Sophomore makes most of semester in Madrid

Jazmyn Barrow says Marietta College’s study abroad program is something every student should experience.

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Marietta College offers opportunities for students to study abroad throughout their college years. Sophomore Jazmyn Barrow of Berea, Ohio, studied this past fall at Syracuse University in Madrid, Spain. Her experience included regularly scheduled classes and weekend excursions to many cities within the country provided by the study abroad program. These destinations included Toledo, Valencia, Barcelona, Mayorca, and Menorca.

“I enjoyed the opportunity to experience a different culture and the traditions that studying abroad provided me,” Barrow said. “It has helped me to become more diverse and open to other’s views and opinions.”

An international leadership studies major and political science, history, and Spanish minor, Barrow took classes pertaining to this field such as anthropology and Spanish.

“The study abroad program has a direct impact on how and what students learn in future coursework. The personal experiences in a foreign culture provide a greater sense of connection to specific topics they are studying,” said Dr. Richard Danford, Coordinator of Study Abroad at Marietta. “These individuals also develop a greater degree of independence, which presents them with important life skills in dealing with difference and change.”

Barrow, the daughter of Jerome and Corene Barrow of Berea, is a graduate of Berea High School.

Marietta College encourages its students to study abroad to participate in a number of opportunities for educational study outside the college, which do not interrupt their affiliation with the College. Marietta has established formal relationships with several national and foreign institutions, which makes it easy for students to find a place to go. The College considers approved study abroad programs as an extension of its campus and transfers grades earned without question.