The travel study program is a course within Creative Change, Otis’ Integrated Learning department. We will partner with What is A?, a Barcelona–based design collective focused on arts education for children and youth, composed of artists, teachers and educators from various disciplines. We will engage in a project called Construccions D’Ombras, an installation exploring shade and shadows in collaboration with preschool-age youth and local designers. Following a Reggio-Emilia educational approach based on emerging curriculum, students will explore the topics with the children, initially in a series of studio sessions in Los Angeles, then on the ground in Spain. Students will test a range of proposals with the children and teachers and ultimately realize a final project on a site designated by our partner school. The work in Barcelona will be broken into three phases: exploration and research – in-depth on-site work with children, concept proposals – working to develop a range of ideas for development, and finally implementation – construction of a physical work or experience that will culminate in a related opening event. The students will have the opportunity to inform and give context to the work through discussions with local artists, designers and educators, visits to museums and galleries, and an exploration of the city and culture of Barcelona. All work will be documented through video, photography and text, and opportunities for publication will be explored.

INFORMATION SESSIONS
October 1 and October 29, 11:15 - 12:15
Otis Student Lounge

Who is Welcome to Apply
Juniors and Seniors from all art and design majors

Approximate Cost
$3,100
Financial Aid Available: otisaid@otis.edu

Included
• Airfare
• Land transport
• Accommodations
• Welcome and Farewell Dinners
• Bus/Walking Tours
• 2-week Public Transport Pass
• Experiential learning activities
• Health Insurance

Not Included
• Course Tuition
• Passport fee
• Meals
• Site Entrance Fees
• Personal Expenses