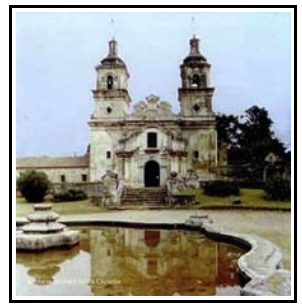




STUDY & INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

CORDOBA, ARGENTINA

PROGRAMS START EVERY MONDAY



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This Study & Internship program consists of a 4 week Standard Group Spanish Study program followed by an 8 week minimum Internship Work Experience placement in the community. All internship opportunities will work in partnership with local people in a variety of community-based projects. This unique program offers exciting hands-on work opportunities, meaningful cultural immersion, and an enriching language program.



CITY AND COUNTRY INFO

Córdoba 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, Córdoba 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 Córdoba.

Located in the geographical center of Argentina, the areas surrounding Córdoba 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. The Punilla Valley and Cuchi Corral have exceptional natural atmosphere for aerial activities, such as parachuting and ballooning, and on San Roque Lake windsurfing, yachting and all types of nautical sports draw people from all over. The Calamuchita Valley has lakes and clear rivers surrounded by mountains, an ideal area for swimming, mountain climbing and trekking, cycling, horseback riding, fishing and other types of adventure tourism. In Traslasierra Valley, across the Sierras Grandes, there is Pampa de Achala. On the peak resides the Quebrada de los Condoritos National Park, one of the only places in the world where you may see the highly endangered condor, the largest bird on earth, in its natural habitat.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM

After participating in this Study & Internship Program in Córdoba, students will gain unique cross-cultural professional experience, greatly improved foreign language abilities, personal and professional growth and confidence both nationally and internationally, and culturally sensitive yet sound communication skills.

What's Included

- **Tuition and Class Materials:** 4-week minimum. 20 hours per week of standard group Spanish. Maximum 8 students per class.
- **Internship Placement:** in local Business or Organization
- **Lodging:** In a Homestay or Shared Apartments
- **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

We have small classes starting most weeks of the year for all levels - and students tend to improve their language skills rapidly. Classes are taught using the immersion method, which is considered to be the most rapid form of language acquisition. Classes can be taken for varying number of hours per week, with 20 hours per week being the standard program, especially if you are going for more than 8 weeks. Local extracurricular activities and excursions are also an important part of the program, and conducted in the local language, as well.

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

After the 4 week study program, there is an 8 week minimum internship placement in a business or organization in Córdoba or the surrounding areas.

Students should indicate on their application form which sector or industry they are interested in working in (e.g. tourism, insurance, architecture, etc.). We will then do our best to find a position in a company working in each student's preferred field. Please note that the more specialized the request, the more difficult it is to find a suitable company. Similarly, if students are prepared to be flexible, finding a company willing to offer work experience will normally be relatively quick and straightforward.

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. Most families are within 10-20 minutes walking distance to school. In the event that the homestay is farther away, students can use public transportation. Laundry is not included in family accommodations.

SHARED APARTMENTS

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 provided bedding. 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.

Lodging information is sent 7 - 14 days prior to departure. Information of where to go and how to get there will be sent to students prior to departure. In addition, NRCSA will send emergency contact in case of any problem.

PRICE RANGE

Cost of minimum 4 weeks of classes, minimum 8 weeks of internship placement and orientation, and minimum of 12 weeks total of housing ranges between:

\$2,724 → \$3,887**

***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 undergraduate, graduate students and adults with an undergraduate degree or higher are eligible. Prior experience or classes in the field of the internship placement and a Spanish background (Spanish Intermediate or Advanced level) are required. Internship positions on a space available basis. These are unpaid positions and there is a limited number of positions every month.

ACTIVITIES

The cultural department at the school organizes a varied program of social activities for Spanish students.

Activities may include:

- Walks down pedestrian promenades
- Museums
- Adventure travel activities (WD tours, fishing in its dams, mountain biking, paragliding, hiking)
- Various cultural and recreational performances, including listening to cuarteto, the typical music style in Córdoba

HOW TO REGISTER

To register for the STUDY & INTERNSHIP PROGRAM in Córdoba, either follow the link below or call 1-888-678-6211.

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

Also, you will have to send your Curriculum Vitae/Resume in Spanish OR English, typewritten by email to study@nrca.com or fax at 414-271-8884.

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