



SPANISH & CREATIVE ARTS

BARCELONA, SPAIN

PROGRAMS START EVERY MONDAY



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This Spanish & Creative Arts program enables you to combine a Spanish course with a series of four 1.5 hour introductory workshops, each of which introduces students to a different set of artistic skills, as used by such world famous Spanish artists as Gaudi and Picasso. This unique program offers exciting hands-on art classes, meaningful cultural immersion, and an enriching language program.



CITY AND COUNTRY INFO

Barcelona is one of the most beautiful and exciting cities in the world. It has a huge number of attractions including a city centre which retains its medieval street plan; some stunning modernist architecture including several buildings by Gaudi - Spain's most famous architect; dozens of museums including one dedicated to Picasso, another to Miro and yet another to Barcelona's world famous football club. There are two major arts festivals during the year, one in the summer and one in the autumn, and there are concerts and shows of different kinds happening all the time. Barcelona is almost as lively at night as it is during the day and it has a unique, exciting atmosphere, which provides the visitor with a truly unforgettable experience.

The city enjoys an almost perfect climate making it an ideal place to be at any time of the year. It even has its own sandy beaches, which are less than 15 minutes away from the school. The city's geographical position also makes it the easiest Spanish city to reach from the rest of Europe and there are direct flights from most cities in the world to its prize-winning international airport.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM

After participating in this Spanish & Creative Arts Program in Barcelona, students will gain experience in foreign art programs, greatly improve foreign language abilities, gain personal growth and confidence both nationally and internationally, and combine travel, academics, and passion for art into one incredible life-changing experience.

What's Included

- **Tuition and Class Materials:** 1 week minimum-group 20 Spanish 45 minute lessons per week in group of 5- 12 students per class.
- **Art Classes:** Four 1.5 hour workshops
- **Lodging:** In a Student Residence or Homestay
- **Placement Testing**
- **1-2 Organized Activities Weekly***
* Entrance fees, transportation, etc. may be at additional cost.
- **Access to E-mail**
- **Access to Multimedia Learning Center**
- **Certificate of Completion**
- **Pre-Departure Information**
- **Planning Guide**
- **Medical, Accident and Sickness Coverage ****
** See policy for definitions and exclusions.
- **Medivac Coverage**
- **Other Travel Coverage:** repatriation, baggage, personal effects, accidental death and dismemberment , etc.
- **24 Hour Emergency Multilingual Hotline:** call collect from anywhere in the world

FULL PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

STUDY PROGRAM

The study portion of the program includes 20 hours per week of Group Spanish classes with a 1 week minimum. Maximum number of students per class is 5, with the average being 2 students. Groups are organized in a way that each will always consist of students possessing the same level of Spanish.

All of our teachers are native speakers with university educations and are very experienced teaching Spanish to foreigners. Most have learned a second language themselves and understand the student's perspective.

The method is based on the 4 language skills: listening, grammar, oral and written comprehension. No English will be used in class. Classes are 45 minutes in length.

Our program is divided into 6 levels of study. The first 4 are concentrated on grammar, vocabulary, practical situations, and conversation. The next 2 levels, advanced and superior, focus mainly on conversation and advanced reading and writing topics.

CREATIVE ARTS WORKSHOPS

Painting Ceramics workshop -This workshop consists of decorating a porcelain dragon figure (designed by Gaudi) which has previously been fired at 1200° C. The decorative mosaic technique often used by Gaudi is also explained in detail.

Glass-fusing workshop -Students will study the many marvelous possibilities of working with molten glass. Each participant will produce a plate or bowl and decorate it according to their own preferences.

Pottery workshop-Following a demonstration of the art of 'throwing' a pot on a wheel, each participant will be given the opportunity to produce a bowl, plate or jug of their own.

Sculpture workshop -This workshop focuses on how to make sculptures appear well balanced and less static than is often the case. Each participant will be then be given the opportunity to make a Picasso-style Spanish bull.

LODGING OPTIONS

HOMESTAY

All host families live in flats, as there are practically no individual houses in Barcelona. Apartment buildings are rarely more than 8 floors high. A typical flat will have 3 or 4 bedrooms, a bathroom, a kitchen, a dining room and living room. Some flats have terraces, almost all of them have balconies.

It is difficult to describe a typical family as there is such a variety; some are young couples, some have children still living at home, other - perhaps the majority - have grown-up children who no longer live at home, but who often appear for lunch on Sundays. Lunch is usually eaten quite late - around 2.30 p.m., and dinner is usually at about 9.00 p.m.

STUDENT RESIDENCE

During the summer months, accommodation is also available in one of two student residences, normally in double, although a limited number of single rooms are also available upon request. Students are provided with breakfast or 2 meals at additional cost. Student residences can be relatively noisy places to stay. For this reason the school recommends that more mature students (aged 30 and above) consider how important peace and quiet is to them before reserving a place in a residence which they will be sharing with a large number of younger people.

PRICE RANGE

Cost of 1 week of classes, 4 art workshops, and 1 week of housing ranges from:

\$875 → \$935**

**Prices range according to housing and board options.

ELIGIBILITY AND GUIDELINES

U.S. citizens traveling with regular passports for tourism or business do not need a visa for a stay of 90 days or less. Those planning a longer visit must obtain a visa in advance of arrival.

Minimum age of 18 unless accompanied by an adult.

ACTIVITIES

The cultural department at the school organizes a varied program of social activities for Spanish students. All costs of the social program are included in the course fees, except when an excursion involves the hire of a coach bus.

Activities regularly include:

- Welcome and farewell parties
- Concerts by local musicians
- Visits to discos
- Accompanied visits to places of interest in and around Barcelona
- Language Exchange evenings with our Spanish students of English, French and German.

HOW TO REGISTER

To register for the SPANISH & CREATIVE ARTS program in Barcelona, either follow the link below or call 1-888-678-6211.

<http://www.nrcsa.com/reg/on-line/regform.html>

When you register, \$140 USD is due to secure your place in the program.