

Spain is both traditional and progressive. With the unfolding events in the European community, Spain is at a fascinating historical crossroads. While preserving its diverse regional culture, Spain is emerging as an international leader. Through the University of Miami exchange programs in Spain, you can experience traditional culture and contemporary European life in Madrid, the southern region of Andalusia, the northern regions of Galicia and Cantabria, or the spectacular Canary Islands.

## **UNIVERSIDAD PONTIFICIA COMILLAS**

### ***Madrid – New!***

#### ***Undergraduate Program Semester Programs***

The Pontificia Universidad Comillas is one of the most prestigious private universities in Spain. Since it was founded in 1890, it has promoted excellence in academic teaching, research, scientific progress and a well-rounded and humanistic training for its students. Located in Madrid, in the center of the political, economic and cultural activity of the Spain, Comillas offers a unique environment of personalized attention.

Most of the courses are conducted in Spanish, however exchange students at Comillas may also choose from **Business courses in English**. The main Alberto Aguilera campus, situated in Madrid's Arguelles neighborhood, is where the Faculty of Business Administration and the School of Engineering are located. The Faculties of Theology, Humanities and Social Sciences are located on the Cantoblanco Campus. Both campuses are easily accessible on the subway, commuter rail and city bus systems.

[www.upcomillas.es](http://www.upcomillas.es)

#### **Academic Areas**

Engineering	Business & Economics
Philosophy	Psychology
Translation/Interpreting	Sociology

#### **Room and board**

The University Information, Lodging and Welcome Office will offer assistance to students seeking housing. Students may choose to live with a host family, in a private residence hall, or shared flat.

## **UNIVERSIDAD DE LAS PALMAS DE GRAN CANARIA**

### ***Canary Islands***

#### ***Undergraduate Program***

#### ***Semester and Year Programs***

The University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (ULPGC) is situated on the la Isla de Gran Canaria, one of the seven major islands making up the magnificent Canary Islands. Perfect weather conditions can be found year-round in the Spanish

archipelago, which lies about 150 kilometers off the northwest coast of Africa. The Canary Islands act as a link in terms of culture and tradition among three continents – Europe, America and Africa – making it a unique study abroad destination.

The ULPGC was founded in 1989, although many the academic disciplines which make up the University's departments have been taught on Gran Canaria for over 100 years. The institution boasts modern facilities, most of which are located on the main Tafira Campus. ULPGC offers 53 degree courses to some 25,000 undergraduate and graduate students and prides itself on being one of Spain's top-ranked research institutions. Classes are conducted in Spanish.

[www.ulpgc.es](http://www.ulpgc.es)

#### **Academic Areas**

Engineering	Economics
Computer Science	Education
Business	Sport Science
Marine Science	Humanities
Architecture	History
Geography	Spanish Literature

#### **Room and board**

Students can request to stay in several, modern student residences on the ULPGC campus or arrange on their own to rent or share apartments upon arrival.

## **UNIVERSIDAD DE SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA**

### ***Santiago de Compostela***

#### ***Undergraduate Program***

#### ***Semester and Year Programs***

Santiago de Compostela lies in the northwest corner of Spain in the autonomous region of Galicia. It is well known as the destination of many religious pilgrims who follow the road to Santiago that ends at the impressive Obradoiro Square in front of the Cathedral, which boasts an impressive Baroque facade. The Rectorate of the Universidad de Santiago de Compostela is also located on the same plaza. The old city is an enchanting maze of narrow cobblestone streets. Santiago is also less than an hour from the Galician coast and beautiful port

cities of La Coruña, Pontevedra and Vigo. The region of Galicia, with its rolling hills and fertile lands, is extremely green and enjoys a steady share of rain year-round.

Universidad de Santiago de Compostela recently celebrated its first 500 years and was founded in 1495. Its faculties are divided between the north, south and central campuses. It is one of the top academic institutions in Spain and is a major research institution. The city itself is very much a university city, with nearly a fourth of its population of 150,000 made up of college students.

Students enroll in regular university courses. Most classes are taught in Spanish. While some courses are taught in the regional language of Galician, exchange students can find a full course load of courses taught in Spanish.

[www.usc.es](http://www.usc.es)

#### Academic Areas

Business	Biology
Economics	Geography and History
Humanities	International Relations
Natural Sciences	Political Science
Psychology	Sociology
Social Sciences	Spanish Literature

#### Room and Board

Upon acceptance into the exchange, students may apply to stay in USC residence halls for university students. Students may also rent apartments or seek apartment shares on their own upon arrival.

### UNIVERSIDAD DE ALICANTE

#### Alicante

##### Undergraduate Program

##### Semester and Year Programs

The city of Alicante is the capital of the province with the same name and belongs to the autonomous region of Valencia. It is beautifully set in one of the most flourishing and dynamic areas of the Mediterranean. Alicante enjoys a Mediterranean climate which sees little rain.

The Universidad de Alicante is one of the younger Spanish public universities and has seen tremendous growth since its inception in 1979. Today it offers degree programs in over fifty academic departments and maintains an enrollment of close to 30,000 students. Its main campus was built on a spacious property in the suburban town of San Vicente de Raspeig, located about ten minutes from the city of Alicante by bus or car. Students enroll in regular university courses.

[www.ua.es](http://www.ua.es)

#### Academic Areas

Art History	Business and Economics
Humanities	International Relations

Political Science  
Spanish Literature

Social Sciences

#### NEW! – Business courses in English

Students can now take **business and economics courses in English** at the Universidad de Alicante, while improving their Spanish language skills. These courses are offered through the International Business Program carry an additional charge of approximately \$200 per class.

#### Room and Board

Students may request accommodations from the Society of International Relations at the UA. Options include living with a host family with meals included, the campus dormitories, or placement in a shared apartment with other exchange students.

### UNIVERSIDAD DE GRANADA

#### Granada

##### Undergraduate Program

##### Semester and Year Programs

Granada combines the special characteristics of the Islamic, Jewish, and Christian cultures in its architecture, music, dance, and food. The Alhambra, Spain's most spectacular Moorish monument, reflects the Islamic influence of the centuries-long occupation of Spain. Granada's narrow streets and fountains, the gypsy caves of Sacromonte, the flamenco, and plazas ringed by cafes evoke a longing for the romance and folklore of traditional Spanish life. Granada is within a one-hour drive of both the snowcapped peaks of the Sierra Nevada Mountains and the tropical beaches of the Costa del Sol in southern Spain.

The Universidad de Granada was founded in 1526 by King Carlos V and is recognized as one of the top universities of Spain. During its centuries of existence, the Universidad de Granada has grown in social and cultural importance to become one of the major intellectual focal points in southern Spain. With over 60,000 students, almost one-fifth of Granada's population, the university contributes to the youthful and dynamic atmosphere of the city. Students enroll in regular university courses. All classes are taught entirely in Spanish.

[www.ugr.es](http://www.ugr.es)

#### Academic Areas

Art History	History
Geography	Humanities
International Relations	Political Science
Social Sciences	Spanish Literature

#### Room and Board

Students going to Granada must secure housing on their own. Referrals can be made to accommodations in privately owned and operated

residences for university students. Students may also arrange on their own to rent or share apartments upon arrival. It is suggested that students arrive two weeks prior to the start of classes to rent or share an apartment.

## **UNIVERSIDAD ANTONIO DE NEBRIJA**

### **Madrid**

#### **Undergraduate Program**

#### **Semester Programs Only**

The Universidad Antonio de Nebrija is a smaller, new private university with two campuses in la Berzosa and Dehesa de la Villa. The Berzosa campus is located about 30 minutes by commuter rail outside the city center and offers some communications, business and engineering programs. The Dehesa de la Villa campus is more centrally located in Madrid and offers the Estudios Hispánicos courses which include Spanish language and literatures, and other humanities and social sciences courses.

Students enroll in regular university courses. In many cases, classes are offered for an entire academic year. Semester courses may be limited. Most classes are taught entirely in Spanish.

[www.nebrija.com](http://www.nebrija.com)

#### **Academic Areas**

Art History	Business/Marketing
Communications	Humanities
Spanish Literature	Computer Science

#### **Room and Board**

Students can choose to be placed in privately owned and operated residences for university students. Nebrija can also place students with a host family upon request. Students may make their own accommodations.

#### **Regular University Course Dates**

Fall: Late September to early February  
Spring: Mid-February to late June

#### **Estudios Hispánicos Program Dates**

Fall: Mid September to mid December  
Spring: Early February to late May

Note: The courses in the Estudios Hispánicos program run along more of a U.S. academic calendar so a fall program in these courses in Madrid would not conflict with the start of the spring at UM.

## **UNIVERSIDAD POLITÉCNICA DE MADRID and UNIVERSIDAD POLITÉCNICA DE VALENCIA**

### **Undergraduate Program**

#### **Semester and Year Programs**

The Universidad Politécnica de Madrid and Universidad Politécnica de Valencia are regarded as Spain's top universities for engineering and architecture. UPM's main campus is centrally located in Madrid, close to the Complutense, while UPV's main campus is situated in the Mediterranean city of Valencia. These are a new exchange agreements that were pursued by UM's College of Engineering.

All coursework will be in Spanish. Engineering and architecture students may consider applying for this exchange program.

[www.upv.es](http://www.upv.es) or [www.upm.es](http://www.upm.es)

#### **Academic Areas**

Architecture	Fine Arts (UPV only)
Engineering	Business (UPV only)

## **UNIVERSIDAD DE CANTABRIA**

### **Santander**

#### **Undergraduate Program**

#### **Semester/Year/Summer Programs**

Cantabria is a unique region because of the great diversity of its environment. The coastal landscape with its array of beaches and cliffs contrasts with the high mountain areas such as the nearby Picos de Europa. The climate is mild and rain is common throughout the year. Santander is a medium-sized town of approximately 200,000 inhabitants. It was founded in the 18th century and developed rapidly during the next century because of expanding commerce. Since then it has become well known as a seaside resort. The town offers a friendly atmosphere in a beautiful natural setting with extensive beaches and attractive promenades. Water and beach sports are particularly popular.

The Universidad de Cantabria was established in 1972. It currently has about 13,000 students studying primarily in the fields of science, business, teacher education, and engineering.

[www.unican.es](http://www.unican.es)

#### **Academic Areas**

Economics	Education
Engineering	Geography/History
Natural Sciences	Telecommunications

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### **Semester/Year Program Prerequisites**

Minimum overall GPA 3.0 Fluency or advanced skills in Spanish language. UM students should have taken through at least Spanish 214 (or the equivalent course) prior to participation.

Students who will only take classes conducted in English at the Universidad de Alicante's International Business Program or the Universidad Pontificia Comillas should have completed one or two 200-level Spanish classes prior to participation

### Application Deadlines

Fall or Year: February 1  
Spring: September 1  
Summer: March 1

### Program Dates (unless otherwise specified)

Fall: Late September to early February  
Spring: Mid-February to late June

Note: In university courses, final exams are scheduled after the term ends, and can run through early February and early July. Students who intend to study in Spain for one semester should plan to apply for the spring semester.

### Requirements

- Completed application and essay
- Two faculty recommendations
- Foreign Language Evaluation (except for Business programs in English at Alicante and Comillas)
- Official transcript
- GPA requirements for semester programs
- Personal interview
- \$500 nonrefundable deposit is due upon acceptance (deducted from program cost)

### Estimated Expenses

	Semester
UM Tuition	\$17,103
Room and Board	\$3,500
Health Insurance	\$650
Books and Supplies	\$300
IIEP Fee	\$150
TOTAL	<hr/> \$21,703

\*Please note that the room and board and other expenses are estimates and will vary depending upon the type of accommodations and the exchange rate at the time of study. Personal expenses such as laundry, entertainment, and local transportation are approximately \$1,500 per semester. Room and board in Madrid is about \$1,000 more than in the other Spanish cities. UM

tuition is based on 2008-2009 rates.

### Academic Credit

Students are registered at the University of Miami and earn 12-18 undergraduate or credits per semester for all approved courses. Upon completion of the courses overseas, a transcript from the overseas university will be sent to the IIEP office. The grades and credits will be converted to UM grades and credits according to the Grading Scale established by International Admission. The course titles, grades, and credits will be reported to the Registrar and placed on your UM transcript. Non-UM students will receive a UM transcript, and one will be sent to the Registrar of your home university.

### Travel Arrangements

Students are responsible for making their own travel arrangements.

### Financial Aid

Most forms for University of Miami financial aid are available to UM students studying abroad. Students receiving financial aid from other institutions should contact their financial aid office to determine if the aid is transferable. Students should also check the study abroad website for other scholarships that may be applicable for their study abroad program:

[www.miami.edu/studyabroad](http://www.miami.edu/studyabroad).

### Medical Insurance

Participants are required to secure health insurance to provide adequate coverage for any injuries and/or illnesses that they may sustain or experience while participating in the program, including coverage for medical evacuation and repatriation of remains.

### Passport and Visa

A valid passport is required for travel abroad. Students should inquire at the U.S. Passport Agency in their city or contact their local U.S. Post Office for information. Student visa information will be provided upon acceptance.



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