

Granada, Spain

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Program: ISA Granada, Spain: Spanish Language and Culture, Summer 2018

Major: Spanish

Earning the Language Immersion Badge:



Earning a badge in language immersion was incredibly important in the enhancement of my personal, educational, and professional skills. Personally, this experience improved my confidence in Spanish speaking and listening. Before I studied abroad in Spain, I was very afraid to use my Spanish with

other Spanish speakers because the idea of making a mistake made me very anxious. In some situations while studying abroad, speaking Spanish was the only way that I could communicate with the locals. The experience of studying abroad allowed me to become comfortable speaking Spanish as well as making mistakes because I made myself be immersed and engaged at all times. Educationally, studying abroad allowed me to take classes for credit toward my Spanish major while being immersed in the culture that I have been learning about for my entire college career. Taking classes in this culture allowed me to gain perspective from Spanish professors that I have not received in the United States. Professionally, this experience enriched my Spanish vocabulary both in classes and in day-to-day life, which I plan to use in a future career in medicine. I am forever grateful for and indebted to this experience for all it has given me.

Transferable Skills:



Now that I have returned from my study abroad program in Granada, Spain, I have been using my Spanish skills in all aspects of my life. Although today is the first day of school, I have already been so much more confident in speaking in front of my Spanish classes than I was before this experience. I have also been

using this skill in my volunteer work with a program called Running Forward, through the Bennion center. I have written and communicated in Spanish to improve the percentage of the community that I am able to reach through volunteer work.



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