SU Honors Students Study Abroad in Spain

Two Shippensburg University Honors Program students are studying abroad in Spain in spring 2013. Both students received scholarships from the Shippensburg University Honors Program to support their study abroad experiences.

Shelby Coghill, a sophomore psychology major with minors in business, international studies, and Spanish from Brunswick, MD, is studying at the University of Salamanca. Lindy Gemmell, a junior human resources management major and Spanish minor from Hazelton, PA, is spending her semester abroad at the University of Málaga. Both students are enrolled in a variety of history, cultural studies, and business classes, taught in English and Spanish, at their universities.

“I always wanted to study in a Spanish-speaking country and have the opportunity to immerse myself in the language and culture,” said Gemmell. “The experience of traveling and living in another country is something you cannot obtain from a book. You learn an incredible amount about yourself and the world around you.”

Coghill remarked, “I would highly recommend that all students study abroad. I think it is important to step outside of your comfort zone to experience new places, people, and customs. Studying abroad allows you to see a place from the eyes of a native, instead of from the tourist perspective. Bottom line: it’s an amazing experience, and everyone should do it!”

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