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## NRCSA CENTER: INTERNATIONAL HOUSE – PALMA DE MALLORCA, SPAIN

### ABOUT THE SCHOOL AND THE CITY

IH Palma occupies one of the most prestigious buildings on the square. The school has its own street level entrance with the main reception area and from where students can take a lift or the stairs up. The school occupies all 4 floors of the building and has 20 air-conditioned classrooms, as well as a number of offices, a social area where students can relax and socialize and a area with computers linked to Internet

The island of Mallorca is the most popular tourist destination in Europe, largely because of the stunning variety of its scenery, its warm Mediterranean climate, the hospitality of the islanders, its rich cultural heritage and the richness and of its food and drink.

### ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The main objective of the Spanish courses is to improve the student's communicative skills. The emphasis of classroom activities is therefore the development of the student's ability to speak and understand spoken Spanish. For this reason, classes are conducted entirely in Spanish and students are given plenty of opportunity to practice the sort of language they are likely to need outside the classroom. While the atmosphere in the classroom is generally relaxed and informal, students should be prepared to work hard and participate fully.

### Intensive Group Course

The Group Course Program is located in the center of the city on the first floor of a modern apartment building. The school has seven classrooms and a common room with computers which are free to use for students.

The program includes 4 hours of Spanish lessons per day in groups of 6 to 12 students per class. Classes are usually held from 09.30 to 13.30 (although some classes may take place from 16.00 to 20.00). The course takes place between March 14 to September 12, and classes are offered for all language proficiency levels. The minimum age for the program is 16.

Students can choose to take lodging in host families (single room with 2 meals per day included) or in student apartments (single or shared rooms, no meals). Most accommodation is less than 20 minutes from the school on foot or by public transport.

The school also organizes a program of special activities for students. The program includes visits and excursions to places of interest in and around Palma, video films in Spanish, concerts by local musicians, and "intercambio" sessions where students can meet and converse with other students at the school learning English or German. Interested students are also taken out to experience the local nightlife in Palma.

### Senior Course

These two-week courses are designed for students over the age of 18 who prefer to study and socialise with people of their own age.

The courses consist of 3 hours a day of Spanish classes, which take place from 10.00 to 13.00, Monday to Friday. Classes are given in groups with a maximum of 12 students and all levels are available, including complete beginners.

The course also includes a special programme of activities and excursions specifically for this age group, featuring an evening visit to a show, a full-day excursion to the famous Drac Caves, a tour of the Modern Art Museum, as well as a meal in a typical Palma restaurant.

### ACCOMMODATIONS

The school can arrange accommodation to suit the needs of all students, either with Spanish families, in University Residences, in apartments or in hotels. In each case the accommodation is normally reserved from the Sunday before the beginning of a course until the Saturday morning after the course ends. Costs include 13 nights of lodging, however, extra nights can usually be arranged on request at an additional charge.

**Homestays** IH Palma can organise accommodation in host families (single rooms, with half board) or in student apartments in single rooms (or shared rooms for couples), on a self-catering basis (no meals). In each case the accommodation is normally reserved from the Sunday before the beginning of a course until the Saturday morning after the course ends. Extra nights can usually be arranged on request at an extra charge.

As Palma is a relatively small city, most accommodation is less than 20 minutes from the school on foot or by public transport.

### SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Centro de Idiomas 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 a coach bus.

### TO REGISTER:

Complete the NRCSA Preregistration Form or contact the National Registration Center for Study Abroad at P.O. Box 1393, Milwaukee, WI 53201 USA, or by calling (414) 278-0631; by Fax (414) 271-8884.

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## Programs & Activities: Palma de Mallorca, Spain

### Programs

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Due attention is also paid to grammar, vocabulary, reading and writing skills, and a wide variety of materials is used including published materials from many different sources as well as materials which have been written by the school's own teachers. All materials that the students need to work with are provided free of charge. This includes a Spanish Grammar book which is given to students at the beginning of their course. Students who attend private classes will have course materials designed specifically to meet their particular needs.

The teaching and the course program are carefully supervised by the Director of Studies who is also responsible for ensuring that students are placed in the appropriate level and that their progress is satisfactory. On the first day of the course, each student with any prior knowledge of Spanish is given both an oral and a written entry test so that their level of ability can be ascertained and they can be placed in the most appropriate group.

A wide range of levels are offered, from absolute beginners to very advanced. Students will normally need at least 40 hours tuition at any one level before advancing to the next course. The names given to each level are as follows: Beginners, Elementary, Intermediate 1, Intermediate 2, Intermediate 3, Advanced 1, Advanced 2, Advanced 3, Proficiency.

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### **Senior Course**

These two-week courses are designed for students over the age of 50 who prefer to study and socialise with people of their own age.

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### Programs

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Certificates & Exams

### Activities

Social Program

### Comments

*"I had used NRCSA during prior study and had been very satisfied. Again, I found the organization to be helpful and the selected school to be quite good."*

University Student, Seattle,  
WA

### Admissions & Academic Credit

Students age 16 years and older are welcomed regardless of educational background, occupation or nationality. No previous knowledge of Spanish is required except where otherwise indicated.

Students desiring credit for their study should contact their home school or request the NRCSA Credit Fact Sheet. Generally, U.S. schools consider 15 hours of study to be equal to 1 semester credit.

For more information about academic credit in Spanish speaking countries, [please click here](#).  
For general information on academic credit, [please click here](#).

### Certificates & Exams

At the end of their course all students will be given a certificate, which indicates the number of hours they have studied and the level of ability they have reached.

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# ALL NRCSA PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- ✓ Foreign language immersion classes
- ✓ Small interactive group and/or one-on-one instruction
- ✓ Culture program integrated into conversation classes, activities
- ✓ Meet-the-People interaction at school, homestays, & community events
- ✓ Orientation covering attractions, how to, health, safety, entertainment
- ✓ Academic assessments, placement-exit tests, Achievement Certificate
- ✓ Lodging (reduced fee if no lodging needed)
- ✓ Meals and/or cooking facilities at most centres
- ✓ Insurance: medical and accident - see below
- ✓ Emergency Hotline staffed 24 hours/day - see below
- ✓ Housing Coordinator familiar with area homestays, apartments, hotels
- ✓ Activity Coordinator facilitates transfers, cultural/social activities, tours
- ✓ Program Director experienced working with foreign participants
- ✓ Qualified, experienced, and certified educators
- ✓ Weekly proficiency goals and progress assessments
- ✓ Planning and Orientation materials
- ✓ International Ambiance, participants from around-the-world welcome
- ✓ Telecom assistance, web/e-mail access, usually on-site
- ✓ Local taxes for included services
- ✓ 24:7 Culture Immersion w/ native speakers: class, homestay, community
- ✓ **ALL NRCSA PROGRAMS INCLUDE the following INSURANCE\***

ACCIDENT INSURANCE up to \$10,000    SICKNESS INSURANCE up to \$10,000

EMERGENCY MEDICAL EVACUATION up to \$25,000

EMERGENCY REUNION up to \$5,000

REPATRIATION up to \$7,500

LIFE INSURANCE \$5,000

plus

24 HOUR EMERGENCY WORLDWIDE MULTI-LINGUAL TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE

## MANY ALSO OFFER

- ✓ **Tours:** cultural visits, day and weekend fieldtrips
- ✓ **Art:** classes/workshops, craft, dance, theater, fashion, music, photo
- ✓ **Humanities:** culture, area studies, hist, lit, gov't, educ, comm, plus...
- ✓ **Health:** golf, swimming, tennis, diving, skiing, riding, plus...
- ✓ **Special:** vocabulary classes tailored to your professional needs
- ✓ **Lodging:** homestay, apartment, dorm, hotel, special diet
- ✓ **Food:** home cooking, cooking classes, dine-around, wine tasting
- ✓ **Family:** services, daycare, child classes, community services
- ✓ **Teacher:** training, workshops, practicums, practice teaching, ECH
- ✓ **Teen:** camps and youth programs (including experiential)
- ✓ **University:** credit, undergraduate and graduate
- ✓ **Professional:** development credit in many fields, licensure, CEU
- ✓ **Volunteer:** medical, social service, ecology, teach plus...
- ✓ **Internships:** business, media, arts, eco, tourism, computer, plus...
- ✓ **Business:** classes, visits, networking, executive support services
- ✓ **Peer-to-Peer:** share interests, network by profession or hobby
- ✓ **Current Events & Professional Workshops, Holiday Courses**
- ✓ **Distance** educ liaison service, independent studies, research assist
- ✓ **Free** books and course materials. Return at end of studies
- ✓ **Free** airport transfers and internet access
- ✓ **Assessment** reports for attendance, progress, acculturation if needed
- ✓ **Medical:** professional training, law, social work, sciences etc.

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