CALS International Exchange Program

ESADE School of Business [Barcelona, Spain]

Overview

Homepage
Semesters Available: Fall, Spring, or Academic Year
GPA Requirement: 3.0
Language of Instruction: English, Spanish

Student Handbook

Academic Calendar:
Fall: late August (orientation) Early September* (classes)-December
Spring: early January (orientation) mid-January* (classes)-end of May

Orientation:
Students participate in a mandatory, non-credit orientation before the beginning of the semester, which includes a brief introduction to Spain and the Catalonia region.

*Please note that some courses may start up to 2 weeks before the official term start date. Students are responsible for checking the start date of the courses they have registered for and arriving prior to the start of classes.

Through an agreement between ESADE School of Business and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences (CALS) at Cornell University, CALS undergraduate students in the Applied Economics & Management and Communication programs may apply to enroll directly in courses at ESADE for a semester or a year. Students study alongside Spanish and other international students.

This exchange program is open to undergraduate CALS students in AEM or COMM of sophomore or higher standing, and is awarded on first-come, first-serve basis.

About ESADE

- ESADE is ranked as one of the best business schools in the world
- Founded in 1958, ESADE became part of Ramon Llull University, a Jesuit university in Barcelona, in 1995.
- Among the first schools to be awarded the three most prestigious sector accreditations: AACSB, EQUIS and AMBA.
- Business courses are taught in English and Spanish

Classes

CALS Students will take undergraduate courses on the Sant Cugat Campus, which has about 1,500 students and is 13 miles outside of Barcelona, which is conveniently accessed by train and bus, if students live in the city of Barcelona.

Exchange students at ESADE study can choose from a wide range of business courses in the areas of Company Politics, Economics, Finance, Human Resources, Information Systems, Marketing, Operations and Social Sciences. A limited number of courses focusing on Spanish History and Culture are also offered each semester. Courses are taught in English or Spanish.

ESADE courses are measured in ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) credits. CALS students are required to take 30 ECTS credits per term.

Exams are mostly written, but are sometimes conducted orally, or even take home assignments. Projects may also be required.
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Social Life

ESADE actively encourages students to participate in non-academic student activities, to foster skills such as initiative, teamwork and social sensitivity. A multitude of student-organized cultural and volunteer activities help to make life at ESADE a unique experience.

San Cugat

San Cugat has approximately 79,000 inhabitants, predominantly young and well educated. There are numerous public parks and historic places to visit.

Barcelona

Barcelona, the capital of Catalonia and a beautiful, vibrant city, is only 13 miles away. Catalans think of their home as a country separate from Spain, having its own language, character and history. Old and new co-mingle here, making it a fascinating, exciting place to get to know.

Transportation

Barcelona has a clean, punctual and efficient transportation system that includes buses and trains.

Accommodation

Students arrange their own housing in Barcelona or Sant Cugat. Resources are available in the ESADE Student Handbook.

Estimated Costs

To convert Euro amounts U.S. dollars, refer to the most up-to-date currency information on the following web page:

http://www.xe.com/ucc/

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A two-week Spanish crash course is offered to all incoming exchange students at the beginning of both the fall and spring semesters. The course is given at all levels.

Applying for the Program

You will apply to the exchange after meeting with the CALS study abroad and exchange advisor in 140 Roberts Hall. All application materials will be returned to CALS.

Bursar Charges

Tuition: Current Cornell Tuition

Paid individually

Student Visa Fee

Housing

Dorm: 900-1,000 € per month plus utilities (water and electricity). Other residence halls range from 800-1,000 € per month with tax and utilities included. Food is not included in these prices.

Room in shared apartment: 450-650 € per month + utilities (*Note: Students must also pay an agency fee (about 150-200 €) for renting the apartment. A final cleaning fee of 30 € is also charged).

Host family: 750-1,000 € per month with food and utilities included; 450-650 € per month with no meals

Utility fees per month (approximate): 50 €

Food cost per month (approximate): 250 € average

Books and academic supplies per semester (approximate): 100 € for photocopies (no books)

Local transportation cost per month (approximate): 110 € per month

RT airfare from U.S.: $1,000USD estimate (depending on departure city)

You can find further detailed information on how to get to ESADE’s campus at http://www.esade.edu/campussantcugat/howtoget.html
Health Insurance: Current plan, if covered Internationally

Personal expenses per month (approximate, excluding sightseeing, travel and gifts): 300 €

**Program Costs**

Students are billed their regular CALS tuition, with no added administrative fees. Students purchase plane tickets and pay remaining costs such as housing, meals, student visa application fees, local travel, and personal expenses. Some partner institutions charge student activity fees and/or health insurance plans which students are also responsible for.

Financial aid travels with students going abroad. Students must complete with grades equivalent to a Cornell “C” or better. Financial aid for study abroad is need-based, consistent with university and government policies and covers all costs relevant to study abroad, including tuition, all mandatory program fees, housing, meals, books, personal expenses, and round-trip airfare. If you are currently receiving financial aid, your aid package will be adjusted based on your determined level of need and the projected costs for your study abroad program. University grant aid and loan awards may be either increased or decreased to meet study abroad need. The normal work-study component of aid packages will be converted to student loans.

**How to Apply**

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