

Study Abroad in Alicante, Spain Summer Business Program

Depart Saturday, June 28 - Arrive June 29 - Return July 25, 2025

1. Highlights

- Study in beautiful Alicante for four weeks on the Costa Blanca
- All courses and program activities are conducted in English
- Earn six credit hours
- Learn about Spanish culture and practices
- Visit international companies.
- Receive a graduation cord to commemorate your study abroad experience
- Scholarship Deadline: February 15, 2025
- Application Deadline: April 8, 2025
- Open to **ALL majors**

2. General Requirements for Program Participation

- You must be 18 or older
- You must be in good academic standing and have no current disciplinary sanctions. If you have ever received disciplinary action from the University, please consult with the Office of Student Accountability & Support to confirm you are eligible to participate in a study abroad program prior to submitting your application.
- You will need a **passport that is valid for at least six months after** your scheduled return date
- You will be asked to sign a liability release form and a medical release form (included in the International Center's orientation materials)
- You must meet minimum health insurance requirements set by the university
- You must attend all of the Trulaske College of Business's pre-departure class meetings
- You will be expected to fully complete the application and International Center safety and security orientation through MyStudyAbroad
- Participants must agree to the terms expressed in the MU student conduct manual and the MU "Conditions of Participation and Program Acceptance" form

3. Program Details

A. Program beginning and end

The program begins when you check in at the Villa Universitaria on June 29 and ends when you check out on or before noon on July 25, 2025.

B. Location

The courses will be conducted at the University of Alicante, located on the southeastern coast of Spain, four hours by train from Barcelona (northeast corner of Spain). Alicante lies on the Costa Blanca (*White Coast*) portion of the sandy beaches along Spain's east side on the Mediterranean Sea on a coastline over 200 kilometers long.

Alicante has a large boulevard lined with beautiful palm trees, many shopping streets and tapas cafes. The weather is excellent all year round and the scenic island of Tabarca is only a short trip by sea. Alicante has a population of about 310,000 inhabitants but has a small and intimate feeling. It contains many old buildings, beautiful architecture, and hosts numerous nice restaurants, shops and walking paths.

C. **Lodging and Meals**

During your program in Alicante, you will be a 5 to 7-minute walk across the street from campus in the Villa Universitaria. The Villa has a beautiful swimming pool, internet access in the rooms, and laundry facilities in the building. The Cafeteria is located adjacent to the building, providing easy access for meals. A dining hall plan will be provided to students to cover some meals. Also, one or two dinner events are included as part of the social and cultural activities in this program. The Metra allows for easy and flexible access from campus to the center of Alicante (old town and La Puerta de Alicante) and its beautiful beaches.

D. **Language and Culture**

The culture of Spain is rich with history and art. Learning about the culture, customs and lifestyles, as well as some elements of the language can allow for more appreciation and understanding of how the local people view and enjoy life (food, politics, history, culture, fashion, and travel). Some elementary language will be introduced throughout the pre-departure class sessions.

4. Course Offerings and Prerequisites

The University of Missouri (MU) and the University of Alicante (AU) will both offer two courses (6 credits) in International business. Students are required to attend all lectures, company, and cultural visits.

All Students, including Non-Business majors, should check with their academic advisor on how these credits can be applied to their graduation requirements. All hours are MU summer school credit hours.

MU Course Offerings (Select one of these courses)	Prerequisites
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fin 3000: Corporate Finance (Finance) ● Professor TBD ● Graded A-F (<i>Finance Department requirement</i>). 	There are prerequisites for this course. Please consult with your academic advisor.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● MKTG 3901: Current Topics in Marketing: International Marketing ● Professor TBD ● Graded S/U 	No prerequisites
University of Alicante Course Offerings (Select one of these courses)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● MGMT 3975: Current Issues in International Management: Leading Across Multinational Organizations ● Professor Pilar Barra ● Graded S/U 	No prerequisites
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● MKTG 3975: Current Issues in International Marketing: International Marketing, Marketing in the European Union and Tourism Marketing ● Professors María Dolores de Juan Vigaray and Felipe Ruiz Moreno ● Graded S/U 	No prerequisites

Note: *If insufficient students sign up, the college reserves the right to reduce the quantity of course offerings.*

Classes will be limited to approximately 20 MU students, with **first preference given to students who are seniors and majoring in the particular topic**. You should plan to **discuss these courses** and this study abroad program **with your advisor** to clarify exactly how these courses will satisfy the graduation requirements for your particular major or emphasis area.

Pre-departure Classes at MU

Prior to the start of the program, pre-departure class sessions will be held in Cornell Hall, beginning in April. The purpose of these class meetings will be to provide lectures on the principles of international business, review information regarding the companies that will be visited and orientation to the host country, travel administration, and safety abroad.

This is a **non-credit course** for which you will be required to **register before the first day of the pre-departure class**, in order to go on the program. You will not be charged any educational fees for this "course".

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Class # TBD

Class Schedule:

- **Tuesdays**
- **April 8 – May 6**
- **6:00 - 8:00pm**
- **Location TBD**

NOTE: It is a requirement of this program that you attend all of these class sessions to prepare for your program. You must attend all of the classes or you will not be allowed to participate in this program. Possible special circumstances may allow flexibility on this requirement but would have to be approved by the program director prior to missing the class. **If you are dropped from the program because of non-attendance – you will be subject to the penalties listed in section 9 of this document.**

5. Weekend Travel

Long weekends accommodate travel to other destinations during the 4-week program. This travel is at your expense and discretion and class attendance policies will remain in effect upon resumption the next week class sessions. Students are also free to remain in the dorms on weekends for the duration of the program.

6. Travel to program site from the U.S.

The program fee does not include round-trip airfare cost from the US to the program site. You must fly on your own or with friends by arranging your own flight itineraries and reservations. The Alicante airport (ALC) will be the final destination for flight planning for this program. During the spring class meetings, you will be assisted with information on program staff flight itineraries and how to book flights for traveling together. We will also explain the process for taking a taxi from the airport to the dormitory, where the student managers will be waiting to greet you and assist you with checking into the dormitory.

7. Estimated Budget

The following budget may be used for planning purposes.

Student Planning Budget	
Tuition (resident) (6 credit hours)	\$2,520
Tuition (nonresident) (6 credit hours)	\$3,198
Program Fee	\$4,795*
MU International Center Study Abroad Fee	\$245
Visa	\$8
Airfare (estimated)	\$2,000
Estimated cost for Missouri residents	\$9,568*
Estimated Cost for non-Missouri residents	\$10,246*

Note that all figures are estimates based on Summer 2024's cost of attendance and are subject to change.

Note: Tuition cost is set by the Board of Curators of the University of Missouri. **Non-resident students pay their usual additional non-resident fees.** Provided you are taking courses necessary for graduation – this simply shifts tuition costs from one term to another. The costs presented above in the student-planning budget are best estimates within five percent.

Expenses Included in Program Fee:

- Lodging for the trip duration
- Dining hall plan
- Culture and company visits and program ground transportation
- Sticker and graduation cord
- 24/7 Student Support while on program
- MU GeoBlue Health Insurance

Expenses NOT Included in Program Fee:

- Round trip transportation from the US to Alicante.
- Weekend travel and daily expenses are extra personal expenses by the student, which will depend upon the wants and desires of each student, such as travel destinations, going out with friends, personal items, souvenirs, gifts, etc.
- Passport, passport renewal or passport application fees.

8. Schedule of Payments

Students will be billed the program fee, summer tuition, courses fees, and the MU International Center Study Abroad fee in mid-May.

9. Withdrawal from Program

Students must contact the Student Services Coordinator directly by email documenting any withdrawals from the intended study abroad program. Withdrawal date will be determined to be the date shown on the email that is sent to the Student Services Coordinator in 213 Cornell Hall stating intent to withdraw from the program.

Amount	Withdrawal After
\$100 withdrawal fee	After Date of Application – no exceptions.
\$1,000 withdrawal fee	March 1
\$2,500 withdrawal fee	April 1
Total Program Fee withdrawal fee	May 1

****Depending on the date that you withdraw from the program, the study abroad department may or may not be able to get a refund from the vendor. Your refund will be relative to the costs that can be recovered. If you have not been billed the program fee at the time of your withdrawal – you will be billed for any cancellations fees charged to the program. Any withdrawal fees will be billed in May 2025.*

10. Visas and Travel Documents

- All students will need a valid US passport or appropriate passport/documentation from their country of citizenship valid for at least 6 months after your return date.
- U.S. citizens will need a visa to visit Spain. Students will apply for their visa during pre-departure class.
- **Non-US citizen students at Mizzou** will need to check the country's web page to determine if you need to apply for a tourist visa
- Copy of all program participant passports due to Study Abroad Office by **April 1st** to remain on the program. If you are concerned about timing – have it expedited.

11. APPLICATION Deadline: **April 8**

All applicants will need to interview for a spot on the program after they commit to the program in myStudyAbroad

12. Students Requesting Accommodations

If you are a student with a disability and anticipate requesting accommodations while studying abroad, we encourage you to notify the MU Office of Disability Services as early as possible (<http://disabilityservices.missouri.edu>). Early notification is essential to allow us time to ensure that appropriate arrangements and reasonable accommodations can be provided, both by the program and our Study Abroad partner organizations.

13. Student Financial Aid

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The courses qualify for financial aid. You may meet with a financial aid advisor in 11 Jesse Hall to review your financial aid options. A financial aid worksheet can be found in myStudyAbroad. It is highly recommended all students meet with their Financial Aid advisor to discuss paying for study abroad.

Scholarships

Students can apply for scholarships through ScholarshipUniverse (Missouri.scholarshipuniverse.com). The scholarship application is due **February 15, 2025**, and decisions will be made in late February.

Program Cancellation Policy for Student Financial Liability

I understand that in some special circumstances I may not receive full academic credit for the study abroad program for which I have applied. These circumstances include, but are not limited to:

- Cancellation of the program due to circumstances beyond the control of the University of Missouri
- A decision by the University, in its sole discretion, that cancellation of the program is appropriate based on health, safety, or similar circumstances
- My inability to participate in or complete the program due to circumstances beyond the control of the University of Missouri
- My dismissal from the program

I understand that in any of these circumstances, I will be refunded only those costs that can be recovered by the University of Missouri or the University's partner program. If I have not been billed the program fee at the time of my withdrawal, I understand that I will be billed for any cancellation fees charged to the program.

The itinerary of this program may be modified by the Trulaske College of Business and/or the University of Missouri due to health, safety, or similar concerns. The withdrawal fees listed above will apply to students if this occurs. Transportation change fees and expenses will be the responsibility of the student.

To obtain more information visit:

Trulaske Study Abroad Web Page:

TrulaskeAbroad.missouri.edu

Questions:

TrulaskeAbroad@umsystem.edu

Date	Day	Daily Schedule (subject to change) - all program events are mandatory
28-June	Sat	Depart for Spain
29-June	Sun	Students arrive in dormitory by 5:00pm 7:00 Program Orientation and Tour
30-June	Mon	9:00- 11:00 a.m. Missouri Module 10:30-11:30 am Campus Tour 11:30-1:30 pm Alicante Module
1-July	Tue	Guadalest and Altea Trip
2-July	Wed	Classes. 9:00 – 11:00am, 11:30 – 1:30 pm.
3-July	Thu	Classes. 9:00 – 11:00am, 11:30 – 1:30 pm.
4-July	Fri	Free Day
5-July	Sat	Free Day
6-July	Sun	Free Day
7-July	Mon	Classes. 9:00 – 11:00am, 11:30 – 1:30 pm.
8-July	Tue	Fuentes Del Algar
9-July	Wed	Classes. 9:00 – 11:00am, 11:30 – 1:30 pm.
10-July	Thu	Classes. 9:00 – 11:00am, 11:30 – 1:30 pm.
11-July	Fri	Free Day
12-July	Sat	Free Day
13-July	Sun	Free Day
14-July	Mon	Classes. 9:00 – 11:00am, 11:30 – 1:30 pm.
15-July	Tue	Company Visit
16-July	Wed	Classes. 9:00 – 11:00am, 11:30 – 1:30 pm.
17-July	Thu	Classes. 9:00 – 11:00am, 11:30 – 1:30 pm.
18-July	Fri	Free Day
19-July	Sat	Free Day
20-July	Sun	Free Day
21-July	Mon	Classes. 9:00 – 11:00am, 11:30 – 1:30 pm.
22-July	Tue	Classes. 9:00 – 11:00am, 11:30 – 1:30 pm.
23-July	Wed	Classes. 9:00 – 11:00am, 11:30 – 1:30 pm.
24-July	Thu	Classes. 9:00 – 11:00am, 11:30 – 1:30 pm Finals
25-July	Fri	Dormitory Checkout Program Ends