

Born and raised in San Diego, CA, I had never moved until I chose to attend school back East. Now a junior at Harvard University, I am studying Sociology and earning my citation in Spanish during my time in Spain. Inspired by my first big leap of faith as an exchange student in France during three weeks of my eighth grade spring, I am glad to be back in Europe and, this semester, to call Seville, Spain home. While most Harvard undergrads either go abroad during the summer or choose not to spend time away, I knew studying abroad during the school year was the best fit for me because of my love of travel, trying new things, and meeting new people.

Now, after spending a couple weeks at school to say goodbye to friends, I'm studying at the Center for Cross Cultural Studies in the center of Seville. I am incredible grateful to friends and family who both inspired me and supported me in my decision to spend a semester abroad. While I love the siestas, tapas, and discotecas of Seville, I look forward to traveling to Valencia, Granada, Morocco, Gibraltar, Portugal, Barcelona, Madrid, Rome, and Amsterdam this semester. There is so much to see and so little time—except I always make the time for a pastry or café con leche!