

SHORT-TERM STUDY ABROAD

Crime Scene and Crime-Solving

- **Campus/building.** Villafranca and Almagro
- **Type of course.** In-person
- **Duration.** 2 weeks



STUDIES
Short-Term
Study Abroad



LANGUAGE
English



DURATION
2 weeks



DATE
June-July



TYPE OF COURSE
In-person



HOURS
80 hours

In this course you will be able to identify criminal evidence from the crime scene, produce quality reports, understand basic psychiatric aspects related to violent behaviour, and discuss criminal justice and propose improvements in public policy.

UCJC has a major crime lab that has been renovated and equipped with cutting-edge materials, and its faculty is composed of highly trained professionals in the field.

This course is for anyone who wants to understand the most violent and serious criminal behaviour: homicide. Learn in the third largest city in Europe and take part in the multidisciplinary sciences of criminalistics, criminal law, and forensic psychiatry.

Objectives

- Offer the most up-to-date course introducing students to the most violent crime, methods and research in criminology.
- Offer a sound academic foundation to those interested in law enforcement, to know the methodology for solving cases, to get a glimpse of a current criminal justice system, research in criminology or related fields.
- Provide a deep knowledge and methodological skills to those who wish to work in a wide range of criminal justice agencies, the legal profession, criminalistics labs or other professional or voluntary organisation related to crime-solving or crime-response.

Learning outcomes

- Understand how homicidal conduct is regulated.
- Identify criminal evidence from the crime scene.
- Produce quality reports.
- Learn basic psychiatric aspects related to violent behaviour.
- Discuss criminal justice and propose improvements in public policy.

Methodologies

- **Seminars** will offer the theory basis for each module.
- Study of **real cases** of homicides in Spain will provide an overview of the practice of solving crimes.
- **Debriefing** method will help you manage all the information and present it in a structured way.
- **Practice in the crime lab** will allow you to acquire the necessary skills to obtain information from case evidence.
- **Student-Centred Discussions** will give you the skills to defend ideas, public speak, and employ critical thinking and other soft skills considered essential for good professional performance.

Overview

- 80-hour programme taught over two weeks.
- Complementary Spanish language classes taught by highly qualified native teachers.
- Active methodologies combining masterclasses, workshops and industry visits.
- Cultural activities and visits (museums, excursions to other cities, etc.).
- All class material costs and room + board (three meals a day) included in tuition.
- MediaLab workshops to document student progress via audiovisuals.
- A maximum of 14 students per class.
- Certificate awarded by University Camilo José Cela.

Accommodation

Students will live at UCJC's halls of residence located at the university's main campus in Villafranca, Madrid, Spain.

Accommodation included in price: Yes

Dates

June/July (please enquire if you would like other dates).

Example:

- Date of arrival: 19 July 2021; Date of first class: 20 July 2021.
- Date of last class: 31 July 2021; Date of departure: 1 August 2021.

Contents

Module I: Criminal law

As the part of the legal system that relates to punishing people who break the law (Cambridge Dictionary, 2020), in this module we will learn how violent behaviours are regulated for example, in the Spanish Criminal Code, and what is the judicial response to this type of crimes.

Module II: Basic criminalistics

Criminalistics is a discipline that applies knowledge, methods and techniques of investigation in the examination of significant material related to an alleged criminal act, in order to determine, to the aid of the organs of justice, the *iter criminis*, among others. In this module we will understand the criminalistics lab techniques and how they apply to a homicide case.

Module III: Forensic psychiatry

This module provides the knowledge necessary to understand mental disorders most relevant included in the current international classifications (DSM and CIE) to integrate it with the legal approach to them, so that it can establish a criminology analysis of the violent behaviour of people with mental disorders (considered in their biological, psychological and social dimensions).

Module VI: Crime scene

This module will show you how to connect the knowledge of theoretical criminology of its greater praxis and practical application, with the facts of a professional criminologist; that is, the scene of the crime and the techniques for converting evidence in judicial evidence in the various disciplines of criminology.

Module V: Criminal justice

Criminal justice is the system in a society by which people who are accused of crimes are judged in court (Cambridge Dictionary, 2020). Regarding this concept, in this module we will learn about criminal policy responses to violent behaviour and discuss limitations in order to identify improvements in this area.

About us

UCJC is one of the youngest and fastest-growing universities in Spain and Europe. Founded in 2000, UCJC is part of SEK Education Group, whose proven track record in teaching excellence stretches back over 125 years. As a young university, UCJC is forward-looking and uniquely placed to bridge the gap between traditional and modern times, through a liberal arts and applied sciences approach to higher education.

The university has four different schools: Communications and Humanities, Education, Health and Technology and Science, offering a range of Spanish and European official undergraduate and graduate programmes.

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