions described in the ACTFL Program Standards for the Preparation of Foreign Language Teachers, programs of foreign language teacher preparation must demonstrate that they include “… The development of candidates’ foreign language proficiency in all areas of communication, with special emphasis on developing oral proficiency… culture… Opportunities for candidates to participate in a structured study abroad program and/or intensive immersion experience in a target language community.”

The study of Spanish in Spain, the birthplace of the Spanish language, provides students and our future Spanish foreign language teachers with a unique Spanish language immersion opportunity to learn the language, and to actively participate in every facet of Spain’s rich culture and heritage.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:
Students who successfully complete the course will be able to:
   a) Improve their pronunciation, listening comprehension and communication skills in Spanish.
   b) Engage in oral communication in a natural environment with Spanish speaking people in order to obtain information, to describe, to narrate and to express their opinion.
   c) Enrich their cultural awareness by visiting different cities, parks, museums, expositions, markets, dance presentations, theatrical and musical events, and movies.
   d) Compare and contrast the food, habits and traditions of Spain and their own country.
   e) Apply the knowledge acquired in the classroom in order to communicate and survive in a Spanish speaking country.

STUDENTS WHO MAY TAKE THE COURSE:
• Students enrolled under the B.A. in Spanish
• Students enrolled under the B.A. in Spanish with Teacher Certification
• Students pursuing Spanish as their Minor
• Any student studying in another field in which learning another language is an important element to make them more marketable in today’s workforce.

**COURSE PREREQUISITES**
SPAN 2300
• Successful completion of SPAN 1311 and 1312
• Advisor approval
• 2 orientation sessions

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**
This is a multi-level study abroad course in which students will be immersed in the study of Spanish language and culture at the University of Salamanca. Students are expected to take a placement test on the first day of class and, based on the test’s results, the students will be placed at the Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced or Superior Level of a Spanish language course. The student will then select an elective course. Meeting time with the LU faculty will be in the afternoon and many times throughout the weekend while doing field research at historical sites (castles, palaces) and local museums in the cities of: Seville, Granada, Toledo, The Escorial, Avila, Salamanca and possibly the city of Lisbon, Portugal.

**ESTIMATED PROGRAM COST PER STUDENT**
The total amount per student pursuing 3 credit hours is $5,425 USD, based on minimum enrollment of 12 students per course.

Budget:
- **University of Salamanca** $2,120.00 USD (At the exchange rate of 1.40 USD per 1 Euro)
- **Airfare** $800.00 USD (Approximately)
- **Lamar Tuition (3 credits)** $780.00 USD

**AMOUNT $3,700.00 USD**

*The University of Salamanca, all-inclusive, summer program for Lamar University includes:
• University Registration and Tuition Fees
• International health insurance
• Didactic material (textbook and workbook)
• Use of the University services (library, athletic & recreational facilities, computer lab, and other student services)
• Three guided walking tours to the historic and artistic landmarks of Salamanca
• Field research in the cities of Seville and Granada including visits to: the Alhambra Palace, the Alcazar, the Giralda, and the Palace of Carlos V
• A cultural excursion to visit three castles around the Castile area
• Entrance to a variety of cultural events, local museums and art exhibitions in Salamanca.
• Round-trip shuttle from the International Airport Barajas in Madrid to Salamanca
• Housing in shared student dormitories (2 per room) with 3 meals per day included.

**NOTE:** Airfare – Students will be allowed to select the airline and set the return date to meet their needs. Guidance will be provided to assist them.
INSTRUCTOR & COMPENSATION:
The instructor of record for the *International Study* course is Mrs. Norma Zarzosa. Salary compensation and airfare will be provided by the Department of English and Modern Languages. For further information, please contact Ms. Norma Zarzosa, at 880-8593, or at norma.zarzosa@lamar.edu.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:
History and facts about the University of Salamanca
This year, the University of Salamanca in Spain was chosen for its Spanish courses for international students program, as the “Universidad del Español” in the country. Since 1929, the University of Salamanca has been offering Spanish Language & Cultural Courses for foreigners in its curricula, which has been developed and broadened throughout the years. Today more than 6,500 foreign students and teachers from all over the world take part in the many different Spanish language programs offered by the University during June, July and August.

The University of Salamanca is the oldest university in Spain; founded in 1218 by King Alfonso IX. It was acknowledged in 1254 by Pope Alexander IV as being one of the four great universities in the world, along with the universities of Oxford, Paris and Bologna. The University has had many distinguished professors throughout its history, including Fray Luis de León, and Miguel de Unamuno. In addition, many well-known citizens have walked along the University’s corridors, such as Miguel de Cervantes, Hernan Cortes and Christopher Columbus.

Today the University of Salamanca is a young, dynamic, institution with a student population of more than 30,000 students per year. Students participate in more than 250 different programs, including 98 Ph.D. programs offered within the Colleges of Law, Liberal Arts, Science, Medicine and Spanish Language.
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E-mail: norma.zarzosa@lamar.edu  
Office Hours: 24/7 Residencia Helmantica

TEXTBOOKS:
SUPERIOR LEVEL  

ADVANCED LEVEL  

INTERMEDIATE LEVEL  

BEGINNER LEVEL  

  a) BILINGUAL VISUAL DICTIONARY - English & Spanish  
Publisher: DK Publishing, Inc.  
Pub. Date: August 2005

  b) An electronic dictionary/translator *Spanish/English- English/Spanish*  
(Franklin DBE-1490 Merriam-Webster Spanish-English Dictionary or Franklin Merriam Webster Spanish English Dictionary-DBE-1500)

COURSE OBJECTIVES:  
Make our students more marketable in today’s global workforce by enhancing their cross-cultural competency and their linguistic abilities.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:  
This is a multi-level study abroad course in which the student will be immersed in the study of Spanish language and culture. On the first day of class the students will take a placement test at the University of Salamanca in Spain. Based on the test results, the students will be placed at the Beginner, Intermediate, Advance or Superior Level. The student will then select an elective course. The students are required to attend a walking tour organized by the University of Salamanca to historical sites and cathedrals in Salamanca. Also, each student will have the opportunity to enrich their cultural understanding by participating in a variety of cultural excursions organized by the University of Salamanca at a very low cost.
STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:
Students who successfully complete the course will be able to:
1. Improve their pronunciation, listening comprehension and communication skills in Spanish.
2. Engage in oral communication in a natural environment with Spanish speaking people in order to obtain information, to describe, to narrate and to express their opinion.
3. Improve their vocabulary and understanding of grammatical concepts of the Spanish language.
4. Enrich their cultural awareness by visiting different cities, parks, museums, expositions, markets, dance presentations, movies, theatrical and musical events.
5. Compare and contrast the food, habits and traditions of Spain with those of their own country.
6. Apply the knowledge acquired in the classroom in order to communicate and survive in a Spanish speaking country.

COURSE POLICY:
Students are expected to:
1) Attend an informational meeting, an orientation meeting, and a mandatory meeting.
2) Apply to LU Global Studies and Study Abroad for the International Education Fee Grant.
3) Sign up for the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (formerly known as “Travel Registration” or “Registration with Embassies”) prior to leaving the country.
4) Arrange air travel to arrive at Madrid Airport on the day assigned by the faculty in charge.
5) Report to the University of Salamanca the following day and attend all scheduled classes.
6) Prepare and complete all work assigned by the University of Salamanca (this includes class activities, homework, walking tours, etc.)
7) Attend all classes and working sessions with the LU faculty in charge
8) Prepare and complete all work assigned by the Lamar University faculty in charge of the course (this includes activities, projects, and a journal).
9) Participate in an appropriate manner in class and during the cultural excursions.
   - Attendance will be kept daily and will be recorded at the beginning of the class by the professor in charge at the University of Salamanca.
   - Two absences are permitted without penalty.
   - As a general rule, no distinction will be made between excused and unexcused absences.
   - If the student is absent, he/she will receive a “0” for that day’s activities.
   - It is the student’s responsibility to arrive at class on time.
   - Consistent tardiness will result in a reduction of the final grade.

Classes missed are the student’s own responsibility since there is no make up of missed class work, quizzes, exams, or oral participation. If the student has to miss a class due to some medical emergency, it is his/her responsibility to contact the LU faculty prior to the absence. Students having specific medical problems should arrange for an appointment beforehand.

TECHNOLOGY USE AGREEMENT:
Students wishing to take the Spanish Courses abroad will have to sign a pledge in which they agree not to stay connected 24/7 using any kind of advanced technology (cell phone, i-Pad, Skype, etc.) with their family or friends in the USA while they are pursuing their studies abroad. By signing this agreement, the students will experience a full immersion in the language and the culture of a Spanish speaking country.
GRADING POLICY:
The progress of a student’s ability in each of the four skill areas (listening, comprehension, reading and writing) will be measured by:

1) Passing the course at the University of Salamanca  50%  (500 points)
2) Projects (Going shopping/ordering at a restaurant)  10%  (100 points)
3) Final Test (Listening/comprehension and conversation)  10%  (100 points)
4) Journal (documenting visits to historical sites)  30%  (300 points)

NOTE: Your work will be evaluated according to the following criteria

GRADE SCALE:

1000  -  900  = A
899  -  800  = B
799  -  700  = C
699  -  600  = D
599  -  0  = F

DISCLAIMER:
The professor reserves the right to make modifications to the syllabus, calendar, exam dates and grading system if deemed necessary. Any changes will be previously discussed with the students.

Students are expected to be punctual for their classes, cultural excursions, and other scheduled activities. In addition, students must abide, at all times, the Lamar University Code of Conduct/Ethics, and behave appropriately and cooperatively. The faculty reserves the right to dismiss from the course any student whose behavior does not conform to acceptable norms.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY:
Students are specifically warned against all forms of cheating and plagiarism. The Lamar University Student Handbook states: Any student found guilty of dishonesty in any phase of academic work will be subject to disciplinary action. Punishable offenses include, but are not limited to, cheating on and examination or academic work which is to be submitted, plagiarism, collusion, and the abuse of resource materials. (81) …Punishments for academic dishonesty range from F in the course, to an F on the assignment, to re-submission of the work. Punishments are at the discretion of the faculty member, and may be appealed to the department chair, dean, and Senior Associate Provost. Flagrant or repeat violations may warrant further discipline by the university including probation and suspension.

DISABILITIES:
In coordination with the Director of SFSWD, every effort will be made for this course to become a meaningful component of a student’s IEP.

DROP/WITHDRAW AND IMPORTANT DATES:
It is the responsibility of any student wishing to drop or withdraw from this course to initiate and follow through with the proper procedure to have their names removed from the official class roll. It is also the instructor’s prerogative to drop any student that does not comply with the standards of the course.
FEBRUARY (TBD)

1st Orientation Meeting - General information about the Course, the IEF Grant, etc.

APRIL (TBD)

2nd Mandatory Meeting - To provide information about health and safety abroad, Smart Traveller Enrollment Program, the University of Salamanca and Spain.

JUNE

2 Saturday

Depart from the USA

3 (TBD)

A bus from Cursos Internacionales - University of Salamanca - Spain Will pick-up the students at the Barajas International Airport in Madrid to transport them to the Residencia Helmántica I located at C/ San Narciso 8-12 in Salamanca

JUNE

4 Monday

9:00 AM - “Placement Test” Cursos Internacionales - University of Salamanca

5 Tuesday

1st Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course (TBD)
Deadline to change to a different Language Level, or to change the Elective Course.

6 Wednesday

2nd Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course

7 Thursday

3rd Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course

8 Friday

4rd Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course

Cultural Trips organized by the University of Salamanca

9 Saturday

Trip to Segovia/La Granja

10 Sunday

Optional: Trip to Caceres/ Trujillo

11 Monday

5th Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course

12 Tuesday

6th Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course

13 Wednesday

7th Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course

14 Thursday

8th Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course

Cultural Trips organized by the University of Salamanca

15 Friday

Mandatory Trip: Seville - Visit to the Alcazar, The Tower of the Giralda, the city, etc

16 Saturday


17 Sunday

Trip to the Granada Cathedral and the city.

18 Monday

9th Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course

19 Tuesday

10th Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course

20 Wednesday

11th Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course

21 Thursday

12th Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course

22 Friday

13th Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course

Cultural Trips organized by the University of Salamanca

23 Saturday

Trip to the city of Toledo, visit to The Greco Museum

24 Sunday

Trip to The Escorial Palace and the city of Avila.

25 Monday

14th Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course

26 Tuesday

15th Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course

27 Wednesday

16th Spanish Language Course from 9:00 to 11:00 AM, and one hour Elective course

28 Thursday

FINAL EXAM

29 Friday

Closing Ceremony “Cursos Internacionales – Universidad de Salamanca”

--------------------------------------------------------------------- END OF THE PROGRAM ----------------------------------------------------------

JUNE

30 Saturday

A bus from Cursos Internacionales will pick-up the students at the Residencia Helmántica to transport them to the Barajas International Airport in Madrid
Contingency Plan

It is required for each student taking an International Study Abroad Course to register in the US Embassy/Consulate before departing the USA. Also, any faculty member leading a group is required to register the group in the US Embassy/Consulate before departing the USA.

Department: **English and Modern Languages**  Course: **SPAN 2300 International Study**

Country:  **Salamanca, Spain**  From **June 1** to **June 29 2011**

Name of the University/Host Institution Abroad:

**Universidad de Salamanca**
Patio de Escuelas Menores s/n
37008 Salamanca, España
Phone: (34) 923 29 44 18  Fax. (34) 923 29 45 04

**Contact Person:**
Carmen Mota
Email: relgrupo@usal.es
www.usal.es/cursosinternacionales

In case of cancellation, when would you be willing to offer the same course(s)?

Spring ____________  Fall ____________  Summer I ____________ 2012 Abroad___

Summer II__________  Mini-Session________  Special Session________

What plans do you have in case there is an emergency after departure to the study abroad location?

a) Cancel the program and send students home?
   YES ___  NO ___

b) Wait for the second person selected to arrive at the location to leave him/her in charge?
   YES ___  NO ___

c) Leave the students in charge of the host university to complete the course of study?
   YES ___  NO ___

d) Other Plans
   YES ___  NO ___

Please provide additional comments about your contingency plan:

If for any major reason I have to return to the United States, Dr. Bridges had agreed to be in charge of the group. I will notify her immediately, and I will wait for her to arrive to Salamanca.