ERASMUS+ Intensive Spanish Language

For Teachers and Educational Staff using Spanish as a Foreign Language

Course Ref: EPSC 1 Intensive Spanish Language

Entry Level:

Minimum Level Spanish CEFR A1

Language of tuition:

Spanish

Daily Teaching Sessions 25 lessons per week

Morning: 4 x 50 minutes (3 hrs. 20)

Afternoon: 1 x 50 minutes

Total course contact hours:

1 week: 21 hours 2 weeks: 42 hours

Optional extra language workshops available

Maximum class size: 10

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This course is of significant benefit to:

Teachers who are non-native speakers of Spanish who are required or intend to teach Spanish or a subject through Spanish (CLIL) as well as those planning to start teaching Spanish.

Other school educational staff.

Those who need to develop their language skills to study relevant literature or publications in Spanish.

Staff needing to work on projects/exchange programmes/committees with an international dimension.

Those who need to liaise with Spanish-speaking colleagues, counterparts or parents.

Objectives

- To enhance individual competency, language skills and fluency in Spanish language in a multi-national environment
- To provide those working with Spanish with key language and communication skills for educational, social and vocational contexts
- To promote communication in Spanish between teachers, educational staff and students
- To develop participants' competences in communicating and sharing of knowledge/experiences in Spanish at conferences and training courses
- To improve staff ability to read and understand professional articles and journals published in Spanish
- To deepen awareness of Spanish history and culture
- To acquire language skills to enable participants to teach and communicate in Spanish more efficiently.

Preparation <u>Pre-course Preparative Modalities:</u>

- Needs Analysis
- Online resources for pre-course, arrival and cultural information
- Online language level assessment

Practical Arrangements Intra-Course Modalities offered by the Course Provider

- Course tutor
- Pedagogic learning materials included
- Setting of learning objectives
- Ongoing assessment and evaluation including feedback on progress
- Guidance and advice on homework exercises
- Accommodation service & pastoral care: 24hr weekend emergency contact
- Optional additional language workshops
- City orientation tour and welcome activity
- Access to school study and media centre

Follow up provided Post-Course Modalities

- A Certificate of Attendance and Achievement
- Europass Mobility
- End of course test and programme evaluation
- Post-course Facebook forum

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Reading Skills...

Effective reading is achieved by encouraging students to develop the necessary reading skills in a variety of texts.

Writing Skills...

Writing will be utilised to develop accuracy, cohesion, coherence and appropriacy. Writing activities may be set for homework.

Listening Skills...

A variety of listening activities and tasks will be practised to achieve accurate processing of information and differentiation of various accents .

Speaking Skills...

A range of activities to encourage communication is an integral part of our teaching to improve accuracy and fluency in authentic contexts.

Mediation Skills...

Using the international composition of the class to create the ability to facilitate intercultural communication and understanding

Linguistic Structure...

Grammatical structure for effective communication is presented by textual study to elicit meaning, use and form.

Vocabulary...

Active and passive vocabulary are key elements in learning a foreign language. Our lexical approach encourages the linking of words to meaning, avoiding problems of translation and interference.

Culture..

Our teaching materials present multiple aspects of Spanish life and culture. Learning Spain and the Spanish way of life avoids cultural misunderstanding and discrimination.

If your Erasmus+ National Agency has additional requirements not covered in our advertised course offers, please contact us and we would be pleased to design your course to meet these requirements.

Course Content and Strategies

The overall approach in the language development classes is communicative using a task-based learning approach. This covers all aspects of Spanish language skills - speaking, listening, reading, writing and mediation as well as pronunciation, vocabulary and grammar activities.

Class dynamics include individual, pair and group work, discussions, debates, roleplays, presentations, written tasks and listening exercises. A friendly, supportive atmosphere encourages participants to share their own ideas and experience while sharing with other international students.

Participants receive weekly focused feedback thanks to both self-evaluation and a personal pedagogic session with the teachers, reviewing objectives and setting homework if necessary. Students have regular tutorials with their teachers to discuss progress and ways to maximise their autonomous / informal learning. Areas for improvement are addressed through revision sessions, progress tests and additional language and cultural workshops.

Sample Programme

This is a sample of a schedule which can be adapted to suit the participants' needs. Two-Week Course - Total minimum number of course contact hours: 42 hours.

First day 08.00-09.00: welcome, oral testing, orientation and briefing before class begins								
WEEK 1	Day One	Day Two	Day Three	Day Four	Day Five			
09.15-10.55	Intensive Spanish Language							
11.20-13.00	Intensive Spanish							
	Language	Language	Language	Language	Language			
Lunch Break								
13:30-14:20	Intensive Spanish							
	Language	Language	Language	Language	Language			
afternoons	Optional	Optional	Optional workshops	Optional workshops	Optional workshops			
	workshops and activities	workshops and activities	and activities	and activities	and activities			

Sat	CULTURAL TRIP: One Full Day Cultural Visit included in Two-Week Course (optional for 1-wk course)
Sun	INFORMAL LEARNING: Personal research, cultural visits and activities, practising language skills

WEEK 2	Day One	Day Two	Day Three	Day Four	Day Five			
09.15-10.55	Intensive Spanish							
	Language	Language	Language	Language	Language			
11.20-13.00	Intensive Spanish							
	Language	Language	Language	Language	Language			
Lunch Break								
13:30-14:20	Intensive Spanish Language							
afternoons	Optional workshops and activities							

Outcomes

- Enhanced Spanish language skills: reading, writing, listening, speaking, mediation, fluency and accuracy
- Improved confidence in using a foreign language
- Teamwork, interpersonal competences
- Better understanding of students' needs and behaviour in class
- Exposure to different methodological and classroom practices
- Better understanding of the use of technology in the classroom
- Greater awareness and knowledge of Spanish culture and history
- Deeper sensitivity to cultural diversity
- Knowledge of other European systems of education
- Knowledge of Erasmus+ potential for professional development