Southern California Foothills Consortium Barcelona Program Spring Term 2026



The AIFS program fee of \$9,425.00 includes the following:

- <u>Accommodation:</u> in twin-bedded rooms within a shared apartment, centrally located, maximum 40-minutes travel time
 to the AIFS Center, apartments include shared kitchen/living space, and laundry facilities on-site, bed linens and towels,
 weekly cleaning and Wi-Fi; all students will be housed in a centrally located hotel for the first night.
- Meals: self-catering in the student accommodations, a welcome dinner and farewell dinner.
- <u>Travel pass</u>: A Metro de Barcelona travelcard for unlimited travel on the metro, buses, trams and regional trains in the central zone of Barcelona for the duration of the program.
- <u>Orientation:</u> An orientation program in Barcelona consisting of a meeting with experienced AIFS staff, covering topics such as general acclimation to Barcelona, safety and security issues, cultural differences, travel, money and cultural activities, and a local area walking tour covering housing and classroom location and local amenities.
 - Academic support: Workshops with local staff about life in site and the differences the students will encounter.
- A Spanish Life and Culture Course, comprising of a weekly lecture with a guest speaker on a variety of topics such as
 Contemporary Spanish History, Spanish Politics, Education, Art, Architecture, and Customs and Traditions. The final
 syllabus will be confirmed in liaison with the Teacher of Record, appointed by the Southern California Foothills Consortium.
 <u>Cultural Activities and Excursions:</u>
 A half-day sightseeing tour of Barcelona by private bus with the services of a
 professional, English- speaking guide.
- An Articket, granting one entrance to each of the following museums in Barcelona: Centre de Cultura Contemporania de Barcelona (CCCB), Fundacio Antoni Tapies, Fundacio Joan Miro, Museu d'Art Contemporani de Barcelona (MACBA), the Museu Nacional d'Art de Catalunya (MNAC), and Museu Picasso.
- A full-day excursion to Tarragona, including round-trip transportation by private bus, a walking tour, entrance to the Roman Circus, Forum and Amphitheater, and the services of a professional, English-speaking guide.
- A full-day excursion to Girona and Figueres, including round-trip transportation by private bus, a walking tour in Girona with the services of a professional, English-speaking guide, and entrance to the Teatro Museo Dali in Figueres.
- A cultural calendar of free and subsidized events to help students make the most of their time in Barcelona. Events will
 include walking tours, cooking classes, guided museum visits, sporting events, and local seasonal activities.
 Also Included:
- 24-hour on-call service in Barcelona for the duration of the program.
- Access to the AIFS Student Center with free internet access and printing facilities.
- A team of experienced Student Services staff to ensure the smooth running of the program, providing information and advice to students, organizing excursions and supervising housing.
- Medical Insurance

Program fees do not include the following:

- Optional Transportation Package consisting of round-trip airfare between Los Angeles (LAX) and Barcelona (BCN), and
 round-trip transfers overseas between the airport and the accommodations on the specified program dates for \$775;
 and mandatory additional U.S. government and airline-imposed departure taxes, fees, and fuel surcharges of \$220.
- Southern California Foothills Consortium tuition or administrative fees
- Textbooks
- Homestay Option: Participants may choose to share a twin-bedded room in a homestay for an additional cost instead
 of the shared apartment. This option includes daily continental breakfast and five evening meals per week, a weekly
 load of laundry, and Wi-Fi for \$500
- <u>Single Room Options:</u> Optional single room supplement in student apartment for \$825 (offered on a first come first service basis and subject to availability, and single room occupancy rooms are not guaranteed).
- Optional single room supplement in homestay for \$625 (offered on a first come first service basis and subject to availability, and single room occupancy rooms are not guaranteed).
- Andalusia Excursion: An optional three-day, two-night weekend excursion to Andalusia, including round-trip AVE train
 travel, two night's hotel accommodation in multi-bedded rooms in Granada with daily continental breakfast, a guided
 walking tour in English of Granada and entrance to the Alhambra, a full-day excursion to Cordoba by round-trip private
 bus, including guided walking tour and entrance to the Mezquita, a group meal, the services of an AIFS Tour Manager
 throughout for \$825.00
- Passport and visa fees if applicable
- Additional field trips or excursions required by your instructors.

- Local or independent travel while in Barcelona
- Personal expenses such as laundry
- Optional medical insurance upgrade for \$65

2026 PROGRAM DATES

Thursday, February 26 AIFS flight departs Los Angeles for Spain. Friday, February 27 Arrive in Spain, and overnight in hotel.

Saturday, February 28 Orientation and workshops for all students and faculty. Transfer to accommodation.

Monday, March 2 Classes begin.

Saturday, May 23 Program ends. AIFS flight departs Spain for the U.S.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR AIFS FEES

Spring Term Enrollment deposit Balance of fees Total	<u>Fee</u> \$450.00 \$8,975.00 \$9,425.00	<u>Due Date</u> November 23, 2025 December 23, 2025	Optional Transportation Package Taxes/Fees (subject to change) Total Transportation Package	Fee \$775.00 \$220.00 \$995.00	<u>Due Date</u> December 23, 2025 December 23, 2025
			Homestay Supplement Single Room Supplement - Homestay Single Room supplement - Apartment Andalusia Excursion Deposit Andalusia Excursion Balance Total Andalusia Excursion	\$500.00 \$625.00 \$825.00 \$50.00 <u>\$775.00</u> \$825.00	December 23, 2025 December 23, 2025 December 23, 2025 November 23, 2025 December 23, 2025
			Medical Insurance Upgrade	\$65.00	December 23, 2025

All students must submit the \$450 deposit, and the \$50 deposit for the Andalusia weekend, if applicable, when completing the online enrollment form. Subsequent payments may be made by check or credit card. Checks should be made payable to "AIFS." American Express, MasterCard and Visa are accepted.

Financial Aid students are responsible for paying, by December 23, 2025, a \$850 program reservation deposit (toward overall balance), the airfare (\$775), taxes/fees (\$220 [subject to change]) if selected, payment for any optional program components, and any remaining balance that will not be covered by aid.

Please note: A \$35 returned check fee will be charged on all checks returned by the bank for insufficient funds.

AIFS TRANSPORTATION PACKAGE

Participants have the option of purchasing a round-trip ticket for the flight arranged through AIFS. Participants choosing this option should note the following restrictions: Tickets purchased from AIFS are exclusively on scheduled airlines (not charters). They are not endorsable to another carrier. Flights are not necessarily direct or non-stop, and frequent flyer miles are not applicable. The AIFS Transportation Package includes round-trip ground transportation between the airport in Italy and your accommodations on the regularly scheduled program dates. AIFS will book flights on the dates indicated on this application only.

Participants wishing to purchase the Transportation Package should select this option on the online enrollment form, or if you wish to add the flight after you complete the form you must notify AIFS in writing by Tuesday, November 18, 2025. Participants wishing to cancel the flight must notify AIFS in writing by Tuesday, December 23, 2025. Cancellation penalties will apply. Tickets are non-refundable after this date.

AIFS cannot guarantee that all passengers will be booked on the same flight. A minimum of 10 participants must take the flight for it to be offered.

AIFS Airfare Regulations: Return must be to original U.S. departure point. Tickets are subject to airline availability. No refunds are available for any unused portion of the ticket. Tickets cannot be rerouted, and stopovers are not permitted. Once abroad participants may be able to change their return date, but only if that date is available and in the same class of service in which the ticket was booked. Only the ticketing agent can provide this information. Participants are subject to agency and airline-imposed change fees and space availability. Group round-trip ground transportation to and from the airport in Spain is on the regularly scheduled program dates only.

Refund policy and important dates to remember should you need to cancel your participation:

Withdrawing on or before Wednesday, December 3, 2025	All fees paid less than a \$150 processing fee will be refunded.
Withdrawing after Wednesday, December 3, 2025, and on or before Tuesday, December 23, 2025	All fees paid less the \$450 deposit and any non-refundable deposits paid by the participant or by AIFS on the participant's behalf will be refunded.
Withdrawing after Tuesday, December 23, 2025	No refund and the total program fee is due.

Please note that after the final payment deadline the full program fee is due to AIFS even if you have not yet paid and do not participate or plan to participate in the program. Non-refundable financial commitments have been made to secure your spot. If a participant withdraws once the program has begun, there is no refund. This refund policy applies whether a participant pays AIFS Abroad directly for all, part, or no program fees.

Protecting your investment:

Participants may purchase additional trip cancellation or interruption insurance which allows them to protect their study abroad program. This policy includes options to cancel for any reason (CFAR) and interrupt for any reason (IFAR). Details of the Worldwide Trip Protector Plans with Travel Insured International (TII) is underwritten by the United States Fire Insurance Company, rated A (Excellent) by A.M. Information on these options is available on the Travel Insured International website – www.travelinsured.com - or by phone at 855-611-0918. The policy is time sensitive and must be purchased within 21 days after the deposit is paid.

General Cultural Resources:

At AIFS Abroad, we support all participants in your study/intern abroad journey. We invite everyone to engage with the cultures around you while at home and abroad. Everyone is complex, and the uniqueness of who we are is important when deciding on a program and location. Exploring who you are and learning about the uniqueness of others is an important part of this journey. Thus, we invite you to take the time to learn about the cultures you embody and the cultures of others on your program as well as the cultures that are a part of your host country.

We invite you to use the information here - https://www.aifsabroad.com/student-resources/ - before, during, and after you study abroad.

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