

**Instructional Related Activities  
Report Form**

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ACTIVITY TITLE	DATE (S) OF ACTIVITY
Social Change in Spain II	June 2-July 1, 2012

**PLEASE EXPLAIN (1) DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY; (2) HOW DID THE ACTIVITY RELATE TO A COURSE(S); AND (3) WHAT YOU LEARNED FROM THE PROCESS.**

- (1) STUDENTS COMPLETING EITHER SOC/SPAN 429 OR SPAN 410 COURSES ARE GIVEN FIRST PREFERENCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SECOND PORTION OF THE COURSE – SOCIAL CHANGE IN SPAIN II. THE COURSE THIS YEAR CONSISTED OF ONE MONTH BASED IN MÁLAGA, SPAIN AT THE INSTITUTO ANDALUSÍ. STUDENTS RECEIVED 80 HOURS OF LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION, AS WELL AS EXCURSIONS AND GUIDED VISITS TO THE FOLLOWING: GRANADA (ALHAMBRA AND GENERALIFE), THE PICASSO MUSEUM, THE SCHOOL OF FLAMENCO, THE SEMANA SANTA MUSEUM. OPTIONAL EXCUSIONS INCLUDED MOROCCO, SEVILLA, NERJA AND FRIGILIANA. STUDENTS BOARDED WITH SPANISH FAMILIES FOR A NEARLY TOTAL IMMERSION EXPERIENCE. THERE WERE THREE BEGINNERS, TWO INTERMEDIATE, AND THE REMAINING NINE STUDENTS WERE HERITAGE SPEAKERS WITH SOME DIFFICULTIES IN WRITING, READING AND GRAMMAR. THE STUDENTS WROTE A SERIES OF 8 ESSAYS ON SOCIAL ISSUES AND THEMES POSED BY THE INSTRUCTOR. TOPICS INCLUDED THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TRAVEL AND TOURISM, THE SPANISH ECONOMY, UNEMPLOYMENT, THE NEITHER-NOR GENERATION (NO EMPLOYMENT/NO STUDIES), ETC. THE STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED MAJORED IN SOCIOLOGY, SPANISH, PSYCHOLOGY, BUSINESS, COMMUNICATION, HISTORY AND LIBERAL STUDIES.
- (2) THE LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL IMMERSION PORTION OF THE SUMMER COURSE EXTENDS THE MATERIAL FROM SOC/SPAN 429, SOCIAL CHANGE IN SPAIN, WHICH LOOKS AT SUCH ISSUES AS IMMIGRATION IN THE E.U., RACISM, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT, CHANGING FAMILY TIES ETC. HOWEVER, IF THERE ARE NOT SUFFICIENT STUDENTS FROM 429 OR 410 (WHICH FOCUSES SPECIFICALLY ON SPANISH CULTURE), THE COURSE IS OPEN TO ANY OTHER STUDENT WANTING TO PARTICIPATE WHO IS SELECTED BY THE ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE. IN OUR EXPERIENCE ABOUT HALF OF THE STUDENTS TAKE THE PRE-REQUISITE COURSES AND ANOTHER HALF HAVE NOT. THIS SUMMER WAS TYPICAL: OF THE 14, 8 HAD TAKEN 429. I RECEIVED FEEDBACK FROM STUDENTS WHO HAD NOT TAKEN THE COURSE THAT THEY WISH THEY HAD.
- (3) THIS WAS THE SIXTH YEAR OF THE PROGRAM. I ALWAYS REQUEST STUDENT

FEEDBACK AND LEARN FROM THEM. THE HOST HOUSING MAY BE THE BEST PART OF THE EXPERIENCE, AND OUR STUDENTS LEARN FROM SPANISH FAMILIES AND OTHER FOREIGN (GENERALLY EUROPEANS FROM GERMANY, NETHERLANDS, FRANCE AND DENMARK) STUDENTS LIVING IN THEIR HOUSEHOLDS. THE LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION IS SUPERB. THE MONTH-LONG STAY WITH TWO THREE DAY WEEKENDS STRUCTURED IN THE MIDDLE WAS VERY EFFECTIVE AND THE RIGHT AMOUNT OF TIME. LANGUAGE IMPROVEMENT WAS DRAMATIC AND STUDENTS HAD GREATER OPPORTUNITIES TO REALLY GET TO KNOW THE AREA AND HAVE THEIR OWN EXPERIENCES. THE MAIN CRITICISM THIS YEAR IS THAT COURSE UNITS DO NOT REFLECT THE AMOUNT OF WORK. WE SET THE UNITS AT 2 CREDITS SEVERAL YEARS AGO TO LOWER COSTS TO STUDENTS.

\*\*Please attach assessment forms from students, list of attendees, peoplesoft program report

E-mail to the Dean's Office  
30 days after activity

## Initial Report

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### 1. Please rate pre-departure program preparation (selection process, information sessions or orientations...)

#	Answer	Min Value	Max Value	Average Value	Standard Deviation	Responses
1	Pre-departure preparation	2.10	5.00	4.22	1.09	9

### 2. Comments about pre-departure preparation?

#### Text Response

I believe Spanish/Sociology 429 should be a pre-requirement.

Professor was unorganized. There was very little information given about our trip. Homework assignments were last minute with no sort of grading scale. There was also no syllabus, grading criteria or information about how we were going to be graded at the institute of Andulusia.

It would be great to advise all future travelers of this trip to take notes of tips they would recommend to the travelers after them. These students would attend one orientation session and share these tips with students. Would serve as a great life saver and heads up! Tips regarding money and what to expect would be great. There was a lot that was not mentioned to us at the meetings.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	3

### 3. Please rate the performance of the host institution and/or contracted agency.

#	Answer	Min Value	Max Value	Average Value	Standard Deviation	Responses
1	Host institution or contracted agency	1.00	5.00	4.41	1.27	11

## 4. Comments about host institution and/or contracted agency?

### Text Response

The only good thing about the institute de Andulusia was their location. I know this sounds harsh but considering the fact that I was studying in Spain for a month and in class 5 hours a day, and yet, the bulk of what I learned, I taught myself. The school was a waste of time and money. Channels islands should absolutely find a new place to send the students to. Nobody at the school learned anything (except the fluent spanish speakers but that's because they already spoke Spanish and they spent half their classes watching movies). All the other students I talked to, not just from CI but students from Germany, Denmark, etc, all found the school to be incapable of teaching students at the beginning level how to speak Spanish. They did not begin with any of the fundamentals, half of the class was wasted on just the two more advanced spanish speakers just chatting away with the teachers while the the rest of us just had to sit and wait for their lengthy conversations to end. I know I have left a million other instances out but at the moment these are what come to mind. As an A student, who graduated magna cum laude, I believe, if I'm not doing well in a class, it is not my fault, especially because I always excel above and beyond my peers. Due to the fact that all the beginners did poorly and felt like they wasted their time and money is a testament to the Institute of Andulusia's inadequate and inefficient teaching methods. For the level zero Spanish class, there were two girls who had studied Spanish for 4 years and the two others who had just started Spanish. Somehow, the teachers (who did not speak English) determined that the girls with 4+ years of Spanish improved significantly more the two student who had never had any Spanish - even though we never had any tests, quizzes or objective means of measure our progress until the last day of class when we insisted on taking a final exam because we were being evaluated unfairly. Honestly if I didn't know better, I would have thought a bunch of drunks and drug addicts had decided to make some extra money and through this school together as a easy way to do it. (I do not use the term "drug addict" loosely - one of my teachers there would go to the restroom during the break and then come back with a complete personality change; he would suddenly become very hyped up, easily annoyed and would have this running nose/sniffle problem and be unable to stop moving his mouth - of course he didn't even notice any of this but that's probably because he was high)

The institute was very friendly and offered many tour options, the only thing I would suggest for them is to update their computers to faster ones, often I tried to check my emails and it took most of my time for long break.

Great

I absolutely loved the institute and all of the professors! They were so welcoming and made our stay the most pleasant!

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	4

## 5. Please rate the in-country transportation arrangements (bus, train, plane...)

#	Answer	Min Value	Max Value	Average Value	Standard Deviation	Responses
1	In-country transportation	3.80	5.00	4.89	0.36	11

## 6. Please rate the housing arrangements (quality, location, safety, cleanliness...)

#	Answer	Min Value	Max Value	Average Value	Standard Deviation	Responses
1	Housing arrangements	4.00	5.00	4.91	0.30	11

## 7. Comments about housing arrangements?

### Text Response

Best thing about the trip is the family I stayed with.

Pretty nice housing arrangements - food was very cheap though and house was not very clean, especially not our bathroom.

I can say I was very happy with my home arrangements, eventhough there is no TV in the bedrooms, It was a little weird at first but then it was great to be able to actually have to interact with my host mom and talk. I can only say that happily she went beyond my expectations and made us feel right at home.

Amazing housing arrangement

I love my host mom! I still plan on keeping in touch with her. She was so welcoming and really made us feel at home. The neighborhood was safe and the house we were staying at was very close to school

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	5

## 8. Comments about in-country transportation?

### Text Response

Public transportation system is incredibly easy, cheap and useful in Spain. Wish we had such a great public transportation system over here. It would make my life so much easier!

Great transportation

It was very easy to get around the city. A bus was available about every 5 minutes. The living arrangement were all within range of a bus stop. There was a bus station nearby that allowed students to explore out of the city. The cabs were too expensive, but the bus was affordale ( 10 trips for 7 euros)

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	3

## 9. Please rate the student group (in terms of group dynamics, maturity, cross-cultural sensitivity...)

#	Answer	Min Value	Max Value	Average Value	Standard Deviation	Responses
1	Group	1.00	5.00	3.88	1.20	11

## 10. Comments about the group?

### Text Response

Good group of students but there did seem to be a slight divide between native Spanish speakers and non-native Spanish speakers

The group was great, there were only minor conflicts but overall we all helped each other, especially the ones fluent in the Spanish language were always ready to help the ones learning on a lower level. Also we all went out in large groups so no one would feel left out. Overall great attitude made the trip more enjoyable for a group full of girls.

Very understanding and mature group . We were able to have good conversation.

I would say 90% of the group was very mature, dynamic, and cross-culture sensitive. For the most part, it was a wonderful group and everyone got along with everyone. Mostly everyone kept an open mind. There were a select few who did not reflect cross-cultural sensitivity but it seems as if their attitude bettered towards the end of the trip which means the trip benefited them a lot!

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	4

## 11. Please rate how health and safety issues were handled during the trip

#	Answer	Min Value	Max Value	Average Value	Standard Deviation	Responses
1	Health and safety	1.50	5.00	4.05	1.35	10

## 12. Comments about health and safety?

### Text Response

The families tried to help students with health needs. The few times I talked to Beth about some health issues I was having pretty much went in one ear and out the other

There were a couple of girls in the trip who needed medical assistance and they both got it right away, I was pleased to see that if anything happened I would be taken care of in a strange country. The travel insurance was really good.

Heath issues handled very well

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	3

### 13. 1. Please describe key positives and reflect on reasons for the success.

#### Text Response

I loved how we had a month stay in Spain.

The course and the trip were very well planned out and this helped to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience.

Staying with a family allowed for an excellent immersion experience

Communication was effective, eventhough we did not have cellphone service many of the girls carried devises like a tablet, iphone, or a laptop and were able to share info about our weekly journals or just to get direccions. The many visits to museums included in our learning experience were also very positive, we first learned at the institute, but then later we had a field trip to the museums and it was very informative. Great teaching tool. Also having Dr. Hartung available for us and making sure we were all ok was very reasuring for everyone, it was great that often even after class we would see her around town always with a great big smile on her face.

I think that our professors at the insttute were really helpfulin terms of making us comprehend the cultural issues in Spain.

Very open proffesors. Educational tours and trips

The School, Andalusi, offers incredible teachers that really help to provide cultural information as well as language instruction. My family was also very generous and I really value my time spent with them.

The course was successful because I took the Social Change in Spain course. I felt I was prepared because I also spoke Spanish. I think intermediate level spanish should be a requirement because it is hard to accomodate everyone who wants special accomodations in a FOREIGN COUNTRY!!! Loved that we had an extra weekend to explore, thanks to that weeked I saw more of Spain, I got the opportunity to visit Cordoba and Sevilla. It was worth going to school an hour earlier.

I loved that we had the opportunity to bond with the group before leaving. Also, I feel that because the group got along so well, we were able to stick with each other and help each other out avoiding troublesome moments. I also like the amount of free time we were given! It allowed us to explore things on our own and what better way to grow as an individual than to learn to independently problem solve and find the way to an objective on our own!

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	9

## 14. 2. What did you learn on this program that you couldn't learn at Channel Islands?

### Text Response

To appreciate everything I have. It was a once in a lifetime experience that everyone should be able to have. I submerged myself in the culture versus being a tourist.

I learned about the culture and people of Spain in a first hand experience.

I was able to interact with people and discuss important issues in their country as far as unemployment, strikes, etc. It is not the same to learn through lectures and books about a country than to experience it.

What it is like to live in a different culture

First of all I learned a great deal about myself, it is always challenging to be away from home and from a comfortable environment. I also learned to appreciate the differences of another culture and their life style, which is different than ours in the U.S. I was able to see and observe what is a priority for them, also their social problems. I also had an opportunity to participate in their happy moments of celebration like when the Spanish soccer team played against another country and won, the whole community went wild and it was an amazing experience, and I am not even a soccer fan. This program allowed me to learn from another perspective the way the world see our own country and helped me appreciate even more what we have here in the U.S.

Being in Spain really made me see what I had learned in class. I think it was important to be there and actually live there to understand social issues affecting everyday people.

How to interact and connect with other cultures in an environment unfamiliar to you

Global differences and overall similarities between people in Spain and the United States were viewed from a personal standpoint with a combined Spanish language acquisition program.

I learned and lived with a Spanish family that made a huge difference in learning about the culture and integrating myself as a traveler.

I was able to witness everything firsthand. Reading a passage from a textbook is not the same thing as hearing it from someone who is living the situation.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	10

## 15. 3. What do you know now that you wish you'd known before you went?

### Text Response

I wish I knew more information about Morocco.

The class had enough meetings to get our questions answered and to prepare us to travel. Previous to the trip to Spain I spoke to students who went to Spain previously.

They I should have taken this class credit/no credit it so it wouldn't have lowered my gpa

I know now that technology and communications is different and needed to learn to be without a cellphone or that Wifi is not available everywhere like it is here. Other than that I think I was informed well about what to expect in this trip.

I wish I was informed on how hot it would be. Pretty much weather conditions.

Not to be nervous .

More Spanish!

I felt I was informed very well

More information about how much money to take and smarter choices when it comes to saving money.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	9

**16. 4. What suggestions would you provide the faculty director for revisions that would produce a better international experience for future groups?**

**Text Response**

To try to get as many people in the class first and know a moderate level of spanish.

It would have been nice to get to know the group before going on the trip. We all got to know each other quickly, but knowing each other before may have made it easier and less scary.

More prepared and hands on instructor of the class and a different language school

The four trip week was good, eventhough it was getting though the last week of the trip with people getting homesick and also running low on money, but overall looking back we got a lot done during that month.

I think that ALL students should be required to take the social change in Spain class and have at LEAST a basic understanding of the Spanish language to have a decent baisc Spanish conversation. Students should be tested on their Spanish level BEFORE getting admitted to this program.

I would advise them to help the group experiance the culture with an open mind and try to educate those who aren't being so open and understanding .

A mandatory Social Change in Spain course, if possible

Just to provide orientation meetings that are much more informative.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	8

**17. 5. Please comment on your faculty director/s (organization, leadership, preparedness, knowledge of the country, helpfulness...)**

**Text Response**

Professor Hartung was always very well prepared and informed of everything. I was confident that she would ensure that everything would go smoothly and knew I could come to her with any problems or questions. She was very organized and knowledgeable. Professor Hartung was very knowledgeable about the country and she was with us at all times when we went to field trips to make sure the students were at the right place. Also, she made sure that we got to experience the culture by preparing field trips to learn more about Spain.

Already talked about Dr. Hartung. Though she is a very nice woman, she is not especially helpful to the students or present for students when they need her. Therefore this program would benefit from a more hands on teacher, someone who actually wants to teach.

Dr. Hartung was always prepared and ready to help anyone who needed information or just an answer to their concerns. Her knowledge of the area was very helpful, she also wanted to make sure our group left a good impression at the institute and I hope we did. Her leadership was effective and that made a very smooth and enjoyable learning experience.

I think our professor was pretty good about organization and preparedness but I do feel like she should have been a part of all the activities that she had planned for us. I feel like she should have been going to Morocco with the group because I think we would all have felt more secure having our professor along in a foreign third world country.

Very helpful and knowledgeable

Great!

She was awesome! Very enthusiastic about the trip and very helpful.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	8

**18. 6. Please comment on the academic quality of the program (content, learning objectives, assignments, feedback, evaluation...)**

**Text Response**

I feel that I learned a lot and gained a lot from this experience.

The program was very successful. I also learned about Spain history making the visits to Cathedrals, etc. more enjoyable.

Very little formatting. No syllabus, no organization, no course objectives, poor curriculum. As a senior, I can say, this is hands down one of the worst experiences of class/grading that I've ever had at CI - of course the trip to Spain was terrific though.

Learning experience was great, I took the Social change in Spain class before this trip and the class was very helpful, I would recommend that people take that class before the trip, it would help them very much.

I think the academic quality was amazing, our professors at the institute helped us understand more than was expected of the course.

Excellent

This was an incredible powerful experience for personal development, as well as academic!

Amazing, learned a bunch, love the professors, loved the institution, the assignments were fun.

I learned so much and the environment of the institute made learning so enjoyable.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	9

## 19. 7. Other comments:

### Text Response

I Had an amazing experiance

I loved this experience and will carry it with me in my heart forever! Thanks for the opportunity!! :)

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	2

## Initial Report

Last Modified: 07/19/2013

### 1. Please rate pre-departure program preparation (selection process, information sessions or orientations...)

#	Answer	Min Value	Max Value	Average Value	Standard Deviation	Responses
1	Pre-departure preparation	4.20	5.00	4.92	0.25	10

### 2. Comments about pre-departure preparation?

#### Text Response

The professor arrange a couple of meetings to give us practical information such as health insurance, documentation, etc.

I enjoyed taking cultures and civilizations of Spain during spring 2013 because I had the opportunity to learn more about the culture and it's people. When I arrived in Spain I knew what to expect and I wasn't shocked when interacting with the Spanish people.

We were given all the necessary information regarding baggage that was acceptable to take as well as measurements and weight it was all very well organized and we were well informed.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	3

### 3. Please rate the performance of the host institution and/or contracted agency.

#	Answer	Min Value	Max Value	Average Value	Standard Deviation	Responses
1	Host institution or contracted agency	4.50	5.00	4.92	0.16	10

### 4. Please rate the in-country transportation arrangements (bus, train, plane...)

#	Answer	Min Value	Max Value	Average Value	Standard Deviation	Responses
1	In-country transportation	5.00	5.00	5.00	0.00	10

## 5. Comments about host institution and/or contracted agency?

### Text Response

Great staff, very outgoing and made me feel welcome since day one. I do wish we had air conditioned classrooms since the temperature was very hot. I am not sure that air conditioning is a norm at institutions in Malaga, but it was still a great experience.

I liked that it was a relaxed environment, very good teachers, but they need to act (and talk) more professionally.

I had a great learning experience at the host site. Learned about teaching methods in Spain.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	3

## 6. Please rate the housing arrangements (quality, location, safety, cleanliness...)

#	Answer	Min Value	Max Value	Average Value	Standard Deviation	Responses
1	Housing arrangements	4.30	5.00	4.87	0.25	10

## 7. Comments about housing arrangements?

### Text Response

The host family was amazing and catered to my immediate needs.

Family was very attentive and polite. The area was quiet, safe and close to school.

I loved my Spanish family and I still keep in contact with them.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	3

## 8. Comments about in-country transportation?

### Text Response

Excellent and cheap transportation.

Transportation in Spain is amazing and for class trips we always had great transportation.

Very easy to get around as well as having transportation provided

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	3

## 9. Please rate the student group (in terms of group dynamics, maturity, cross-cultural sensitivity...)

#	Answer	Min Value	Max Value	Average Value	Standard Deviation	Responses
1	Group	4.20	5.00	4.88	0.25	10

## 10. Comments about the group?

### Text Response

We all got along together. We were all a group of individuals who loved the amazing experience. Thank you!!!

Group was very respectful to cultural differences.

The student group was very interesting. There were 14 females and 1 male so it made it fascinating to see the interactions.

Lethe group was very good loved the group and the atmosphere

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	4

## 11. Please rate how health and safety issues were handled during the trip

#	Answer	Min Value	Max Value	Average Value	Standard Deviation	Responses
1	Health and safety	5.00	5.00	5.00	0.00	10

## 12. Comments about health and safety?

### Text Response

I felt very safe during every trip we made.

For the most part it went well one person injured her foot, and another got a cold but other the that no major issues.

Great. Luckily I never got sick.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	3

### 13. 1. Please describe key positives and reflect on reasons for the success.

#### Text Response

The trip was very well organized, from meeting with the Professor at LAX to being introduced to our host family in Malaga.

The instructors were very outgoing, it is not something I am used to seeing here at CSUCI with my professors. I was able to make connections and feel very comfortable to engage in the course.

Great professor Academic excursions

We were on a great place in this case Spain, an amazing place to learn about a different culture and traditions. We were able to interact with other students who were not from CSUCI. We were surrounded by great people and an amazing environment.

I had the opportunity to be a part of something that I learned about in class. It's very beneficial to actually have the opportunity to be close to a topic or region that is being studied. It adds more meaning to the experience.

In addition to enhancing my Spanish language capabilities, I was able at the same time to explore a different country with a distinct culture. Living with a family, was a great experience because I was introduced to the food and customs that the families have. As compared with dining out, where you don't necessarily build a relationship with the server. The family along with the school faculty were there to help us with our communication abilities as well as exploring the area.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	6

### 14. 2. What did you learn on this program that you couldn't learn at Channel Islands?

#### Text Response

First hand experience of living in a country where the language is unique to my own. Traditions and everyday life style.

I got a first-hand feel of what the "Spaniard way of life" was like. I lived some of the best experiences throughout this trip. I learned a lot from students that came from other countries, and I felt I was truly immersed in their culture, especially by using their slang.

The current situation of Spain that can be understood unless experience it through a host family and interacting with others from that country on a daily basis. The culture experience is one that is essential, which in order to enrich our education we needed to immerse in it and experiment by our own selves using our five senses in order to understand more profoundly.

The culture and people of Spain

I learned more about the Spain cultures, their poetry but the way they teach it is differently. Professors want you to learn the material not memorize it.

Learning directly from Spaniards and listening to what they had to say made it much more meaningful. For example, here in the states we learn about the economical crisis that the Spaniards are going through. I thought that these people were dying in the streets. The reality is that most of them are being innovative and finding ways to still go out at night and have a good time with friends, acquaintances or family.

Different culture aspects that we aren't exposed to at Channel Islands.

Being in the country and actually seeing and experiencing things first hand was incredible. We learned so much about the culture and history, but being able to visit historical sites was unbelievable.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	8

### 15. 3. What do you know now that you wish you'd known before you went?

#### Text Response

N/A

I wish I would've known they eat a lot of fish in Malaga. I am not a big fan, but it was still worthwhile to taste all their different dishes because it is a big part of their culture in Malaga.

How to pack lighter that has nothing to do with the education part but on the other note, if I would have known to carry my CSUCI identification card I would have gotten discounts and even free entrance to the distinct museums and historical and anthropological locations.

That is very cheap to travel from one county to another in Europe.

I wish I could have learned more about the famous artist "Picasso" and his great artistic work as well as the traditions in Spain.

NA

N/a

I wish I would have known that I did not need to pack so much clothing.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	8

### 16. 4. What suggestions would you provide the faculty director for revisions that would produce a better international experience for future groups?

#### Text Response

I cannot think of anything, the overall experience was great. The only thing that comes to my mind is that I wish the trip had been planned so that we could've made it to the festivities they do that is a big part of the Malaga culture and it is a celebration that is awaited all year long.

A more comfortable plane.

The experience was great, I learned so much that it showed how great the professors in Spain are, I would just change where they place the student: not the location but the families, that way the families get to know the students and interact with them.

Making the stay in Spain longer. 4 weeks would be ideal.

Nothing everything was well organized and planned

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	5

**17. 5. Please comment on your faculty director/s (organization, leadership, preparedness, knowledge of the country, helpfulness...)**

**Text Response**

Professor Jimenez was a great leader, mentor, professor, and guide. He did everything possible to make sure our stay in Malaga was pleasant. I am beyond satisfied.

Professor Jimenez did a great job. He often asked us of how things were going on at home and how we felt about the trips we were doing. He checked in with us regularly and was very helpful in terms of advice of how to get around Malaga and what were things we must know about the region.

Profesor Jimenez is an amazingly educated individual who guided us through and have us an immense amount of knowledge. Everything was laid out for us, he really did a great job lining it all out for us which made it easier for us to have a more pleasant educated experience.

OUTSTANDING. Professor Jimenez is a true expert.

Everything was well prepared and the professors knew what they were doing and they didn't mind that you had another different about a certain topic in compare to the professors here on campus.

Our group leader not only made sure that we were always doing well but he prepared is also a native born of Spain. All his personal knowledge helped when going around in Spain and his closeness with the instructors at the institute made it beneficial for the students. This allowed us to get the best experience at the institute because we were learning about topics that were relevant to the professors course objectives.

Perfect he was well prepared and helped with any questions that we had about the town

The faculty director knew the area very well which made the experience so successful and enjoyable. The excursions were very well organized.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	8

**18. 6. Please comment on the academic quality of the program (content, learning objectives, assignments, feedback, evaluation...)**

**Text Response**

Great! The material of the class was always interesting and professors always used real life events to help us understand.

Our class was very interactive and participant which is what I think made the academic experience better. I learned a lot about the Spaniard culture and appropriate use of language. I was benefited academically more than I had expected and achieved my goals.

very good program. Doing a journal as part of the homework was very helpful and fun.

The academic quality was great, we had great feed back on our assignments.

Assignments were great because they allowed the students to reflection.

Some of the material we covered was review from our class, but what was interesting was hearing it from the Spanish point of view. There was also sessions which covered grammar and poetry that had not been extensively covered at CI, therefore covering those topics was very beneficial. The teachers at the institute were very knowledgable about all the information we covered and if we had any confusions or questions they figured out a way to address them.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	6

## 19. 7. Other comments:

### Text Response

The overall experience was great! I cannot thank everyone enough for the wonderful opportunities our campus provides. I hope to take a similar trip again with my peers and I am sure that this trip is very beneficial for CI students.

It was the best experience of my life!

It will be amazing that we could have professors like the ones in Spain here on campus. The kind of professors that want you to learn the material and not just memorize it and that help you when need it with out judging you or making you feel bad.

Great experience and incredible professor. I would truly advice other students to do this next year. It is a lifetime experience.

I am so grateful I had the opportunity to do something like this. Never would I have imagined being abroad during my college years. The fact that I was there as a student and not just as another visiting tourist really helped me learn and become part of the culture the time I spent there. It 's incredible that the school grants funds for such marvelous educational trips that make an impact in the lives of students.

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	5