

Future Events:**November 3:**

Film Club - 20:00
"Margin Call"

November 3:

Last day to drop a
course without a
grade of "F"

November 8

--Disfruta Madrid--

Word Games 14:15-
15:00

-Intercambio 20:00 at
Diurno

November 9:

Madrid holiday-Ntra.
Sra. de la Almudena-
no classes

November 10 18:00
Café Erasmus CEU

November 11:

Disfruta Madrid club-
Cocido Madrileño

13:30

November 18-20:

Granada Trip

November 23:

Intercambio 20:00 at
Diurno

November 24:

Thanksgiving Dinner
21:30 at *Cornucopia*

November 29:

"Carmen" at Teatro
Español & Tapas Night

BARCELONA

Above (l-r): Students B. Baron, M. Corcoran, C. Cataldo, A. Warrick, L. Berger, N. Denver, S. Maclsaac and D. Behan on the patio of Casa Batlló in Barcelona. -- photos courtesy of Caitlin Cataldo

Imagine the calm, clear days that follow intense rains. Air free from excessive humidity and a balmy breeze drifting in from the sea. That was the atmosphere awaiting the group of SUMC students when they arrived in Barcelona in late October. From Gaudí's Sagrada Familia down to La Barceloneta beach and then back to the Gothic quarter and up to Parc Güell, students sensed the ancient and new city alike beckoning them to explore.



Above: View of the Casa Batlló rooftop

Barcelona is truly an international city. Rejuvenated since hosting the 1992 Olympic Games, the city offers a wide array of activities to visitors, from first-rate cuisine to Roman ruins, from fashion to Modernista architecture. With the Tibidabo hills to the west and the Mediterranean to the east, Barcelona is pleasantly placed between two natural wonders. It is no surprise that Gaudí was so intensely influenced by the sun, sea, flora and fauna. So much to see, and so little time! Luckily, a drink from the Ramblas fountain assured all a chance to return. ¡Adeu!



SUFFOLK MADRID

ALCALÁ DE HENARES

Professor Almudena Cros recently traveled to Alcalá de Henares with students from her Art History class to visit the Regional Archeological Museum. Roman ruins from the surrounding area abound both inside the museum as well as within the entire city. Students also saw the home of Cervantes, the University of Alcalá and the church of Santa María la Mayor. The city's annual medieval festival was an additional treat, lending just the right feel to the day.

Left, (l-r): Ruth Telus, Lauren D'Addeo, Prof. Cros, Jenna Kamikawa, Trisha Starkey and Cora Kraverath
-photo courtesy of Ruth Telus



MADRID BIKE TOUR



Some intrepid SUMC students took a bike tour of downtown Madrid in mid October, cycling by the Royal Palace, Plaza Mayor, El Parque del Retiro and back up La Gran Vía. An adrenaline rush kept everyone alert to the city's sites, such as the House of Cervantes and the City Hall.

Shown here in front of the Crystal Palace in El Retiro, (l-r): Ms. McAllister, Leia Depeche, Allegra Batista, Jenna Kamikawa, Ruth Manzi, Jennefy Polanco and Christian González.

STUDENT HAPPENINGS

- Over 20 students are involved in community service activities, ranging from food preparation at the local soup kitchen to elementary school children's after-school recreation and helping the elderly.
- Three language exchanges (*Intercambios*) have taken place since September at Diurno, a Madrid café run by a Suffolk alumni. Last week's exchange brought together 18 Spanish and 14 American (SUMC) students for an opportunity to practice their conversational skills in a relaxed environment, with no grade attached! There are still two more slated for November, so be sure to mark your calendars.
- Students held a food sale on November 2nd/3rd to raise funds for Intermon-Oxfam.