

Prerequisites (Minimum requirements)*

- 1) Completion of **Spanish 102**.
- 2) A grade of **C** or better in last Spanish course completed; if grade in this course is below a **C**, the student in question may not re-take the course to qualify.
- 3) Completion of a Spanish course either in fall or spring of current academic year.
- 4) GPR of at least 2.0.
- 5) Interview with the program director.
- 6) Seniors who are not Spanish majors or minors are not eligible.

***The program director reserves the right to accept only the most competitive applicants of those meeting the minimum requirements. Satisfying these requirements does not constitute automatic acceptance into the program.**

Deadlines:

- 1) **\$500** non-refundable deposit by **December 12, 2005** to Dr. Segle. **No cash.** Check made out to *The Citadel*.
- 2) First payment of **\$1500** due by **January 16, 2006** at latest—in the Spain Study Abroad Account, Treasurer's Office.*
- 3) Balance of **\$1000** due by **February 15, 2006**.*

*Deposit receipts must be submitted to Dr. Segle, Modern Languages.

Program Purpose and Citadel Expectations for Cadets Abroad:

The primary purpose of the *Cid Summer Study in Spain* program is the provision of a language/culture-learning experience while immersed in a Spanish-speaking country. For the program's success, however, it is essential that all program participants are willing to take full advantage of this educational opportunity: this requires consistent out-of-class preparation, positive, extended interaction with the Spanish community, punctuality for planned excursions, and full cooperation with, tolerance, and respect for others.

This program **is not** a vacation/party in Europe and, consequently, your director's academic expectations are high. Any student who behaves in a manner detracting from his/her performance will receive appropriate grades.

A student's final grades comprise the following elements (not necessarily in order of importance):

- 1) performance in the courses taught by Sampere instructors and *The Citadel* Program Director(s),
- 2) attendance and punctuality in classes,
- 3) participation and punctuality in excursions,
- 4) general attitude toward the Spanish people and culture, and
- 5) behavior in Spanish society.

It is essential that The Citadel cadet/program participant follow the same code of respect, honor, loyalty, high moral conduct, and overall appropriate behavior in Spain as expected while enrolled at *The Citadel* campus. Any cadet/participant who dishonors the institution through such behavior as public intoxication (this includes the classroom), unlawful acts, or any action that reflects negatively on *The Citadel* is subject to immediate dismissal from the program by the Program Director(s) at the student's own expense.

Since *The Citadel* will be participating with other institutions in the numerous scheduled excursions, it is imperative that Citadel participants arrive at least **10 minutes prior to departure**. Any cadet/participant who is not punctual will be left behind. **DON'T BE LATE!!!** Since the student's final grade is contingent upon participation in these cultural activities, his/her attendance is mandatory and critical for a good mark.

Checklist Recommendations:

- 1) You will be responsible for your own round-trip air transportation from the U.S. to Madrid. Time and place of meeting in the Madrid airport will be announced. **Do not reserve flights until instructed to do so! Please be aware that your purchase of plane tickets does not constitute acceptance into the program. Your definitive acceptance is realized if you satisfy the Prerequisites (as described above) upon completing the Citadel semester**

immediately prior to the program's commencement.

2) Acquire passport **ASAP**. Visit the following link for application and instructions: [U.S. Passport Information](#). Make photocopies of all important documents and guard in separate place from originals (In case of theft).

3) **PACK LIGHT & PACK RIGHT**: Pack as light as possible for extended manual hauling. Highly recommended: collapsible luggage such as army-issued duffel bags/backpacks. Two pieces of luggage is plenty (1 small, empty duffel bag might be packed to store gifts you wish to purchase for family and friends). You cannot rely on classmates to haul your goods.

Necessary Items:

a) toiletries: essentials such as deodorant, toothbrush and paste, nail clippers, soap {can also be used as shampoo}

b) one pair of sneakers (or excellent walking shoes), 1 pair of casual shoes, socks, underwear, T-shirts, 2 pairs of jeans, 1 or 2 pairs of casuals—like Duckheads, 2 or so button-down shirts (like Polo), 2 pairs dress shorts, 1 spring jacket, 2 small bath towels, camera and film.

****Be sure your luggage is routed properly to final destination; luggage is commonly misplaced or misdirected. Watch the ticketing of luggage by the agent.**

4) An **international calling card** is useful. (Phone calls in your residences in Spain prohibited.) A **major credit card** for emergency situations or for purchases (**Visa** and **MasterCard** are widely accepted, **not Amex**). Most phone booths accept major credit cards (actually the cheapest way to call home, but not necessarily the most reliable since some phone booths have difficulty processing major credit cards).

5) Before leaving for Spain, money may be exchanged at a major bank (i.e., Nations Bank). If you exchange beforehand, only convert \$20-30. The best way to access cash while in Spain is with an **ATM card**. Generally, there are no foreign ATM fees charged when withdrawing money abroad, and there are no commissions. Traveler's checks are recommended only as backup if you lose your ATM card.

6) The Sampere Institute with the Spanish Government's policy covers Health Insurance, but additional coverage will be acquired through Capt. Bedenbaugh's office as required by The Citadel.

7) Be sure that your instructor has your home address, phone #, and person to contact in case of an emergency during your stay abroad.

8) To start out on the right foot in Spain, be sure to bring two small gifts for your host families (Madrid and Alicante or Puerto de Santa María): something typical from Charleston or your hometown like a coffee-table book or some knickknacks. This is very courteous and important gesture in Hispanic culture.

Required Materials for Classes:

To be announced.

**For further information, contact Dr. Segle, seglez1@citadel.edu,
2006 Program Director.**