

SPANISH & SALSA CORDOBA, ARGENTINA

PROGRAM STARTS EVERY MONDAY



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This Spanish & Salsa program enables you to combine a Spanish course with the discovery of the world of Salsa. This unique program offers exciting hands-on dance classes, meaningful cultural immersion, and an enriching language program.



CITY AND COUNTRY INFO

Cordoba is the colonial capital city of Argentina on the edge of the Sierra Chica mountain range with approximately one million inhabitants. It has the oldest and one of the most prestigious universities of the country, founded by the Jesuits in 1622, and the center of the city is rich in Spanish colonial architecture from the 16th century. Prior to the rise of Buenos Aires, Cordoba was Argentina's center of arts and learning, a place of scholars and priests, churches and universities. Though in terms of national importance the city has fallen behind the capital, it still retains an independent spirit and distinctive grace. Its name comes from the surrounding province, which embraces an unusually scenic section of the Andes, the Sierras de Cordoba.

Located in the geographical centre of Argentina, the areas surrounding Cordoba offer opportunities for traditional and adventure tourism as the hills and valleys are filled with springs, crystal clear rivers, artificial lakes, the huge salted lake of Mar Chiquita (heaven of ornithologists), and rupestrian (cave) paintings in Cerro Colorado.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM

After participating in this Spanish & Salsa program in Cordoba, students will gain experience in foreign dance programs, greatly improve foreign language abilities, gain personal growth and confidence both nationally and internationally, and combine travel, academics, and passion for dance 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.
- Salsa Classes: 8 Salsa Classes per week
- Lodging: In an Aparthotel 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.

SALSA PROGRAM

Dance is a fundamental part of Hispanic culture in general. With a large and well-equipped dance studio, our center in Cordoba is ideally placed to offer programs of Spanish combined with Salsa.

This program includes 8 Salsa lessons per week.

LODGING OPTIONS

HOMESTAY

We recommend that students take advantage of the homestay option to practice Spanish and be exposed to local culture. Middle class families are carefully selected and provide each student with a private room. Do not assume that you are too old for a homestay as many of our students are older than their host "parents". For many of our students, their homestay is one of the most rewarding experience.

The host families are carefully selected, Do not forget to specify on the registration form any dietary requirements, allergies, smoker / nonsmoker, etc., as well as any other preferences. The accommodations coordinator of each school, always at the students' disposal, can change your family accommodation if the need arises.

SHARED APARTMENT

One of the most popular housing option is the shared apartment, where you will live with other students. No meal plan is available with the shared apartments, however you have kitchen access to prepare your own meals. The rooms are furnished with bedding provided. The bathroom and kitchen are communal. Students should bring their own towels. Furthermore, cooperation with other students is necessary as the common areas are maintained only once per week. Most of the apartments are 10-20 minutes away by public transportation. Keys will be given to the student upon arrival on the Sunday afternoon before classes begin.

PRICE RANGE

Cost of 1 week of classes, 8 Salsa lessons, and 1 week of housing ranges from:

\$720 → **\$813****

**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.

<u>ACTIVITIES AND</u> EXCURSIONS

The Cordoba study center offers a wide range of activities for students to participate in. These activities are offered for a small fee:

- · Folk dance
- Argentine cooking classes
- Guided Tour around Historical Center (colonial patrimony, religious and local architecture)
- History Way: Royal Way to Alto Peru ("estancias", villages, gaucho posts, churches)
- Trek the path of the High Peaks of the Volcanoes and the Tunnels
- Quebrada de los Condoritos National Park.
- Climbing Cerro Champaqui, 2800 metres high

HOW TO REGISTER

To register for the SPANISH & SALSA PROGRAM in Cordoba, 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.