

Major: Accounting and Spanish **Minor:** English

Why did you choose Spain ? I always wanted to travel to some place in Europe. Once I got to Spain, I realized the history is so vast, but the technology is up-to-date. When I was about fourteen, I said I wanted to go to Spain, so this fulfill a dream of mine.

Host Family: I loved my *señora* so much. She was this little, itty-bitty lady who had three sons. She asked us to tell her if we didn't feel comfortable because she wanted us to feel at home. I miss her; she was so nice!



*“ Get out and mingle with the locals.
Seeing another side of the world
broadens your knowledge & horizons.”*

Spain as a Second Home: I would rather live long-term in Granada because it was so beautiful. The scenery and the mountains, and the views overall are beautiful. I loved the travelling on the weekends and seeing different cities.



Jamila with El Escorial in the background.

Academics: It was fun to be in a different school overseas and see their different methods. At the same time, they use Google and PowerPoint in Spain, too. One thing that stood out was when the President of the University rode on the bus with us to the Graduation Ceremony. It felt so homey.

Biggest Cultural Difference:

A huge difference between Americans and Spaniards is their openness. Here in America, people don't stare, but in Spain, people will look at you more openly. In America, we hide our feelings, but in Spain, the Spaniards tell you what they think.

Benefits of Study Abroad:

Study abroad changes your perspective on where you come from and life as you know it. My dad said, “She just grew up!” I find that I take some things more seriously, and that I don't take a lot of things for granted.

Future Impact:

I will definitely put studying in Spain on my resume. Studying abroad definitely helped my Spanish; I can understand people better, and I really gained a key to understanding different Spanish dialects.