



GEOL 205.3 – Northern Spain A Geologic Journey in Spain May 2024 (exact dates TBD)

Topic of the class:
The Earth System Through Time

Application deadline: February 1, 2024

Overview

This study-abroad experience will allow you to move from the classroom to the natural world. This course will help you to re-engage with nature and develop a deeper understanding of the processes that have modelled the Earth through time, helping you to gain a full appreciation of the uniqueness of our planet and our responsibilities to take care of it. Through experiential learning, you will explore the underlying external and internal dynamics of our planet as a substantial context to frame the evolutionary history of our planet. This journey through geologic time is aimed to increase awareness of the delicate balance between physical and biologic processes.

Course Description

A field course involving data collection, analysis, and interpretation of geologic features with the goal of allowing the students to gain a better appreciation of the internal and external dynamics of our planet and integrating the evolution of the biosphere as a fundamental component of our planet. Interactions between physical and biologic processes as responsible for shaping the face of the Earth will be highlighted, including topics such as the evolution of the atmosphere and major mass extinctions. Northern Spain is rich in cultural heritage, including numerous UNESCO archaeological sites (e.g. Altamira and Tito Bustillo Paleolithic caves) and historic monuments that will enrich and expand the student's learning experience. Several extra-geologic activities have been planned to add cultural value to this international trip.

Prerequisites:

GEOL 121/108 or GEOL 122/109. Each student must have completed a minimum of 30 credit units and have an overall average of at least 65%. https://catalogue.usask.ca/?subj_code=GEOL&cnum=405

Note:

This course can be physically demanding for some students. Students must be able and willing to walk relatively long distances and work in the field several hours. If you have a disability, **please contact AES as early as possible** to discuss your accommodation needs while abroad.



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How to Apply:

Application forms are available online from the Study Abroad Website:

<http://students.usask.ca/academics/goabroad/taught-abroad-programs.php>



For more information and to submit applications, contact:

LaVina Watts, Program Manager, ARTS 921, 306-966-4194.

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Cost to Student:

- **UofS tuition:** approx. **\$758.70** (individual registration and payment)
- **Program fee:** approx. **\$1600**, which includes:
 - includes accommodation; entrance fees to sites, some meals, on-site transportation (does NOT include tuition)
- **Other costs:** flights, some meals, personal expenses (gifts, souvenirs), textbooks or other course materials, personal on-site transportation, possible medical insurance; etc.

Financial Assistance:

All students accepted to participate in the program will receive the **\$1000 Global Engagement Scholarship** to help offset costs related to studying abroad (must be taking the course for credit to be eligible).

UofS students may be eligible for other travel funding. For further information please visit:

<http://artsandscience.usask.ca/undergraduate/scholarships.php>

<https://students.usask.ca/academics/goabroad/awards.php>

Arts and Science Study Abroad Awards and Scholarships Students Can Apply for if Eligible.

Name of Award	Value	Selection Criteria
Global Skill Opportunity Award This project is funded by the Government of Canada's Outbound Student Mobility Pilot Program.	\$1,000 - \$6,000	Value: depending on eligibility as well as locations. This new funding opportunity is intended to increase the number of underrepresented students (indigenous, low income, or with disabilities) to study abroad. Application details to come. Eligible students are: Canadian/PR, Undergraduate, and from the Arts and Science.
Gail Appel Study Abroad Award	\$1,000	Based on academic achievement and financial need
James Barney Smythe International Travel Scholarship	\$1,000	Based on academic achievement and financial need

Payment Schedule:

A \$500 non-refundable deposit will be due upon acceptance into the program (late March).

The remainder of the program fee is due in mid-April 2024 (details will be specified in the acceptance letter).

Program fee payments will be made Online through a link provided after acceptance to program.