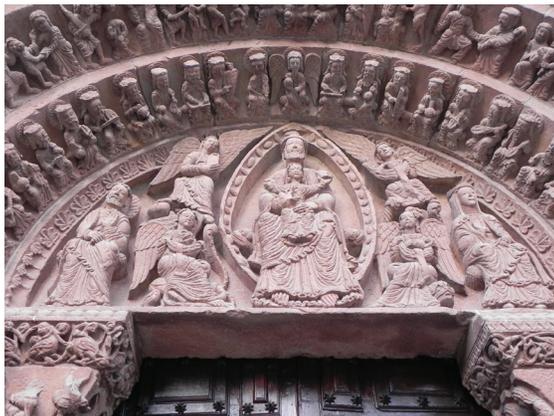




## Fast Facts

**Program dates: May 29 - July 2, 2016**

- Earn college credit while getting field experience
- Study Celtiberian, Roman, Islamic, and Medieval art.
- No prior experience or language skills required
- Apply through CMU Study Abroad (studyabroad.cmich.edu) after contacting Dr. Scott de Brestian (debre1sc@cmich.edu)
- **Application deadline: February 2**



## Application Information

You can apply by visiting the Office of Study Abroad website at:

**<http://studyabroad.cmich.edu>**

### Included in the program cost:

- Lodging in Madrid during arrival and departure, and in Nájera during the rest of the project (shared occupancy)
- Transportation within Spain as part of project activities
- Lunches and dinners on weekdays (breakfasts and weekend meals will be paid by the student)
- Weekend field trips
- Lectures by visiting scholars
- Students will sign up for a 3 credit hour course (ART 586). There are no prerequisites.



## The Program

The Najerilla Valley Research Project is an international, interdisciplinary project that aims to better understand changes in settlement and material culture in the Ebro valley from the later Iron Age through the Middle Ages.

Two areas of focus are the town of Nájera, which lies on the pilgrimage route to Santiago de Compostela, and the Iglesia de la Asunción, a medieval church in San Vicente del Valle. We seek to better understand the processes of settlement change and urbanization that occurred between the 1st and 14th centuries A.D.

Summer 2016 will be our second season. Our plans are to continue the work begun last summer in and around Nájera, documenting the standing medieval architecture in the city. A special focus will be the medieval walls of the Jewish quarter, which have not been systematically studied.

While working on the project, participants will learn the methods and processes of archaeological recordkeeping, including measurement, drawing, and photographic documentation. Opportunities will also exist to work with archaeological material including inscriptions and ceramics in local museums as part of the project.

In addition to the on-site training, students will learn about the art, archaeology and history of Spain through visits to Madrid, Burgos, Zaragoza, the important monastery of San Millán and the Celtiberian site of Numantia. During their spare time, students will be able to explore the town of Nájera as well as Logroño (pop. 150,000), the capital of the province of La Rioja.

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