



VISA PROCESS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

Kingdom of Spain

The laws of Spain require that non-Spaniards seeking to study in the country must obtain a **Student Visa** prior to their arrival in Spain. This visa will be obtained through consulate of Spain, and students will receive further instructions during the months preceding their semester abroad.

By completing this form, I affirm my understanding of the following points:

- ☐ ****Students must make an appointment online with the consulate ASAP! Spots can fill months in advance.****
- ☐ I am aware I will be without my passport for 4 weeks while the consulate processes the visa.
- ☐ Before the start of my SIT Spain program, I am responsible for obtaining a Spanish **student visa**.
- ☐ I cannot participate in the program with just a tourist status in the country, or with any other category of visa.
- ☐ The individual Spanish consulates may change visa requirements and fees at any time. Before beginning the visa application process, I must verify the most current requirements and fees.
- ☐ Visas are issued at the sole discretion of the Spanish consulates in accordance with legislation and policies from the Spanish government. Most consulates will require an in-person appearance as part of the process.
- ☐ SIT is not affiliated with the central government of Spain and cannot waive students' visa requirements.
- ☐ Following their first entry into Spain with this visa, local laws require that students register with Spanish immigration authorities. The on-site SIT program staff will assist with that registration process at the start of the semester. Students planning to travel early to Spain to pursue personal travels must not enter Spanish territory more than 15 days before the program begins, as arriving too early could cause legal complications with the in-country registration.
- ☐ SIT will send me supporting documents for my visa application, which will be delivered during the two months before the new semester, allowing time for me to apply for and obtain my visa before the program start date. Though every effort will be made to deliver these documents as early as possible, SIT cannot make special arrangements to accommodate students' individual pre-program travel plans or other activities which might conflict with the visa application process.
- ☐ Students without a US passport may be subject to additional or different requirements for obtaining a visa or meeting other conditions of entry into the country or countries listed above. Many countries require individuals to apply for visas in person at the relevant embassy or consulate located in their country of citizenship. We strongly recommend that you contact the embassy of each country the program will be traveling to very early in the process to confirm visa and/or entry requirements applicable to your country of citizenship and determine next steps while allowing plenty of time to apply. If the foreign consulate(s) permits non-US passport holders to apply for the required visa from within the United States

Please return this form to:

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If you have any questions, please
contact your SIT Admissions Counselor:
1-888-272-7881

Student's Name (*print*): _____

Signature _____ **Date** _____

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Special notes on your individual process: (i.e. pre-program travel plans, non-US passport, etc.)

Consular Jurisdiction

Please note jurisdiction is determined by your home state or the state you attend college.

Consulate in Boston Jurisdiction: Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, Maine.

Consulate in Miami Jurisdiction: Florida, Georgia, South Carolina

Consulate in Chicago Jurisdiction: North Dakota, South Dakota, KS, NE, IA, MO, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio

Consulate in Washington, DC Jurisdiction: Maryland, DC, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina

Consulate in New York Jurisdiction ***You can only use this consulate if you attend college in these states:* Connecticut, Delaware, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania.

Consulate in Texas Jurisdiction: Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas, Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi

Consulate in Los Angeles Jurisdiction: Southern California (County of Imperial, Inyo, Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara y Ventura), Arizona, Colorado, Utah

Consulate in San Francisco Jurisdiction: Northern California, Alaska, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Washington or Wyoming.