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Intensive General Spanish 1 to 8 Weeks

Course Ref: **EPS 1**

Entry Levels

CEF A1 to C1

Daily Class Sessions

08.30 – 12.30: 4 x 50 minutes
(3 hours 20 minutes)
Monday to Friday

12.40 – 14.30: 2 x 50 minutes
(1 hour 40 minutes)
Monday, Wednesday & Friday

Total course contact hours:
21 hours, 40 minutes (26 lessons) per week

Maximum class size 10 in General
classes and 6 in Dimelo

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This course is suitable for teachers who are non-native speakers of Spanish and

- intend to teach their subject(s) through the medium of Spanish **or**
- are planning to start teaching Spanish at primary or secondary level **or**
- want to develop their language skills to improve their ability to teach Spanish
- need to develop their language skills in order to study relevant literature and publications in Spanish or to communicate within international projects.

Objectives

The intention is to equip those working with Spanish with general language and communication skills valid for use in educational, social and vocational contexts.

This course involves small group teaching, allowing concentrated, thorough study of Spanish, and develops all aspects of the language - listening, speaking, reading and writing. The course will develop the participants' language skills to help increase their abilities to teach and communicate in Spanish efficiently and successfully. There is specific concentration on oral communication skills in reduced-size groups for 6 lessons per week.

Preparation

Pre-course:

- Level Test
- Linguistic questionnaire/needs analysis
- Revision: if you have studied Spanish before try to revise everything you studied before arrival so you can be placed in the highest possible level to achieve the maximum benefit from your stay

Practical Arrangements

Services provided during the course

- Course Tutor
- Malaca Instituto course books and supplementary materials
- Free access to school study centre/library
- Free wifi throughout the campus
- Participants' Evaluation Feedback
- Pastoral Care, 24 hr Emergency Number
- On-site accommodation or host families
- Restaurant, bar, swimming pool, dance studio, sun terraces – on-site
- Free of charge activities: 1 full-day excursion (2 week courses or longer), 2 flamenco and 1 salsa class per week, 1 film session and 1 cultural talk per week, welcome aperitif
- A full optional programme of other cultural/social activities – prices vary

Follow-up provided

End/post course

- Malaca Instituto test and certificate with reference to the CEFR
- A Certificate of Attendance
- Europass Mobility

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Course Areas

4 skills

The 4 skills of reading, writing, speaking and listening are all developed systematically through activities, games, role plays etc. Sometimes the approach is more traditional and direct, and sometimes it is more intuitive.

Grammar

We believe that a firm grasp of language structures and grammar is essential and that it also helps as a “signpost” to the student of their progress through their learning of the language.

Vocabulary

Our syllabus details the vocabulary items and areas which we teach at each level, integrated with the development of the 4 skills and grammatical knowledge.

Extra oral fluency

3 days per week you have 2 extra lessons in small groups of max. 6 per class. These are called DIMELO and focus on oral communication skills. This enables you to have a very high proportion of your course dedicated to this key skill.

Culture

Our teaching materials draw on aspects of Spanish life and culture from the very beginning. You will learn about Spain and the Spanish way of life as you progress in your knowledge of Spanish.

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Course Content and Strategies

All our students are tested on the first day and then placed in international classes at the appropriate level. All areas of the Spanish language are covered at each level. Most of the course books used in our teaching are published by Malaca Instituto and created and up-dated by our teachers. There are a maximum of 10 students per class.

We have developed an eclectic teaching philosophy combining many aspects of the communicative approach with structured learning of grammar and syntax. Aspects of Spanish culture are introduced as appropriate.

Homework is set each day to practise and consolidate the day’s work and to enable all the students to progress as effectively as possible.

The Class Tutor is responsible for each class and for monitoring each student’s progress.

Sample Programme

Course Duration 1 to 8 Weeks - course contact hours: 21 hours PER WEEK

This is a sample schedule which may change according to a student’s level or needs or other circumstances that may arise.

Two-Week Course – 52 x 50 minute lessons: 43 hours, 20 minutes.

WEEK 1	Day One	Day Two	Day Three	Day Four	Day Five
08.30 08.45 10.00 10.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome Testing and Evaluation Tour of Malaca Instituto Tour of Malaga 	08.30 to 12.30	Lessons will follow our syllabus for your level as elaborated in our textbooks. Structural themes are introduced and practiced each day through a combination of traditional and communicative-approach activities. There will also be systematic development of vocabulary, pronunciation and communicative fluency.		
12.30-14.30	First lessons in which the students will get to know each other and the teachers will check that the levels are correct		Dimelo Concentration on the development of oral fluency in small groups of maximum 6		Dimelo Concentration on the development of oral fluency in small groups of maximum 6
Homework is set every day to consolidate progress made and extra work can be done in the Study Centre					

Sat or Sun | CULTURAL VISIT: One Full Day Excursion included in Two-Week Course (optional for 1-wk course)

WEEK 2	Day One	Day Two	Day Three	Day Four	Day Five
08.30-12.30	Lessons will follow our syllabus for your level as elaborated in our textbooks. Structural themes are introduced and practiced each day through a combination of traditional and communicative-approach activities. There will also be systematic development of vocabulary, pronunciation and communicative fluency. A level test for those continuing or end of level exam for those finishing, is held in class on Friday.				
12.40-14.30	Dimelo Concentration on the development of oral fluency in small groups of maximum 6		Dimelo Concentration on the development of oral fluency in small groups of maximum 6		Dimelo Concentration on the development of oral fluency in small groups of maximum 6

This course can be extended for **up to 8 weeks** - 208 class hours: 173 hrs, 33 minutes

Outcomes

Due to the intensity of this course and the experience of our key teachers, motivated learners can make substantial progress that at times surprises even the student!