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HON 120 Thursdays 1-1:50 pm. Spring Break in Spain

Requisites: Minimum GPA of 3.2. Completed application and deposits for Spring break trip are due November 14th, 2008.

Requirements: Students enrolled in HON 120 will meet Thursdays from 1 - 1:50 pm during the Spring Semester, 2009 and travel to Spain during Spring Break. Students will study the history and culture of the country concentrating on the Islamic occupation and its legacy in modern Spain. Students will present on specific topics related to the history, architecture and literature of Islamic Spain as well as their personal experiences during their visit to the country.

Required Materials:

- Student Workbook
- Spanish / English dictionary. (Larousse is highly recommended)
- Spanish: Lonely Planet Phrasebook by Marta López
- Camera
- Passport (original and photocopy)

Estimated Spring Break Trip Cost: \$1,500 which includes*:

- Ground transportation in private buses.
- Stay with host families for 4 days with 3 meals included daily.
- University tour and housing coordination.
- Guided Tours and visits to the cities of Ubeda, Granada, Cordoba & Sevilla (See itinerary below)
- Double or triple occupancy lodging in the cities of Granada, Cordoba & Sevilla with breakfast and dinner included. (Lunch on your own while on these cities)
- Health insurance \$ 10 (A dollar a day)
- Other fun activities such as flamenco and pottery classes.
 - *The cost does not include airfare, books, money for souvenirs, alcoholic drinks, lunch while on excursions or excursions separate from the group (evenings out, free time, etc.) or meals during the two traveling days from the USA to Spain and back.
- Airfare is estimated at \$1,000. Travel arrangements will be made by your professor through a travel agency. The travel agency to be used will be one from the list of approved agencies by UNCW. Professor and students will travel together, no exceptions will be made.
- Books cost is estimated at \$30.00

Grade Distribution:

Reading Assignments:	20%
Participation in class discussions & presentations on reading assignments	25%
Cultural Presentation	10%
Short Story	5 %
Play Presentation in pairs	10 %
Attendance to all class events & class	10 %
Proper behavior while overseas	10 %
Final written project:	10 %

Grading Scale:

93-100 A	80-82	B-	67-69	D+
90-92 A-	77-79	C+	63-66	D
87-89 B+	73-76	C	60-62	D-
83-86 B	70-72	C-	0-59	F

Assignments:

Students are expected to complete all assigned readings and all questions or assignments related to the readings before coming to class as well as to be fully prepared to discuss the readings in class.

All assignments must be turned in during class on the day they are due. Late assignments will have 10 points deducted for each working day that they are late. All requests for extensions must be discussed with professor in advance.

Disability Services and Medical History:

If you have a disability and need reasonable accommodations in this course, you should inform the professor of this fact in writing **within the first week of class**. If you have not done so already, you must register with the UNCW Office of Disability Services. UNCW Disability Services supplies information about disability law, documentation procedures and accommodations. This information can be found at http://www.uncw.edu/disability.

Due to the nature of this class and the fact that we will be traveling overseas, it is extremely important that you inform your professor of any medical condition and medications you take in order to guarantee proper medical treatment in case of an emergency. Please remember better safe than sorry!

Attendance:

Given the nature of the course, consistent attendance to class is crucial in order to guarantee success in the class. Each student is allowed **two free absences**. After missing two classes, two points will be deducted from the final grade for each additional absence. Students participating in university-sponsored events (athletics, conferences, etc.) will be excused as long as they provide documentation of their absence before the event (i.e. schedule of games presented first week of class). Attending the class orientation, the week prior to departure will be mandatory. If we do not have enough time to cover everything during class, I may request an additional meeting on an evening to finalize all details.

Academic Honor Code:

Students in this course are expected to abide by the Academic Honor Code. Please read the Code of Student Life (http://www.uncw.edu/stuaff/doso/code/index.html).

Safety on campus and proper behavior:

UNCW practices a zero-tolerance policy for violence and harassment of any kind. For emergencies contact UNCW CARE at 962-2273, Campus Police at 962-3184, or Wilmington Police at 911. For University or community resources visit http://uncw.edu/wrc/crisis.htm.

Improper or derogatory language will not be allowed at all. Practice kindness and patience especially as we travel outside the country. We need to show respect to other cultures.

Blackboard:

Some of the handouts and assignments from this class will be available online on Blackboard. To get to the Blackboard site for this course, follow these steps:

- 1. Login to Blackboard Vista (http://ncvista.blackboard.com).
- 2. Click on **UNC Wilmington** and then on **Log In**.
- 3. Login with your UNCW email username (without the @uncw.edu).
- 4. Your password is your SeaNet PIN (6 digits).

Participation:

Students are expected to participate daily in class. Participation means more than just attending class. The participation grade will take into account notions such as cooperation with classmates, respect for classmates and their views or opinions, and **active participation** in classroom discussions.

Important Deadlines:

- November 14, 2008: application, \$100 airfare deposit, \$200 travel deposit (Applied to total cost of program) *Financial aid is available for this program*, if you have not qualified before you may qualify based on your participation on this program. Let your instructor know if you are planning on using financial aid.
- January 9th, 2009: ½ of balance (approx. \$ 625)
- February 15th, 2009: remaining balance (approx. \$625)

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HON 120 TRIP ITINERARY

Day 1: Thursday, March 5, 2009

• Depart to Spain from either Raleigh or Wilmington, whichever is cheaper. Either way transportation to the airport is on your own.

Day 2: Friday, March 6, 2009

- Arrive in Madrid
- Take private bus to Ubeda (approximately 3.5 hours)
- Meet host families at SA.FA (College)
- Dinner with host family

Day 3: Saturday, March 7, 2009

- Breakfast with host family.
- Tour of Historical Ubeda in the afternoon.
- Class, coffee, tapas & ice cream with group at local restaurant.
- Dinner with host family.
- Free evening.

Day 4: Sunday, March 8, 2009

- Breakfast with host family.
- Visit to Paco Tito's pottery museum (Declared a World Heritage site by UNESCO)
- Dinner with host family.
- Free evening.

Day 5: Monday, March 9, 2009

- Tour of SA.FA (University) at 9:00 a.m.
- Class after tour
- Meet SAFA students. (Talk about their views and opinions on Islamic Spain)
- Lunch with host family
- Flamenco & Sevillana's class (Typical dances of Spain) in the afternoon (Bring comfortable shoes).
- Dinner with host family.
- Free evening.

Day 6: Tuesday, March 10, 2009

- Breakfast with host family.
- Leave Ubeda at 7:00 am & travel to Granada
- Check in to hotel
- Visit to Granada's Cathedral and Catholic Kings museum.
- Stroll the city
- Lunch on your own.
- Dinner at hotel's restaurant.
- Tour of the Albaicín, Mirador de San Nicolás and Flamenco show in the Sacromonte Caves in the evening.

Day 7: Wednesday, March 11, 2009

- Breakfast at Hotel's restaurant.
- Tour of The Alhambra in the morning.
- Lunch on your own.
- Leave Granada
- Travel to Córdoba.
- Check in to hotel.
- Dinner & class at hotel's restaurant.
- Free evening.

Day 8: Thursday, March 12, 2009

- Breakfast at hotel's restaurant.
- Tour of Córdoba to include a visit to the Mosque-Cathedral in the morning.
- Lunch on your own.
- Leave Córdoba
- Travel to Seville.
- Check into hotel.
- Visit to the Gold Tower.
- Take sunset boat tour of modern Seville in the evening.
- Visit the Real Maestranza (Spain largest bullfighting ring)
- Dinner at hotel's restaurant.
- Free evening.

Day 9: Friday, March 13,009

- Breakfast at hotel's restaurant.
- Tour of Seville's Cathedral and Jewish quarters.
- Leave to Madrid by train.
- Dinner at hotel's restaurant.
- Free evening.

Day 10: Saturday, March 14, 2009

- Breakfast at hotel's restaurant.
- Budget about \$30-40 to pay for transportation from hotel to airport.
- Departure to the USA.