# ALL ABOARD!

# VALENCIA: SPORTS LANGUAGE AND CULTURE 1,2

This program is designed to give student athletes and those interested in sport the opportunity to experience study abroad without sacrificing their training commitments. Participants will be able to engage in a strength and conditioning plan provided by their coach.



- Live fully immersed in Spain with a host family
- Held during each summer session.
- Each course is worth 3 credits and students will complete 6 credits per term.
- Students can either take HIEU 3712-Spanish Culture and Civilization (taught in English) and one Spanish course (SPAN 2010-Intermediate Spanish, SPAN 2020-Advanced Intermediate Spanish or another Spanish language course, or two Spanish courses.
- Includes visits to local sports facilities and events.
- Spanish Prerequisites: Completed at least 2 semesters of Beginning Spanish or the equivalent.
- Scholarship will be applied

### STUDENT-ATHLETE TESTIMONIES

"Living in Valencia was one of the best experiences of my life. I have been taking Spanish since kindergarten, but I was never really forced to use it until I went to Spain. I learned more Spanish in those six weeks than I had in 12 years of language classes, and I am very comfortable speaking the language to a native speaker now. The country itself was so beautiful and Valencia is easy to get around."

- Jade Baker, Track and Field Class of 2019

"My experience in Spain was absolutely incredible! It was by no means easy, but I learned so much about navigating on my own, Spanish language, and just being self-sufficient in an unknown city. I met so many new people and the teachers were extremely personable and caring. One teacher even had us over for dinner with his family! I would return in a heartbeat if I could."

- Emma Call, Track and Field, Class of 2020

## OTHER PROGRAMS AVAILABLE 3

Athletes can study in other cities all over the world with permission of their coach. Ask your academic advisor about scholarship opportunities and credit transfer. For more information on programs outside of Valencia, visit http://educationabroad.virginia.edu/.

### WANT TO GO?

#### Contact

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### **RESOURCES**

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