Is the Student Exchange Program different than Study Abroad?
Yes! The Student Exchange Program (SEP) is an independent international experience. Unlike a traditional study abroad program where a student travels with a BYU professor and a group of BYU students, SEP is individual students immersing themselves with local and international students on a foreign campus for a semester independent of any BYU professor or other BYU students.

SEP is based on reciprocity and provides undergraduate business students with an opportunity to attend the University of Alcalá, a top business school in Alcalá de Henares, Spain at minimal cost. One of the main benefits of SEP is that students have the opportunity to study at a foreign institution for the cost of studying at BYU and classes are taught in English! Students only need to pay BYU tuition. Approved classes transfer directly to BYU so students will not lose credit or academic momentum by participating in SEP for a semester. For a full list of classes visit the Whitmore Global Management Center in 360 Tanner Building. Students need to be a Marriott School major or minor. The only classes that are guaranteed to transfer are business courses.

Alcalá de Henares, Spain
Alcalá de Henares is a Spanish city whose historical center is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It was founded by Cardinal Jiménez de Cisneros in the early 16th century, and was the world's first planned university city, and many urban cities were modeled after its design. Located in the Autonomous Community of Madrid, 35 km northeast of the city of Madrid, at an altitude of 588 m (1,929 ft) above sea level, it has a population of around 200,000, the second largest of the region after Madrid.

Universidad de Alcalá
The University of Alcalá (UAH) presently enrolls nearly 30,000 students, two-thirds of whom are reading for undergraduate degrees taught by a teaching staff of 1,800 professors, lecturers and researchers. The university is also proud of its modern and efficient administration, attended by approximately 800 service staff. UAH is a public institution founded by Cardinal Cisneros in 1499. One of Europe’s oldest
universities, its influence has been felt both near - it is one of the earliest examples of a planned university town - and far (its articles of constitution have served as a model for various Latin American universities). Its alumni include some of the most famous names of Spanish culture, such as Lope de Vega, Francisco de Quevedo and Tirso de Molina. Alcalá de Henares was also the birthplace of Cervantes, the creator of the greatest figure in Spanish literature, Don Quixote de la Mancha.

Program Details
• A broad spectrum of business classes are offered.
• Many courses feature learning experiences designed to actively involve students with the people, history, arts, attitudes, and traditions of Spain.
• Many courses will count for Marriott School courses and toward the Global Management Certificate.
• While studying in Spain, an important part of students’ educational experience will include visiting sites near Alcalá.
• Visits to cultural sites and other field trips such as museums, cathedrals, monuments, and theaters will enhance students’ study and increase appreciation and understanding of the Spanish culture.

Prerequisites and Course Requirements
• Courses are available in both English and Spanish.
• No Spanish language skills are required.
• Many courses are transferable to the Marriott School.
• Students must complete at least nine credit hours to maintain full-time student status.
• All courses must be pre-approved before the trip by the Marriott School’s Whitmore Global Management Center.
• For a tentative list of courses available at University of Alcalá, please visit the GMC (360 TNRB).

Where do Students Live?
• Students are responsible for making their own housing arrangements.
• No on-campus housing is available
• Students may live off campus in an apartment.
• Students may live with a host family.

Preparation for Student Exchange
All students are expected to register through ISP for a one credit, pre-departure preparation class that will be held once a week during the 2nd Block. Contact Laura Ricks (360 TNRB) for more information.

What Funding Sources are Available?
• Regular BYU tuition scholarships, Pell grants, and Federal Insured Student Loans may be applied to Student Exchange Programs.
• Students who submit the financial aid section of the International Study Programs (ISP) application and who have a current FAFSA form on file at the Financial Aid office, will be considered for a SEP scholarship awarded through the Kennedy Center.
• Private grants and scholarships outside of BYU may assist: kennedy.byu.edu/student/scholarships.php.

Application Process
• Complete the online application at kennedy.byu.edu/isp/online/app.
• Application deadline: 11 October 2013 (winter), 21 February 2014 (fall)
• Applicants should email ibcareer@byu.edu when application is finished to set up an interview.
• Students should be a business major or minor.
• ISP and the GMC reserve the right to cancel this program, revise its offerings, or make any adjustments to the preliminary cost estimates due to conditions beyond its control.

How Much Does This SEP Cost?
Students need to pay the $25 ISP application fee. After acceptance into the program, students will be expected to pay a $325 program fee. The fee includes HTH Worldwide health insurance which is mandatory for all students leaving campus. Students will be exempt from University of Alcalá tuition, but will still need to pay regular BYU tuition. BYU tuition payment plans and scholarships are still applicable.

Students will be responsible for their airfare to and from Spain, visa fees, ground transportation, accommodations, meals, and any other educational and personal expenses incurred during the program.

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