



# STUDY & INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

## SANTIAGO, CHILE

### PROGRAMS START EVERY MONDAY



#### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

This Study & Internship program combines a minimum 4 week Standard Group Spanish Study program followed up with a minimum 8 week 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**

The capital of Chile, Santiago, is a bustling cosmopolitan city. At 1,800 feet above sea level and bordered by the Andes to the east, few world capitals have a more dramatic setting. First settled in 1541 by the Spanish, Santiago has grown into a prosperous metropolis with an interesting blend of Colonial and Modern architecture.

Located in the extreme southwest of South America, Chile is a country of great beauty and diversity. From the Atacama Desert in the north to the lush fertile valley of central Chile, the natural wonders of this country welcome visitors from the world over. Santiago is situated in the center of Chile and consequently an attractive place to begin your travels, as other parts of the country and the region are easily accessible from here. Santiago is a central starting point for many sports such as rafting, hiking, mountaineering (climbing) and skiing. The snowcapped Andes mountains attract skiers between June and September and Vina del Mar is crowded with beachgoers during the Chilean summers.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM**

After participating in this Study & Internship Program in Santiago, 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-group 20 Spanish 50 minute lessons per week in group of 5- 12 students per class.
- **Internship Placement:** in local Business or Organization
- **Lodging:** In a Shared Apartment or Homestay
- **Arrival Transfer**
- **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 4 week minimum prior to internship. 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 who are very experienced at 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 55 minutes in length. Classes are either from 9 until 1 or 2 until 6 with two short snack breaks.

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.

### **INTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

After the minimum 4 week study program, there is an 8 week minimum internship placement in a business or organization in one of the following fields:

- Marketing
- Tourism & Hotel Management
- Economy
- International business
- Language Teacher (English, French and German)
- News reporter

Internship placements are located 15-20 minutes from the NRCSA Center in Santiago.

## **LODGING OPTIONS**

### **HOMESTAY**

We recommend students take advantage of staying in a homestay to practice their 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 experiences.

The accommodations coordinator of each school, always at the students' disposal, can change your family accommodation if the need arises. Most families are within 20-25 minutes walking distance to school.

### **SHARED APARTMENT**

Our most popular housing option is the shared apartment, where you will live with other students. No meal plan is available with the shared apartments, though you have kitchen access to prepare your own meals. Furthermore, cooperation with other students is necessary as the common areas are maintained only once per week. The student apartment is the best option for everyone who wants to combine the Spanish experience with meeting new friends. All apartments are fully furnished and equipped.

## **PRICE RANGE**

Cost of minimum 4 weeks of classes, minimum of 8 weeks of internship placement, and minimum of 12 weeks of housing ranges from:

**\$3,418 → \$4,160\*\***

\*\*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 in the field of the internship placement and a Spanish background (Spanish Intermediate 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**

During the week Santiago offers many possibilities to go out, to meet new friends and enjoy live music, attend a theater play or go dancing. During the weekends you can do some outdoor activities or go on a trip outside the city.

We invite you to our weekly activities: city tours, salsa and merengue lessons, museum tours, visit vineyards, parks and bars are part of our program! On the weekend we go on trips to Valparaiso, Viña del Mar, La Serena or to other places to enjoy the beautiful landscapes.

## **HOW TO REGISTER**

To register for the STUDY & INTERNSHIP PROGRAM in Santiago, 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](mailto:study@nrca.com) or fax at 414-271-8884. When you register, \$140 USD is due to secure your place in the program.