

study abroad

Madrid Language and Liberal Arts Program (Level III)

Offered only in the Spring semester, Madrid Level III offers a specialized program for exceptionally well-qualified students who have a strong command of Spanish and a GPA of at least 3.3. Students take a BU seminar course, and then directly enroll in coursework at the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid (UAM). Upon successful completion of a semester, students earn 16 Boston University credits.

Academics

Coursework

Prior to the start of courses at UAM, students in Level III enroll in an advanced-level course on contemporary Spain. Program participants then choose three courses from a wide array of subjects offered at the university. One of the three courses may be replaced with an Internship.

The Universidad Autónoma de Madrid (UAM)

UAM is widely considered to be one of Spain's premier universities. Most of the university's facilities, including libraries, computer labs, and sports facilities, are situated in the 548-acre Cantoblanco Campus, 15 kilometers north of the center of Madrid, but easily reached by public transportation. Boston University maintains an office on the UAM campus.

The Autónoma is organized into seven schools (called facultades), which include Philosophy and Arts, Psychology, Law, Science, Business and Economics, Education, and Biology. In addition, it has administrative services, a sports center, the Institute of Educational Sciences, Music and Languages, and a primary school. All classes are conducted entirely in Spanish and usually meet for three hours per week. www.uam.es



The Internship Program

Students may participate in an internship in place of one of their university courses. The internship course comprises four major components:

- the internship itself
- a highly structured, midterm oral briefing
- two fieldwork interview assignments to gain understanding of the essential factors that contribute to finding work in Spain as well as to becoming part of the labor environment
- a final reflective and analytical written report, evaluating the student's personal, professional, and academic development during the internship

Program Administration

Housing

All Madrid students are placed in Spanish households, where they have their own room and take meals with their hosts.

Admissions

- Minimum 3.3 GPA (in major and overall)
- Completion of a minimum of sixth-semester college-level Spanish, or equivalent, with grades of B or better.
- The internship option is available for qualified applicants.

Program Dates

Spring Semester: mid-January–mid-June
Academic Year: early September–mid-June

Application Deadline

Spring Semester: September 15
Academic Year: March 15

Program Cost

2008/2009 Tuition and Fees: \$23,979 per semester
Cost includes tuition, housing, board, excursions, round-trip airfare from a designated US city, local transportation allowance, pre-approved or selected limited cultural reimbursements, and emergency/travel assistance coverage. Financial aid is available.