

Syracuse ABROAD

STUDENT VISA CHECKLIST: SPRING 2019 CONSULATE OF SPAIN IN CHICAGO

Use this checklist if your university or permanent address is located in:
IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, or WI



BEFORE YOU BEGIN

- Complete the Passport Information post-acceptance form within your [Syracuse Abroad application](#).
- Ensure that your passport is valid through December 2019. If not, you will need to [renew your passport](#) before you can submit your visa application.
- As visa requirements can change, please check the [Consulate's website](#) prior to submitting your complete application.
- If you have any questions, contact your counselor, Rick Cieri at fwcierii@syrr.edu or (315) 443-9425.

IMPORTANT NOTES

- You must apply for your student visa **IN PERSON** between October 15 and November 30. Applications will not be accepted more than 3 months in advance or less than 1 month + 10 days before departure.
- Applications will be accepted by **APPOINTMENT** only. Click here to schedule: <https://app.timetrade.com/tc/login.do?url=spainconsulchicago>. Schedule an appointment now as they fill up quickly. Your application does not need to be complete to make an appointment.
- A parent or guardian can apply on behalf of a student, however, written, notarized authorization is required and the student must then appear in person to pick up the passport/visa.
- Address of the Spanish Consulate in Chicago:
180 North Michigan Ave, Suite 1500
Chicago, IL 60601
Phone: (312) 782-4588
E-mail: cog.chicago@maec.es

DOCUMENTS TO SUBMIT

You must submit an original **AND** photocopy of each document

1. Official Passport

- Passport must be signed.
- Passports must have at least one blank page to affix the visa.
- Non-U.S. citizens must provide a copy of their I-20/IAP-66 or Alien Registration Card in addition to their national passport.
- Passport must be valid through December 2019 (January 2020 if attending UAM)

2. Application Form

Application form should be typed. Before being copied, the application form must be printed out and signed at the bottom of page 4. All dates should be written in Spanish format: Day, Month, Year.

- [Application Form](#) (please find [application instructions below](#))

3. Proof of Residence

One of the following: US Driver's License, State ID, **OR** Voter's Registration Card — whichever you choose must be from IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, or WI.

4. One Official Passport-size Photo

Passport photos must be recent and professionally taken. Passport photos can be taken at any Kinko's, Walgreens, CVS, etc. Glue to the original application. Before submitting your application, scan and email a copy of the photo to Rick at fwcierii@syr.edu (JPEG) by **November 1**.

5. Visa Fee

U.S. Postal Service money order payable to the **Consulate General of Spain** for \$160.00 (U.S. citizens) or \$65.00 (non-U.S. citizens).

- Do not submit cash, personal checks, or bank checks, the Consulate does not accept them. Money orders must be purchased at any U.S. Post Office.
- Please print your full name in the 'from' field and your permanent address below that (you can leave the Consulate's address blank).
- Do not endorse on the back.

6. Self-Addressed, Pre-Paid "USPS Express Mail" Envelope with Prepaid stamps

Once your visa has been processed, you can either pick it up in person or provide a pre-paid envelope, which the consulate will use to mail your passport back to you.

- Do not provide any other type of envelope, the Consulate will not accept it.
- Pre-paid envelope should be addressed to your **permanent address**.
- Tracking of mailed items is the responsibility of the applicant.
- If a parent or guardian applied for the visa on your behalf, you must appear in person to pick up your passport.

DOCUMENTS THAT SYRACUSE ABROAD NEEDS TO SEND TO YOU

Contact Rick at fwcierii@syr.edu at least two weeks before your visa appointment to obtain these three letters. Include the best address where he should send them. You cannot obtain your visa without these items.

7. **Proof of health insurance**
8. **Letter of acceptance (One in English and one in Spanish)**
9. **Proof of financial means (Part of your acceptance letter)**

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS TO SUBMIT FOR FULL-YEAR STUDENTS ONLY (FALL AND SPRING SEMESTERS)

10. Medical Certificate Plus One Photocopy

The following statement must be signed by the doctor on the doctor's or medical center's official letterhead. Cannot be older than three months.

The applicant (identified by student's first and last name in passport) has been examined and found free of any contagious diseases according to the International Health Regulation 2005.

11. Police Records Certificate

- For persons 18 years old or older from the country of origin or place of residence for the last five years.
- Must bear the "Apostille of the Hague Convention."
- In the U.S., F.B.I. or State Police background checks are valid. Please note that FBI clearances can take 8-12 weeks to process. Background check must be verified by fingerprints.
- Local police background checks will NOT be accepted.
- If the certificate is issued outside the U.S., it must be duly legalized by the corresponding Consulate of Spain (copy also required).
- Certificate cannot be older than three months.
- Apostille of the Hague Convention Information

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING YOUR VISA APPLICATION FORM

- Write neatly in block letters (CAPITAL LETTERS) in blue or black ink or type your answers
 - Due to the different date format used in Spain, write all dates as: DD MONTH YYYY
 - **Example: 10 JANUARY 2019**
 - If not applicable, leave blank
1. **Surname** = Fill in your last name as shown in your passport
 2. **Surname(s) at birth** = Previous last names you may have had, could apply if you are married, adopted, etc. Only if applicable.
 3. **First names** = First and middle names
 4. **Date of birth** = DD/MONTH/YYYY
 5. **Place of birth** = City and State where you were born
 6. **Country of birth** = Country where you were born
 7. **Current nationality/ies** = Your current country of citizenship (this is not your race). If you have more than one citizenship, list first the one corresponding to the passport that you are presenting for your application, and then add any other citizenship you may have.
 - a. **Nationality at birth** = Your citizenship when you were born, if applicable
 8. **Sex** = Check the applicable: Male/Female
 9. **Marital status** = Check current marital status
 10. **Leave blank**
 11. **Spanish National Identity Number** = Leave blank, unless applicable
 12. **Type of travel document** = Ordinary Passport
 13. **Number of travel document** = Passport Number
 14. **Date of Issue** = Date of passport issue - DD/MONTH/YYYY
 15. **Valid until** = DD/MONTH/YYYY (It may appear as “Expiration Date” in passport)
 - ❖ **Your passport MUST be valid until at least December 2019**
 16. **Issued by** = Place where your passport was issued (Usually distributed by US Department of State).
 17. **Applicant’s Home Address and Email Address** = Your permanent address and email address
 - a. **Telephone Number(s)** = Home AND cell phone number
 18. **Residence in a country other than the country of current nationality** = If you are a US citizen, but your permanent address is in another country, OR if you are a non-US citizen and your permanent address is in a country different from your national passport (ex: non-US citizen living in the US with a Greencard).
 19. **Current Occupation** = Student (even if you work while in school)
 20. **Main purpose of the journey** = Studies

21. Intended date of arrival in Spain = 10 JANUARY 2019
22. Number of Entries requested = More than two
23. Applicant's Address in Spain = Calle Miguel Angel 8, 28010 Madrid, Spain
24. Leave blank
25. Leave blank
26. Leave all boxes blank
27. Leave all boxes blank
28. Data of the educational establishment or research centre in case of applying for a student or Research visa
- a. Name of educational establishment = Instituto Internacional
 - b. Address of the educational establishment = Calle Miguel Angel 8, 28010 Madrid Spain
 - c. Telephone of the educational establishment = 34.91.319.9942
 - d. Email address of the educational establishment = *drkuehl@syr.edu*
 - e. Intended start date of studies = 10 JANUARY 2019
 - f. Intended date of end of studies = 14 MAY 2019
 - End date is different if attending UAM/IEU. Please list accordingly.
 - g. LEAVE ALL OTHER BOXES BLANK
29. Place and Date = Where (the city) and when (the date) you completed this form. The location MUST correspond to the Consulate's jurisdiction. Since you are applying through the Spanish Consulate in Chicago, the place must be within IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, or WI.
30. Signature (DO NOT FORGET!)