

Barcelona

**A Catalan,
Spanish,
Mediterranean,
European,
and
Global City**



A **summer research and study abroad program** of the Department of International Studies, the European Union Center, and the Jean Monnet Chair of European Integration, at the **University of Miami**

June 30 - July 27, 2019

Barcelona, Spain



What is the cost?

As with any other courses in the University of Miami curriculum, the basic expense is the 3-credit fee. In addition, the study abroad “program fee” includes the cost of lodging for the residency of four weeks. This includes all services (room cleaning, internet, phone, solarium, sports, and swimming pool). The fee also includes the charge for the visit of a number of museums, a Barcelona public transportation card of unlimited use, side trips to Tarragona and Girona, as well as welcome and farewell dinners.



Standard tuition-remission benefits apply, as in the regular semester of Fall and Spring.

For scholarship and loan programs, please consult the Office of Financial Assistance.

Students who are eligible for loans may take out loans in consultation with the Financial Aid Office. Students must be enrolled at least part-time in the summer term in order to take out loans.

Part-time in the summer is considered 6 credits for undergraduate students and 3 credits for graduate students.

Students are encouraged to apply for study abroad scholarships. Information about scholarships is accessible at

<http://studyabroad.miami.edu/students/finances/scholarships/index.html>.

Air travel cost to Barcelona varies depending on airlines, multiple transfers, and usage of miles programs. Please consult air carriers' websites directly.

Where will participants reside?

Lodging

Residential Site: University Residence Josep Manyanet,

Owned and operated by the **Order of the Holy Family**, administering K-12 schools in Spain through a system similar to the US limited vouchers, and in four continents, including the United States.



The university residence strictly adheres to a separation of church and state law. A Catholic parish is run by the same order, Protestant and Jewish churches are within walking distance. Address: Entença 307-309, 08029 Barcelona. Phone: + (34) 93-3631290. Web: www.residencia-manyanet.org; <http://www.residencia-manyanet.org/home>

The residence is within short distance of several **main schools and colleges of the University of Barcelona (UB)** <http://www.ub.edu/web/ub/en/index.html> (including the prestigious Law School and the School of Economics and Business).

Regular residents are students of the universities of Barcelona. There are undergraduate, graduate, doctoral candidates and postdoctoral researchers, including a number of foreign students in different fields.

Rooms are mostly single (the option for UM participants), with double options. All have a private bathroom and a small refrigerator. There are also small apartments (“Master rooms”) for faculty.



Rooms are completely cleaned twice a week. Laundry machines and dryers are available in the residence building, coin-operated. All linen is provided and changed once a week, with the exception of towels (need to be brought individually by residents).



The lodging cost (which is part of the required “Program Fee”) includes the free use of the top of the building solarium, fully equipped gymnasium, whirlpool, sauna, and indoor (25 m) swimming pool.

Basketball and tennis courts are also available to residents for free. “Paddle” courts



are available, for an extra fee through a concession arrangement. All rooms are fully **A/C equipped** (a rare availability in standard university residences that cater to students during the regular term), and have direct high-quality **Wi-Fi**. Students will be required to follow readings via laptops, with regular UM Blackboard connections. A telephone line is available in every

room for incoming calls.

What are the general safety and discipline rules?

The residence is located in a **safe neighborhood (Les Corts, a city district of Barcelona)**. This area holds family and single apartments (**middle and upper class income**) mixed with shops of all kinds of trade. **Crime rate is extremely low or non-existent**. In fact, the block just west of the residence is fully occupied by the central headquarters of the autonomous Catalonia police (Mossos d’Escuadra, equivalent to the Spanish Civil Guard). However, simple and sensible caution is advised to avoid the discomfort of incidents such as pickpocket thefts. In sum, **general security in the neighborhood will be comparable to Coral Gables**. **Residential discipline regulation conditions are as strict as in the UM dormitories**. Rooms are strictly for individual use. Access to building and rooms is available 24 hours.



What arrangements can be made for meals?

Meals are available (at reduced-controlled charges) at “ClassRoom”, a private concession restaurant, within the residence building

<https://www.google.es/maps/place/ClassRoom/@41.3903413,2.1504141,14z/data=!4m5!3m4!1s0x12a4987a4ec04635:0x40f9b5d7f42bd4fe!8m2!3d41.3891138!4d2.1386875>.



Cost of full meals are \$13 (lunch-dinner) and \$6 (breakfast). Those are very competitive prizes in comparison with similar businesses in the zone.

This is a **concession within the same premises**, but residents are free to choose other private restaurants or cafeterias in the neighborhood or beyond, including the lunch facilities of the University of Barcelona (UB) schools in the vicinity. The ClassRoom restaurant has full access to internet and

laptop connections to allow students extended work accessibility.

A 3-hour free parking courtesy is available for guests of customers. Agreements for full meal plans (breakfast, lunch and dinner) or partial (breakfast and one meal) are available.

Is there any shopping facility close by?

The site is within one block from one of the most popular and prestigious **shopping centers, L'Illa**. Just north of the residence is one of the most expensive homes and apartments areas in the city (Sarrià and Pedralbes sections). Two **Corte Inglés** stores (the largest general merchandise retail business in Spain, similar to Macy's, Sears, etc.) are within walking distance. Dozens of small shops and markets are within a couple of blocks.



What kind of transportation is recommended?

The neighborhood is served directly by a **dozen of bus and tramway lines** (and a **metro station within walking distance** or by a short tramway transfer), reaching most important tourist, government and cultural sites in a timeframe of 10 to 30 minutes. A 30-minute ride by bus or transfer will be enough to reach the Barcelona beaches in an area from the Olympic harbor to the cruise lines docks (no. 2 in Europe and 4th in the world). A public transportation pass of unlimited use is also included in the program fee for the entire month.

See public transportation network: <https://www.tmb.cat/en/home>



The residence is about a **15-20 minute taxi ride from Barcelona International airport** (approx. cost: \$25-35).

A direct metro line links the airport to the “University Station” and then a short bus transfer, and two-block walk – cost: \$5).

High speed trains to several Spanish cities (especially Madrid just a 2.5 or 3 hour ride) arrive at a station within walking distance, a short bus trip, or a taxi ride at a cost of \$7-10.

What is the personal and professional profile of the Director and sole instructor of the program?

The **Director** of the program, Professor **Joaquín Roy**, is a **Barcelona native, a graduate of the University of Barcelona Law School**, with additional degrees from **Georgetown University (MA and Ph.D.)**. He began his teaching career as an instructor and head of the Spanish studies program at the American School of Barcelona and has been a resident and citizen of the United States for fifty years. He joined the University of Miami in 1976 after teaching at Gilman School in Baltimore, Georgetown University, Johns Hopkins University (SAIS), and Emory University in Atlanta, GA. He is a Full Tenured Professor at the Department of International Studies of the College of Arts and Sciences. He is also Director of the University of Miami's European Union Center and holds a Jean Monnet Chair, both sponsored by the European Union. Among his awards is the Order of Merit Encomienda given by King Juan Carlos of Spain.

His professional relations with all successive **Consul Generals of the United States** have been constant. The staff will be ready for assistance in case of documentary needs (lost passports, certificates, legal advice, etc.). The **Spanish consulate in Miami** has cooperated with all programs of the EU Center at the University of Miami over the years and will offer assistance and support for migration documents. US citizens, as well as EU nationals, do not need to meet any special requirements to travel and reside in EU countries for such short periods as is the case of the summer courses.

What is the nature of the Course(s)?

Course(s) will be offered in **lecture-discussion form**, supplemented by talks and briefings given by faculty members of several universities in Barcelona and government agencies.

Guest lectures and briefings sites will be given in rooms within the residential complex. Some briefings or lectures given by other faculty or government staff may be given in their premises.

- **INS 594 (and/or 510): European Topics: Spain and Catalan history, politics and economics.**
- **INS 656 (and/ or a 605): European Topics: Catalonia and Spain in the Mediterranean and Europe. International relations, trade and regional integration**

3 Credits including the option of an extension to 6 credits following a directed reading project. Applicable to BA, MA and Ph.D. programs in International Studies, and other majors in different UM schools. This course is open to all majors at UM. This course fulfills the Writing credit as well as the People and Society degree requirement at UM.

No formal examinations will be required. Assessment of progress will be based on periodic reports using the format of professional journalism columns or op-ed articles, combined with the writing requirements of European Union internship reports. In fact, the course then meets the format of most EU agencies internships and government agencies duties.

Note: no other students will be inserted. These combined special summer courses are **exclusive for UM students registered** in the summer program.



Tentative schedule (under evaluation) may include daily **regular class sessions between 10am and 12pm (Monday to Thursday).**

Afternoons will be usually free to be used by students or sporadically reserved for guest lecturer briefings.

Group visits to **museums and cultural sites and out of town trips** will be scheduled for **Fridays**. Some **Saturdays** may be used for optional activities.

What topics are going to be subject of discussions and reports?

As a result of the unique nature of Barcelona, nothing in social experience is alien to the city. The exploration of the multiple ingredients of Barcelona could be accomplished by proceeding to uncover a Russian doll. Barcelona in Catalonia, in Spain, in the Mediterranean, in Europe and the World. Barcelona has it all.

Depending on the circumstances at the moment (summer of 2019) and the inclinations of the participants, some of the following themes could be stressed and other deemphasized:

Week 1: July 1-7, 2019

Barcelona in Catalonia

From Rome to Empire; Development; Attraction of immigration; Consolidation; A street grid urban model; Leadership; Economy; Political insertion; Municipal structure; Art; What is the meaning of being a Catalan? Rise and establishment. The Catalan language. Catalan autonomous political institutions. A nation claiming to be a state. In search of independence: a conflictual referendum. Urgency: clash with the Spanish government. Social integration. A problem: unemployment. An engine: tourism

Week 2: July 8- July 14, 2019

Barcelona in Spain

What is "Spain"? From kingdom to global empire. Decline and rebirth. Civil War, Dictatorships, Democracy. A "normal" European State. The link with Latin America. Political confrontation. Internal threats. Economic boom and crisis

Week 3: July 15 – July 21, 2019

Barcelona in the Mediterranean and Europe

A Catalan president once said that Catalonia was “Europe first”. Why? A natural basin in the “Mare Nostrum”. The Union for the Mediterranean. “Spain is the problem and Europe is the solution”. What is the European Union? Contribution to the development of the EU. One of the 4-5 leading states in the EU?

Week 4: July 22 – July 27, 2019

A global city and review

Barcelona in Catalonia. Barcelona in Spain. Barcelona in the Mediterranean. Barcelona in Europe and the world

Suggested reports and research topics (to be inserted in corresponding weeks)

Why is Barcelona attracting an impressive number of tourists?

What are some of its characteristics that make it different to other cities in Spain?

What kind of problems does tourism bring to the city?

What has been the role of the harbor in the historical development?

Is the Sagrada Familia unique or just another large church?

Is there any special meaning for the names of the main streets of Barcelona?

Is it possible to function in Barcelona without understanding or speaking Catalan?

The same president once defined Catalans as the ones who live and work there. Why?

How does the Catalan government prime the use of the language? What is the primary language of instruction in the Catalan schools?

Why are the schools of Barcelona and Catalonia not divided according to language level?

Why has the voting majority of the Catalan parliament been pressing for independence?

Would an independent Catalonia be a full member of the European Union?

When can Catalan elections be called?

How is the learning of Catalan in the rest of Spain? Poor? Why?

Is Catalan difficult to learn?

Which language do foreign immigrants learn first? Why?

Outstanding Catalan artists are Miró and Dalí. The most famous architect in Spain is Gaudí. Is he a representative of Catalan culture?

What is so Catalan in cultural expressions such as the *castellers* and the *sardana*?

What are some special traits of Catalan and Barcelona media?

How is public Catalan television (TV3) followed?

How do some newspapers published in dual editions do?

Are there any subsidies of the Catalan government for that kind of media?



Why is the Football Club Barcelona also referred to as “more than a club”?

Are its fans inclined for independence?

What is the meaning of the unofficial Catalan flag?

Why did the Spanish government and European Union authorities try to ban the use of the independence claims flag in the Barça stadium?

What is the “State of the Autonomies” in the Spanish political system?

Is Spain a semi-federal state?

Which Spanish autonomies have the right to call for their own parliamentary elections?

Are the Spanish Autonomies similar to the German *Laender*, French regions, or the parts of the United Kingdom?

What is “federalismo asimétrico”?

Why has the Spanish Socialist Party (PSOE) suggested the transformation of Spain into a “federation”? What does it mean?

What will be the suggested methodology for drafting the minipapers?

Following a traditional lecture format of basic topics, taking into account the impact of current events, students will be encouraged and advised to engage in the researching and writing of individual weekly report projects. The methodology will be to deal with the challenges that any international reporter would face arriving in Barcelona to research and interpret current events backed with historical and present data. A selection of the papers will be published in the European Union Center/ Jean Monnet Chair series.



The courses are fully accredited for the specialized or elective fields for **International Studies majors and degrees**, and for **other schools and colleges programs**, as prescribed, as well as meeting the requirements of the **“cognate” European Politics.**

The courses are also part of two special enrichment fields in the INS curriculum:

- “Mare Nostrum” (Mediterranean Studies)
- “Atlantis” (European Union, the United States and Latin America relations)

Are there any prescribed readings?

There is no compulsory textbook, but some of the books and publications used in the regular courses of the EU during the year can be recommended. Numerous suggested articles and reports will be available via Blackboard and/or through electronic links.

The following reading list is recommended depending on individual inclinations:

Robert Hughes, *Barcelona*. New York: Knopf, New York: Distributed by Random House, 1992.

DP402.B265 H85 1992

George Orwell, *Homage to Catalonia*. New York: Harcourt, Brace, 1952. DP269.9 .O7 1952

Eduardo Mendoza, *The City of Marvels*. San Diego: Harcourt, 1988. PQ6663.E54 C513 1988

Joaquín Roy, *Spain in the European Union: the First Twenty Five Years (1986-2011)*. European Union Center/ Jean Monnet Chair, 2011. <http://www6.miami.edu/eucenter/books/SPAIN-EU-25.jpg>

John McCormick, *Understanding the European Union*

Sebastián Royo, *Lessons from the economic crisis in Spain*. HC385 .R865 2013

Ildelfonso Falcones, *Cathedral of the Sea*. New York: Dutton, 2008. PQ6656.A375 C38 2006; *La catedral del mar*. Barcelona: Grijalbo, 2006.

Availability will be announced for print and online purchase.

Who are the Faculty?

Joaquín Roy, Professor of International Studies, Jean Monnet Chair and Director of the European Union Center of the University of Miami

Guest Lecturers (TBC), Academic list (to be further developed)

Francesc Granell, Professor, School of Economics, University of Barcelona, former European Union's Commission Director of Development

Esther Arroyo Amayuelas, Professor, Jean Monnet Chair, University of Barcelona Law School

Patricia García-Durán, Professor of Economics, University of Barcelona

Josep Maria de Dios Marcer, Professor of Law, Director, European Studies Center, and former Dean of the School of Law, Autonomous University of Barcelona

Manuel Cienfuegos, Professor of International Law, University Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona

...and others to be added

Institutional and Government

Josep Hereu, Former Mayor of Barcelona

Secretariat staff for Foreign and European Union Affairs, Government of Catalonia

Ferran Tarradellas, Director of the Representation of the EU in Barcelona

Roger Albinyana, Director of Euro-Mediterranean Policies and Regional Programs, European Institute of the Mediterranean

Pere Jordi Figuerola, Director, Gaudi Museum and Foundation

United States Consulate, Barcelona

City of Barcelona, Mayor's Office and External Relations staff

What cultural institutions and museums will be part of the experience?

The following is a tentative list of sites to be visited. About six of them will become a required part of the curriculum, with cost defrayed by the program fee. The rest will be announced and offered as voluntary attendance.



Gaudí's **Sagrada Família** Church

Picasso's Museum

Diocesans Museum of Barcelona

Joan Miró Museum

Barcelona Museum of **Modern Art**

National Museum of Art

Historical Museum of Catalonia

Museum of **Barcelona History**

Football Club Barcelona Museum

Gaudí's **Park Güell**

Casa Milà (La Pedrera)



Optional trips to Girona-Calella and Tarragona will be announced and organized.

Please feel free to contact the Professor with any questions:

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