



Escuela de español



## Spanish courses 2022

Experience  
the mediterranean  
lifestyle

Spanish courses in Valencia





# Welcome

Welcome to Españolé International House Valencia and to the Mediterranean lifestyle.

Come and experience the real Valencia and learn Spanish in the heart of the city. Discover our culture and enjoy the sunshine, our endless beaches and some of the most diverse cuisine Spain has to offer.

This brochure offers you a range of different options for both courses and accommodation. Get to know us better and try to imagine how much our students enjoy learning Spanish at Españolé.

At our school you'll find a complete programme designed to help you achieve your goal: to communicate effectively in Spanish.

We are keen to assist you with all aspects of your stay. The school has modern facilities that are perfectly located in the city centre and offers a wide range of courses given by exceptionally dedicated and experienced teachers. We take care of all accommodation arrangements and encourage our students to participate in the cultural activities we organise every week to give them the full immersive experience.

From the moment you arrive, to the day you return home, we will do our best to ensure you make the most of your stay.

**Come and experience #lavidaespanole with us!**

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Why  
choose  
us?

## An integrated learning experience



### A perfectly balanced programme

Our students become immersed in Spanish language and culture, learn how people use the language in real life, how they speak to each other in the street and how they socialise. Students develop skills that they can immediately use outside the classroom.



### International and friendly atmosphere

Our students come from an ever-expanding number of countries all with the aim of learning or improving their understanding of Spanish and our way of life. In the school you'll find an international and friendly atmosphere perfect to use your new language skills to make new friends.



### 360° Spanish

After class our social and cultural programme offers a wide range of activities to allow you to relax, speak Spanish, and discover the true meaning of living the Spanish way. Our immersive programme thrusts students into a fun and enjoyable environment of 360° Spanish through well designed classes and activities working symbiotically.



### Quality assurance


We are proud to be part of International House World Organization (Ih), which has over 60 years experience in improving quality in language teaching. We are also accredited by Instituto Cervantes, who ensures only the highest quality of organisations represent them in the teaching of Spanish, and IALC – International Association of Language Centres.





## The School

Located in a  
historical palace  
with over 2,000m<sup>2</sup>  
of space to enjoy  
while learning  
in a relaxed  
environment



Our beautiful school is located in the historical Palacio de los Fernández de Córdoba building deep in the heart of Valencia's Old Town. We have carefully renovated the stunning 153-year-old property to our own vision of a 21st century language school that compliments history with modernism.

The school is placed just where the 11th century Arab walls were standing and still a big part of them have remained inside the building penetrating through the school and getting inside the classrooms, creating an atmosphere of history and mystery.



# A modern school steeped in rich history

If studying in a stunning location rich in history isn't enough, students can also enjoy exclusive use of our student café during breaks, relax on your choice of two patios or catch some rays on our breath-taking roof garden complete with sun loungers, fruit trees and showers to cool off in.

Our school is also the perfect launch pad to learn how to cook Spanish cuisine, as our cookery activities take place in a purpose-built kitchen classroom and BBQ area within the school.



Central location



Historical building



2100 square metres



28 Well-equipped classrooms



Student Area



Patio



Terraces



Cafeteria



Sun loungers



BBQ



Kitchen



Wifi





## Valencia

Your journey  
to us started  
almost  
1,000 years  
ago...



A tangled web of narrow streets,  
alleys and plazas packed with terraces,  
El Carmen has become Valencia's most  
famous and fascinating neighbourhood.



## Deep in Valencia Old Town you'll discover El Carmen

Españolé is situated on one of the main streets that runs through the district of El Carmen. Calle Caballeros, which is a hotbed of activity during the day and transforms at sunset into one of the main streets for nightlife in Valencia.

The school is surrounded by history and culture and you don't have to look far to discover world famous sights such as Plaza de la Virgen which houses one of Valencia's most emblematic buildings – La Catedral de Santa Maria, where the original Holy Grail is said to live.

With a plethora of great restaurants, cool shops, dazzling street art, superb museums and an eclectic mix of people, El Carmen offers something new and exciting every day for tourists and locals alike.

Founded by the Romans in 138 BC, Valencia is one of the oldest cities in Spain and has been home to many civilizations that have left their footprints in the city. The history of the city of Valencia is typified in the story of three walls; the Roman, the Muslim and the Christian.

During the Muslim period (S VIII- S XIII) the city enjoyed a time of growth and splendour. In AD 1020 a wall of cutting-edge design and precision was built to protect the inhabitants and, on this wall, quite literally, our school sits. The Muslim-era wall had seven doors and the most westerly of which, Bab al-Hanax (the door of the snake), included a 14-metre-high tower that still stands within our school, cutting through classrooms and overlooking the building.

After control of the city was returned to Christians the Moorish Muslims were allowed to live outside of the walls next to the Bab al-Hanax entrance in an area that was called La Moreria and is now incorporated into the Old Town. The city remained within the walls until midway through the 13th century when the port began to help development of the areas between the Old Town and the beach.

The vibrant, multicultural Valencia we know today owes a lot to its roots in the Old Town and you will be adding to the history of so many who have walked our streets and enjoyed all Valencia has to offer. Over 1,000 years of history welcomes you.





## Accreditations and quality marks



### IALC

IALC is an international non-profit association that for close to 35 years has been accrediting independent language centres that teach the language of their country. As well as outstanding teaching standards and service, IALC language schools have individual character and a real connection with their local community.



### Bildungsurlaub

The German Bildungsurlaub is an accredited programme in which German employees can take 5 days of educational leave (paid vacation) per year. We are recognized in several federal states.



### International House

International House World Organisation (IHWO) has over 60 years' experience in improving quality in language teaching. International House has 159 independent schools in 52 countries all over the world that teach over 20 languages.

Each school is independently owned and managed but is affiliated to IHWO. The school becomes part of the IHWO network and agrees to adhere to its rigorous quality management systems.



### The Cervantes Institute

The Cervantes Institute, a government agency, is the largest organization in the world responsible for promoting the study and the teaching of Spanish language and culture. Being an accredited centre means complying with its quality standards, which guarantee a high quality in the teaching of Spanish and of the complementary services and activities offered.



### CSN

We are recognized by the National Agency for Higher Education in Sweden for the awarding of CSN grants to Swedish students taking a language course with us.



### ISO 14064

The ISO 14064 certification accredits us as a "Green school" committed to protecting the environment. We have introduced environmental management practices into all aspects of our business, oriented to reduce the consumption of paper and useless energy and resources.

We care about the CO<sub>2</sub> footprint and are aware of how we can help to reduce the greenhouse gas emissions. We offer innovative and quality services while conserving and enhancing resources for current and future generations.







Why  
choose  
us?

## Academic excellence

### A course for every need

Wide range of courses: General Spanish, Spanish for Business, DELE exam preparation, Work and study, Summer Camp for teenagers, and many other more specialised courses.

### Practical language learning

Our method combines a traditional grammar approach with a more modern communicative focus.

Great importance is placed on practising grammar in communicative contexts that reproduce situations you might come across everyday.

### Expert language tuition

All our teachers are highly qualified and experienced in teaching Spanish to speakers of other languages.

### Inspirational lessons

Communicative, motivational, interactive and enjoyable classes that will teach you how to use Spanish in real life situations.

### Years of experience

We have built an extensive knowledge base from years of teaching Spanish as a foreign language to know how to break through learning barriers and help our students surpass their goals.





## Spanish courses

The objective of our courses is to help you express yourself more fluently in Spanish

### Your Spanish class

All classes are given in Spanish. In general the number of students per class is between 6 and 10 and each lesson lasts for 50 minutes. Since the groups are small in number, the teacher is able to deal with the specific needs of each student on a more personal basis.

The classes are based on tasks and planned depending on the students' needs and styles of learning. You will use a textbook in class, together with supplemental material such as newspaper/press articles, adverts, audio-visual materials, etc. The textbooks we use have been developed by the International House academic team and cover all areas of the language.

The enrolment fee includes the first book and additional material. When you change from one level to another, you can buy a new book.

### A cultural approach

The programme also aims to integrate students into local culture. Visits to cultural centres, museums, other towns, etc are arranged to ensure that all students are fully immersed into Spanish life.

#### Españolé Facts & Stats

**3,400**

people studied with us last year

**99%**

would recommend us to a friend

**74**

different nationalities

**16-80**

We have a wide range of ages studying with us

### Our teachers

We have a dynamic team of teachers who love teaching Spanish. They're all university graduates and have many years of experience specialising in teaching foreign students. They use modern materials and methods to ensure that lessons are interesting and entertaining.

The continued on-going development and training of teachers is a key feature of International House schools and our teachers stay up-to-date by incorporating new techniques and materials into their lessons whenever appropriate.

In addition to teaching Spanish in class, they will offer general support during your stay at the school so that you find learning Spanish a pleasant and hassle free experience.





## Our students

Our students come from all over the world and have many different reasons for studying Spanish. Some of them are university students, others are professionals who need Spanish for work. Some learn just for fun, while others come to prepare for the official DELE exam.

In general our students fall between the ages of 18 and 60, but we also cater for students of other ages. This mix assures an interesting and international study atmosphere.

### Student's nationality

German 13%	Japanese 4%
Italian 12%	American 3%
Swiss 12%	Belgian 2%
British 11%	French 2%
Dutch 10%	Czech 1%
South Korean 8%	Swedish 1%
Russian 7%	Austrian 1%
Other* 6%	Irish 1%
Chinese 5%	Brazilian 1%



### Student's ages

16 - 19 / 20%
20 - 24 / 30%
25 - 29 / 17%
30 - 34 / 11%
35 - 39 / 7%
40 - 49 / 5%
More than 50 / 8%



## Levels

The courses are divided up into 6 different levels: from beginner to advanced based on the Cervantes Institute programme under the directives of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. No matter what your level of Spanish, we will always find a class that is perfect for you.

### A1 - Beginners

Students can deal with simple straightforward exchange to keep a very basic conversation going.

### A2 - Pre-Intermediate

Students can understand and express information about the present, past and future. They can deal with most situations involved in travelling around a Spanish speaking country, including communicating most personal and everyday information.

### B1 - Intermediate

Students can comfortably interact with native speakers. They can participate in discussions and express their viewpoints in familiar contexts. They can describe experiences in their past as well as explain and give reasons for their plans, desires and ambitions for the future.

### B2 - Upper-intermediate

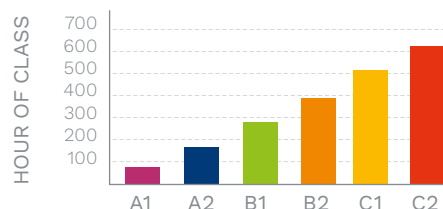
Students can express their ideas on general topics clearly in both the spoken and written form. They are familiar with and can competently use more complex structures and have a good level of fluency and broader vocabulary including some idiomatic expressions.

### C1 - Advanced

Students are capable of understanding most lectures, discussions and debates. They are able to develop a well-structured argument with supporting evidence and explanations in oral and written form. Students have broadened their general language capability and vocabulary to feel comfortable operating effectively in social, academic and professional spheres.

### C2 - Superior

Students have a high level of written and spoken Spanish. They can participate easily in discussions and write well-structured compositions even in complex, unfamiliar situations. They can give clear presentations on complex issues, integrating sub themes and developing particular points.













# Intensive Spanish courses

Our students can choose the number of lessons per week and can design their own Spanish programme depending on their interests, by adding elective or private lessons to their General Spanish programme.

## General Spanish + Spanish plus electives

Our General Spanish courses concentrate on the fundamental language learning skills: reading, writing, listening and speaking. All lessons are taught in Spanish. Our method has a communicative focus where grammar is practiced in contexts that reproduce situations of everyday life. The lessons are based on tasks and planned depending on the students' needs and different styles of learning.



All the courses include a complete programme of activities so that our students can make friends and get acquainted with the Spanish life and the city of Valencia.

 <b>Levels:</b> From absolute beginners to advanced (A1 to C2)*1	 <b>Length of the course:</b> From 1 to 48 weeks
 <b>Nº of lessons:</b> 20, 25 or 30	 <b>Nº of students per class:</b> Maximum 10*2, average 6
 <b>Timetable:</b> Mornings or afternoons	 <b>Each lesson lasts:</b> 50 minutes

\*1 Spanish for business from B1  
\*2 In special cases due to changes of level once the course has started the number of students can be 11 for a short period



### Spanish life and culture

Improve your knowledge of different aspects of the Spanish culture, related to art, literature, history... and also understand the way people think and live in Spain and in the Hispanic world.

-  **Start of course**  
**Every Monday (except for beginners)**  
Please check starting dates in the "Dates and fees" list
-  **Levels**  
From absolute beginners to advanced (A1 to C2)



### Grammar skills

Delve deeper into Spanish grammar. A course focused on improving your writing and grammar skills, learn the basics of the Spanish language with a structured and practical programme with intensive exercise practice.

-  **Start of course**  
**Every Monday (except for beginners)**  
Please check starting dates in the "Dates and fees" list
-  **Levels**  
From absolute beginners to advanced (A1 to C2)



### Pronunciation and speaking

Perfect your pronunciation with this elective. Through communication activities you'll listen and practice how the language sounds. Learning to pronounce Spanish correctly will make your speaking clearer.

-  **Start of course**  
**Every Monday (except for beginners)**  
Please check starting dates in the "Dates and fees" list
-  **Levels**  
From absolute beginners to advanced (A1 to C2)

### Spanish for business

A course designed for students and professionals who are interested in the world of business in Spanish-speaking countries. You'll study specific language and linguistic structures used in business.

-  **Start of course**  
Please check starting dates in the "Dates and fees" list
-  **Levels**  
From intermediate to advanced (B1 to C2)











Combine your Spanish elective or private lessons with your General Spanish course

## + Spanish leisure electives






### Sailing

As host of the America's Cup in 2007, Valencia is the perfect place for sailing. Get out into the Mediterranean on our own boat to learn how to sail.

-  **Start of course**  
Spanish: check starting dates of selected course  
Sailing: every Monday in summer  
Please check starting dates in the "Dates and fees" list
-  **Nº of lessons per week**  
6 sailing lessons
-  **Length of the course**  
Spanish: from 1 to 48 weeks  
Sailing: from 1 to 4 weeks
-  **Levels**  
From a very basic to advanced knowledge of sailing
-  **Nº of students per class**  
Spanish: maximum of 10, average 6  
Sailing: Mini group maximum of 5
-  **Timetable**  
Spanish: Please check the timetable for the selected course  
Sailing: Two days a week 10:00-13:00 or 15:30-18:30  
(Days depending on weather and subject to change)

### Spanish cooking

Gastronomy is an important part of the Spanish culture. Learn how to make paella, tapas and much more with our cooking classes.

-  **Start of course**  
Please check starting dates in the "Dates and fees" list
-  **Nº of lessons per week**  
6 cooking lessons
-  **Length of the course**  
Spanish: from 1 to 48 weeks  
Cooking: from 1 to 4 weeks
-  **Nº of students per class**  
Maximum 5 students
-  **Timetable**  
Spanish: Please check the timetable for the selected course  
Cooking: Two days a week 10:00-13:00 or 15:30-18:30

## Design your own course



**General Spanish**  
20 lessons



**Spanish plus electives** ↓



**Spanish life and culture**  
5 lessons/week



**Grammar skills**  
5 lessons/week



**Pronunciation and speaking**  
5 lessons/week



**Spanish for business**  
5 lessons/week



**Spanish leisure electives** ↓



**Sailing**  
6 lessons/week



**Spanish cooking**  
6 lessons/week



#### **Intensive 20**

20 general Spanish lessons

#### **Intensive 25**

20 general Spanish lessons + 1 Spanish plus elective

#### **Intensive 30**

20 general Spanish lessons + 2 Spanish plus electives

#### **Intensive plus**

20 general Spanish lessons + 5 private lessons

#### **Super intensive**

20 general Spanish lessons+  
1 Spanish plus elective + 5 private lessons



# Types of Intensive Spanish courses



## Intensive 20

20 general Spanish lessons

- N° of lessons per week  
**20 General Spanish**
- Timetable  
**Mornings or afternoons 9:10-13:00 or 14:10-18:00**  
(Timetables are subject to change)

## Intensive 25

20 general Spanish + 1 Spanish plus elective

- N° of lessons per week  
**20 General Spanish + 5 Spanish plus elective lessons**
- Timetable / Mornings or afternoons  
**Morning:** Spanish plus elective 08:00-09:05 (Tue-Fri)  
or 13:10 - 14:00 (Mon-Fri)  
+ General Spanish 09:10 -13:00  
**Afternoon:** General Spanish 14:10 -18:00  
+ Spanish plus elective 13:10- 14:00  
or 18:10 - 19:00 (Mon-Fri)  
(Timetables are subject to change)

## Intensive 30

This course is a combination of the Intensive 20 plus 2 Spanish plus electives. There are 6 lessons per day.

- N° of lessons per week  
**20 General Spanish + 10 Spanish plus elective lessons**
- Timetable / Mornings  
**Morning:** 1 Spanish plus elective 08:00-09:05 (Tue-Fri)  
+ General Spanish 09:10 -13:00  
+ 1 Spanish plus elective 13:10-14:00  
(Timetables are subject to change)

## Intensive Plus

This course is a combination of the Intensive 20 plus private lessons. There are 5 lessons per day, 4 in a group and 1 private. The private ones can be adapted to the needs of each student, so they can study areas in which they are most interested.

- N° of lessons per week  
**20 General Spanish + 5 private lessons**
- Timetable  
**Mornings or afternoons 9:10-13:00 or 14:10-18:00**  
**Private lessons: to be agreed**  
(Timetables are subject to change)

## Super Intensive

20 general Spanish + 1 Spanish plus elective + 5 private lessons.

- N° of lessons per week  
**20 General Spanish + 5 Spanish plus elective lessons + 5 private lessons**
- Timetable / Mornings or afternoons  
**Morning:** Spanish plus elective 08:00-09:05 (Tue-Fri)  
or 13:10-14:00 (Mon-Fri)  
+ General Spanish 09:10 -13:00  
**Afternoon:** General Spanish 14:10 -18:00  
+ Spanish plus elective 13:10- 14:00 (Mon-Fri)  
or 18:10- 19:00 (Mon-Fri)  
**Private lessons: to be agreed**  
(Timetables are subject to change)



<b>Each lesson lasts:</b> 50 minutes	<b>Length of the course:</b> From 1 to 48 weeks	<b>Levels:</b> From absolute beginners to advanced (A1 to C2)*1	<b>N° of students per class:</b> Maximum 10*2, average 6

\*1 Spanish for business from B1

\*2 In special cases due to changes of level once the course has started the number of students can be 11 for a short period





## Private tuition



### One to One

Private lessons are available for any level, and the course programme is specially adapted to each student's needs.

There's also the option of taking private lessons online.

- Start of course**  
**Every Monday**
- Nº of lessons per week**  
**From 1**
- Length of the course**  
**From 1 to 48 weeks**
- Levels**  
**From absolute beginners to advanced (A1 to C2)**
- Nº of students per class**  
**1 (there is also the option of 2/3 people: One to two)**
- Timetable**  
**To be agreed**

## Exam preparation



### Dele



This course is specially designed to prepare students for the internationally-recognised DELE exams organised by the Instituto Cervantes.

These are official certificates accrediting the student's command of the Spanish language. There are five exam sessions per year: April, May, July, October and November. We are an official exam centre for DELE exams and the students will take the exam in our school.

The examinations are offered at six different levels which meet the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) A1-A2-B1-B2-C1-C2.

- Start of course**  
**Please check starting dates in the Dates and fees list**
- Nº of lessons per week**  
**20 Dele exam preparation lessons**
- Length of the course**  
**From 1 to 4 weeks**
- Levels**  
**From beginners to advanced (A2 to C1)**
- Nº of students per class**  
**Maximum 10, average 6**
- Timetable**  
**Mornings or afternoons 9:10-13:00 or 14:10-18:00**  
(Timetables subject to change)

### Siele



The SIELE exam is a new Spanish certificate which certifies electronically the degree of proficiency for the Spanish language with four tests: Reading and listening comprehension, Written expression and interaction and Spoken expression and interaction; the exam also takes as a reference the levels established by the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). It has been created and developed by the Instituto Cervantes together with some universities.

- Start of course**  
**Please check starting dates in the Dates and fees list**
- Nº of lessons per week**  
**20 General Spanish lessons + 5 private Siele preparation lessons**
- Length of the course**  
**From 1 to 8 weeks**
- Levels**  
**From absolute beginners to advanced (A1 to C2)**
- Nº of students per class**  
**Group lessons maximum 10, average 6. Private lessons 1**
- Timetable**  
**Mornings or afternoons 9:10-13:00 or 14:10-18:00**  
**Siele private lessons: to be agreed**  
(Timetables are subject to change)








## University pathway

### Preparation for University

This course is designed for foreign students who wish to complete a university degree in Spain. To achieve this, they must first pass an entry exam.

The preparation courses to access university are tailored to each individual student; it is a fast and easy way to improve and prepare for the exam and it doesn't matter what your level or capabilities are.

-  **Start of course**  
Please check starting dates in the Dates and fees list
-  **Course includes**  
20 weekly lessons of language training or academic training (lessons on different subjects + tutoring)  
Help with the university admission process.  
(Paperwork costs and other university expenses are not included).
-  **Length of the course**  
From August or October to May. It depends on your current Spanish level.
-  **Levels**  
You can start language training with total beginner level of Spanish but you need to have a minimum level of B2 to start academic training.
-  **Timetable**  
Monday to Friday (morning or afternoon)

#### Who is this course for?

Students from foreign educational systems (with which Spain has reciprocal agreements making their qualifications compatible), who have completed upper secondary school up to the Spanish Bachillerato level (pre-university course) in their countries.

#### What is the exam?

The university entrance exams evaluate the academic maturity of students and check that they have acquired the necessary knowledge of upper-secondary education (Spanish Bachillerato). When passing the exams, students can access higher education in Spain.

#### When is the exam?

Every year there are two dates in which you can do the PCE. The first will be held over the months of May/June and the second in September.

We work in conjunction with  
Universidad Europea.

 **Universidad  
Europea Valencia**







## Study in a Spanish university



## Special courses

### Teacher training

This course is focused for non-native teachers of Spanish. It combines elements of the language and Spanish culture together with methodology and practice.

-  **Start of course**  
Please check starting dates in the "Dates and fees" list
-  **Nº of lessons per week**  
20 teacher training lessons for non-native speakers
-  **Length of the course**  
2 weeks
-  **Levels**  
From Upper Intermediate (B2)
-  **Nº of students per class**  
Maximum 10, average 6
-  **Timetable**  
Mornings or afternoons 9:10-13:00 or 14:10-18:00  
(Timetables are subject to change)



### Family programmes

Our family language programmes are specifically designed to fit the lifestyle and requirements of each individual family.

They are flexible and fun, and can be tailor-made to create the perfect holiday experience.

### Group programmes

We offer Spanish courses for school groups throughout the academic year and during the school holidays that are custom-made to respond to their individual needs and requirements.

 **Ask for brochure**





## Internship

This programme combines an intensive Spanish course with an internship in a company in or near Valencia. Before starting the work experience, you will have to attend a Spanish course of at least 2 weeks.

- Start of course  
**Every Monday**
- Age  
**Between 18 and 30 years old**
- Spanish requirements  
**B1 level or more**
- Length of the programme  
**3 months (although in some cases we can arrange different periods)**

**\* Due to COVID-19 situation, there is limited availability during 2022.**

### What is this programme for?

Working in a foreign company is a very rewarding experience. As well as giving you the chance to practise Spanish, you can learn the language specific to your job. The internship is considered to be a training programme, so it is unpaid.

We also organize funded internship programs such as Leonardo Da Vinci and PON.

### Who is this course for?

It is aimed for foreign college and university students or recent graduates who want to gain experience in a Spanish company and also enjoy Spain's exciting life and culture. We have a wide range of sectors from Finance to Hospitality.

## Volunteer work

This programme combines a Spanish course with volunteering in Valencia. It's the perfect way to learn Spanish, develop social skills, get to know the Spanish culture and have fun at the same time.

There are many types of projects available: educational and cultural, social, environmental and health care related... you can choose the area that most interests you. The volunteer work has to be combined with an intensive Spanish course of at least two weeks (it can be taken at the same time as the voluntary work).

- Start of course  
**Every Monday**
- Age  
**From 18 years old**
- Spanish requirements  
**Basic level (speak using simple vocabulary and phrases)**
- Length of the programme  
**From 2 to 24 weeks**

**\* Due to COVID-19 situation, there is limited availability during 2022.**

### What kind of volunteer work do we offer?

Teaching English, maths, sports to children, helping disabled people or to protect the Mediterranean Sea on the coast of Valencia, improving good practice for responsible tourism, fire prevention for the Valencian community mountains, conservation project in the Albufera Natural Park.

## Demipair

Here we offer a wonderful opportunity for students to fully immerse themselves in Spanish life. Students are welcomed into the homes of our Spanish hosts as a member of the family. In return they assist with childcare, help with light housework and teach the children of the house their native language or English. The programme includes 12 weeks of Spanish Intensive 20 course that can be extended.

- Start of course  
**Every Monday (except for beginners)**  
Please check starting dates in the "Dates and fees" list
- Age  
**Between 18 and 30 years old**
- Length of the programme  
**From 12 weeks to 36 weeks**

### Spanish lessons

Normally the Spanish lessons are in the morning and the working time is in the afternoon and evening. Our packaged course consists of 12 weeks of Spanish classes alongside your Demipair work.

### Working hours

Demi pairs will work 20 hours per week plus one night babysitting.

Free days: Two full free days per week (either during the week or at the weekend but at least once a month a Sunday will be free).

### Accommodation and pocket money

Demi pairs will have their own bedroom and will be given full board and some pocket money in return for their help in the house.

### Language spoken in the family

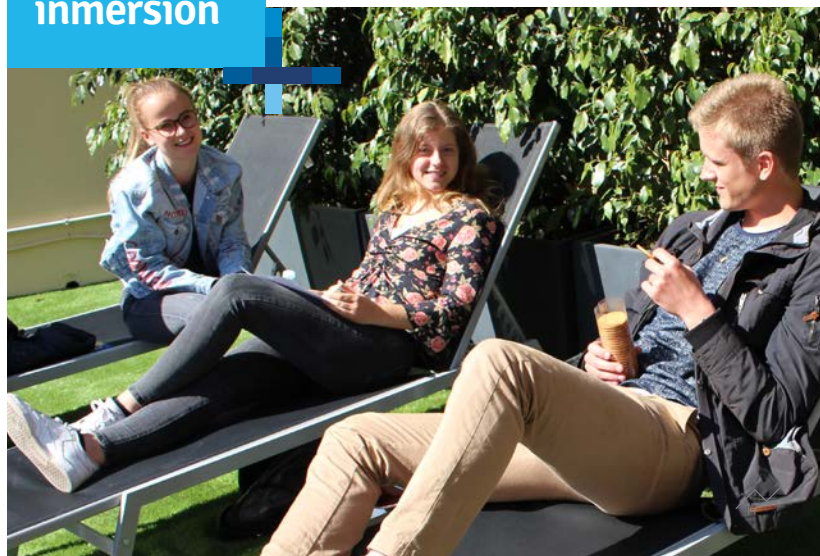
Normally Spanish families invite a foreign student to live with them because they want their children to learn and practice a second language. However they fully understand that the aim of the programme for the Demi pair is to learn and practice Spanish. In order to do this, they will make sure there's a lot of Spanish speaking time. The normal routine is for the Demi pair to speak English or another language with the children and Spanish with the parents.

**\* Due to legal restrictions, Work and study programme is not available for long term students who need a visa.**

### Common duties your host family may ask you to do

- Looking after the children.
- Taking them to the park.
- Playing with them in English or your native language.
- Helping out with homework.
- Picking the children up from school.
- Taking them for evening activities.
- Putting them to bed and reading stories.

## Full immersion





# Summer Camp








Our Summer Camp is designed for students aged between 14 and 17 with all levels of Spanish

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Our summer camp offers a unique opportunity for teenage students between the ages of 14-17 to learn in an entirely Spanish environment where they can be immersed into local life and culture. The programme is carefully designed to provide students of all levels with the platform to communicate their way through every stage of life with us and take all the skills learnt in the classroom out into the real world.

We offer our summer campers the choice to be totally integrated into Valencian life by staying with a host family or give them more of a university feel in student residence.

-  **Start of course**  
Please check starting dates in the Dates and fees list
-  **Nº of lessons per week**  
20
-  **Nº of students per class**  
Maximum 10, average 6
-  **Levels**  
From beginners to advanced (A1 to C2)
-  **Length of the programme**  
From 1 to 9 weeks

## Unforgettable experience

**Every weekday** we have activities, which include cultural visits, sports competitions, barbecues, dancing lessons, beach afternoons or shopping.

**On Saturdays** we offer full-day excursions to a variety of great destinations and on Sundays the students are free to spend the day with their hosts or they can meet friends and join the school activity in the evening.

**Experienced teachers** and co-ordinators take care of our students and accompany them during all the cultural activities, visits and excursions included in the programme.

## Summer camp includes

- # 20 Spanish lessons per week (50 minutes per class)
- # Class material
- # Level test
- # Certificate and academic report at the end of the course
- # Accommodation in host family in double room or in residence in double, triple or quadruple rooms
- # Activities, cultural visits and sports every afternoon from Sunday to Friday
- # Full board
- # One full-day excursion per week
- # Return transfer from Valencia airport
- # Airport assistance on departure (UM service is not included)
- # 24 emergency assistance
- # Medical insurance
- # Supervision by our experienced team of teachers and coordinators








# Spanish in the teachers' home



Living with and being taught by your own private teacher is an ideal option for all kinds of students (adults, juniors, couples, families) who want to have a personalized programme and to get the maximum results in the minimum time.

You will be welcomed into your teacher's home where you will experience life in Spain as part of a warm, friendly family. You will improve your language skills but also experience an authentic sense of the Spanish way of life.

-  Start of course  
**Every Monday**
-  N° of lessons per week  
**15, 20, 25 or 30**
-  N° of students per class  
**1 or 2**
-  Levels  
**From beginners to advanced (A1 to C1)**
-  Length of the programme  
**From 1 to 12 weeks**



Enjoy a full  
Spanish immersion  
experience  
in a friendly  
environment in the  
teachers' home

## Spanish lessons

This programme is very flexible, you decide the dates, how long you would like to stay, and the number of lessons per week - 15, 20, 25 or 30.

Usually, the Spanish lessons are in the mornings, while the afternoons and evenings are free for activities, visits, or private study.

At the beginning of the course, the teacher will assess your level of Spanish and requirements and will work with you to design a personalised study program. This way you can be sure that it meets exactly your learning objectives. The plan is flexible and can be modified as the course advances

At the end of the course, you'll have a new assessment to record progress. We will give you a complete report with your final achievement and recommendations for future study, together with your certificate.

If a member of your family or a friend would like to take the course with you, we also offer the possibility. If you have the same level, you can have the lessons together (one to two). It is also possible that the accompanying person doesn't take lessons but stays with you in the family and enjoys the activities too.



## Social programme

The social programme is adapted to your needs and wishes so whatever your interests are, you can fully enjoy your stay.

On the first day, the teacher will give you an orientation tour so that you get familiar with the city.

Two afternoons/evenings per week your teacher will also accompany you on a cultural visit, to a museum, exhibitions, to practice sports, to the cinema, theatre, walking.... always depending on your preferences.

The rest of the days and on the weekend, you can join the activity programme of the school and meet other international students who are also learning Spanish with us.

## Your accommodation

Staying with a Spanish family is a great cultural experience as you interact daily with local people (the teacher, the teacher's family, friends and neighbours). You'll have the opportunity to participate in their daily life, learn their customs and even cook Spanish typical food.

Our teacher's homes are of good standard. You will have full board, your own study bedroom and will share bathroom facilities with the family. You can also request a private bathroom.

There is WIFI at your teacher's home and laundry facilities will also be available for you to use.





## Accommodation

In order to feel comfortable and relaxed during your stay it is essential that you are satisfied with your accommodation arrangements.

For this reason we attach significant importance to ensuring that the quality we provide is of a good standard. We select our host families with the utmost care, ensure that our shared apartments, studios and residences are maintained in a good condition and provide general support for students with matters regarding their accommodation.

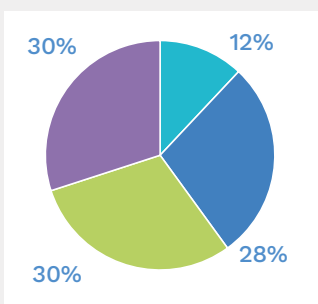
### Host family

Living with a Spanish family is the best way to become familiar with the Spanish lifestyle, get to know Spanish customs and practise the language.

We select our families carefully so that our students feel completely at ease with them. Don't expect the host family houses to be luxurious, but they are comfortable and hospitable. Most of the families live near the school and the average distance from the school is 25 minutes by public transport. Students are lodged in single or double rooms and can choose from three types of board (breakfast, half board or full board). Weekly laundry and cleaning is included. You will have your own keys to come and go as you wish, but you must respect some basic rules and schedules, especially for mealtimes.

What type of accommodation do our students choose?

- No accommodation 12%
- Apartments 28%
- Host family 30%
- Residence 30%



### Shared apartments

This type of accommodation gives you the chance to live with students from other countries. Each apartment has three or four bedrooms and one or two shared bathrooms. All apartments have a fully-equipped kitchen, a lounge with TV, a washing machine and an iron. The school provides bed linen, but not towels. Moderate electricity, gas and water expenses are included. The school is in charge of maintaining the apartment.

The apartments are cleaned every two weeks, but otherwise it is the students' duty to keep the apartment clean. The apartments are located around 25 minutes away from the school by public transport.

### San Dionisio apartments

The apartments are located in a brand new restored building with 5 other apartments for students. It is located next to the school in the lively neighbourhood "El Carmen". There are many little shops, bars, restaurants, supermarkets and other facilities around.

Each apartment has 4 or 5 rooms all of them with private bathroom and fridge.

### Resiolé Marqués apartments

The apartments are located in the building "Resiolé Marqués". The area (Barrio del Carmen) is particularly famous for being a meeting place for the most modern bohemian people. Many of the old houses and palaces have been rebuilt and converted in bars or pubs, restaurants. There are also many shops, supermarkets and other facilities around.

**Distance to school:** 5 minutes walking.

**Facilities:** A dining room and a fully equipped kitchen, there's also a washing machine, free wifi and air-conditioning (hot and cold)

**Rooms:** 2/4 or 2/5 rooms and one or two full bathroom/s.

# Resiolé city centre residences

We offer accommodation in our own student residences in the city centre. They are boutique residences located within walking distance to the school and there is a good international atmosphere as they are exclusive for our students.

## Resiolé Gran Vía

Located in a modernist building next to Gran Vía in the area of “Eixample”, a quiet neighborhood, very well located near the centre and the gardens of Turia. There are many shops, markets, supermarkets, restaurants, bars, terraces...

**Distance to school:** 20 minutes walking.

**Facilities:** 3 common kitchens where students can prepare their meals, living room, dining room, terrace and laundry facilities. WIFI all over the building.

**Rooms:** 16 single and double rooms with study area and with private bathroom.

## Resiolé La Nave

It is located in a quiet pedestrian street in the best area of the city, right in the centre, between the old town and the shopping area.

**Distance to school:** 12 minutes walking

**Facilities:** Common kitchen for students, dining room, terrace and laundry facilities. WIFI throughout the building.

**Rooms:** 12 single and double rooms with study area and with private or shared bathroom.

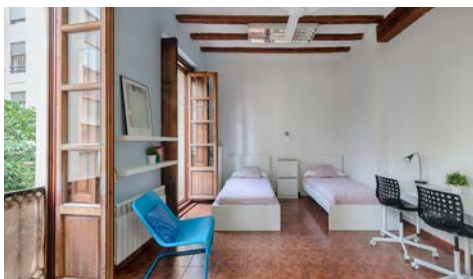
## Resiolé Mercado Student House

It is located in “El Carmen” district in a small plaza next to the famous “Mercado Central” of Valencia and to the school.

**Distance to school:** 6 minutes walking.

**Facilities:** Common kitchen, living room, dining room, terrace and laundry facilities. WIFI all over the building.

**Rooms:** 16 rooms. Single rooms with private or shared bathroom. Double and triple rooms with shared bathroom.



Central location



Living room



Dining room



Kitchen



Weekly cleaning



Laundry



Wifi



Terrace

## Types of accommodation

Accommodation Year Round	Host family	Shared apartments	San Dionisio apartments	Marqués apartments <b>resiolé</b>	City centre residences <b>resiolé</b>
Location	Residential area	Residential area	City Centre	City Centre	City Centre
Travel time to school	Around 30 minutes (average 25) by bus or metro	Around 25 minutes (average 20) by bus or metro	3 minutes walking	5 minutes walking	Between 5 and 20 minutes walking
Meals	B&B, half board and full board	Self-catering	Self-catering	Self-catering	Self-catering
How many students?	1 to 4	1 to 6	1 to 6	1 to 6	Between 20 and 30
Single Room	Yes, option of ensuite or shared bathroom	Yes, option of ensuite or shared bathroom	Yes, ensuite	Yes option of ensuite or shared bathroom	Yes, option of ensuite or shared bathroom
Double Room	Yes, option of ensuite or shared bathroom	Yes, option of ensuite or shared bathroom	Yes, ensuite	Yes	Yes, option of ensuite or shared bathroom
Facilities	Bedroom with wardrobe, study desk and chair. Bed linen and towels	Fully equipped kitchen with washing machine. TV. Bed linen Internet.	Living room and kitchen. All areas have air-conditioning and heating. Laundry facilities and free WIFI. Bed linen and towels.	Fully equipped kitchen, dining room and washing machine. Free Wi-fi and air-conditioning. Bed linen and towels	Wardrobe, desk and chair. Internet. Common kitchen. Terrace. Air-conditioning in common areas and/or rooms. Heating. Bed linen and towels
Cleaning	Every week	Every 2 weeks	Every week	Every week	Every week

The accommodation is available between 2:00 p.m. on the Sunday prior to the first day of the course (Monday) until 12:00 p.m. on the Saturday following the last day of class (Friday). Extra nights might be available at the published prices.



## Social programme

If you haven't got a plan after class, the school will help you! Just look at the activity plan for the week and experience a lot of cool stuff

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The programme of activities and excursions will help you to discover Spanish culture, the friendly attitude of the locals and the festive atmosphere of our city.

We organise many activities every week, most of them are free (there are at least three activities per week totally free) and many others are available at a very low price.

### An example of a weekly programme







## Activities and Excursions

[City tour](#)

[Tapas making classes](#)

[Visit to the City of Arts & Sciences](#)

[Language exchange nights with locals](#)

[Visit museums](#)

[City bike tour](#)

[Sports](#)

[Shopping trips](#)

[Bowling](#)

[BBQ in the school terrace](#)

[Cinema night](#)

[Beach games](#)

[Cooking workshops](#)

[Wine and cheese tasting](#)

[Oceanographic aquarium](#)

[Flamenco show](#)

## Organised Tours

[Altea and Calpe snorkelling](#)

[Aquapark](#)

[Albufera lake](#)

[Benicassim](#)

[Sagunto](#)

[Játiva](#)

[Peñíscola](#)

[Javea](#)

[Altea](#)

[Alicante](#)

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**Join our team and our international students to continue enjoying Valencia after lessons!**

It is the ideal complement to a Spanish course and gives you the chance to practise Spanish in everyday situations, find out what Spain and the culture are like, and get to know the local people. Valencia also offers many opportunities to practise your favourite sports. Near the school there are sports facilities where you can play tennis, basketball, football, squash, aerobics, fitness training, or step classes.







# A day in the life of Arianna from Italy

Our student tells you how is one day studying with us



## 08:45 Bus to school

My student apartment is only a few stops away from the school so sometimes I walk or use the Valenbisi bike system but today I decided to take the bus as it's really convenient, cheap and stops so close to the school!



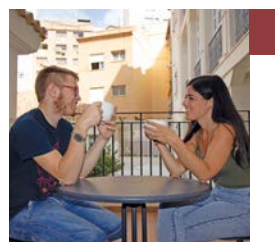
## 19:00 Afternoon activity

I was really surprised to see such a full activity schedule all included in the price. Before arriving I didn't think I would do so many activities but now I'm here I've been on almost all of them including weekend trips to other cities.



## 09:10 Spanish classes

Going to class is a pleasure as I get to see my new friends and the teacher knows how to make learning fun. My classmates are from all over the globe and our teacher, Juan, has actually travelled to most of our countries!



## 21:00 Life at my new home

I live with a Japanese girl and a boy from Denmark and we are all so happy and comfortable together. The apartment has plenty of space and we have everything we need in the area. We like to go to dinner three times a week but we also take turns cooking food from our countries for each other. It's a fun way of learning names in Spanish for foods and ways of cooking!



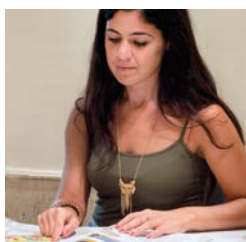
## 14:00 Lunch

Lunchtime is the perfect opportunity for us to practise much of what we learn in the classroom. There seems to be an endless amount of options in El Carmen and I found all the waiters to be so nice and friendly. I love the food too so am always looking forward to lunch!



## 22:00 Valencia nightlife

I think I could live here for years and still discover funky little bars, casual looking restaurants that serve amazing food and there seems to be a local neighbourhood fiesta every day somewhere! My Japanese housemate loves flamenco and live music so she is always finding new places for us to go. There just aren't enough nights in the week!



## 16:30 Homework

This time last week I had classes in the afternoon, which meant I would do my homework while enjoying coffee and breakfast on a terrace. Now I have morning classes I enjoy doing it with my merienda instead! The homework is carefully planned by the teachers and everything flows nicely so you actually want to do it and be ready for class the next day.

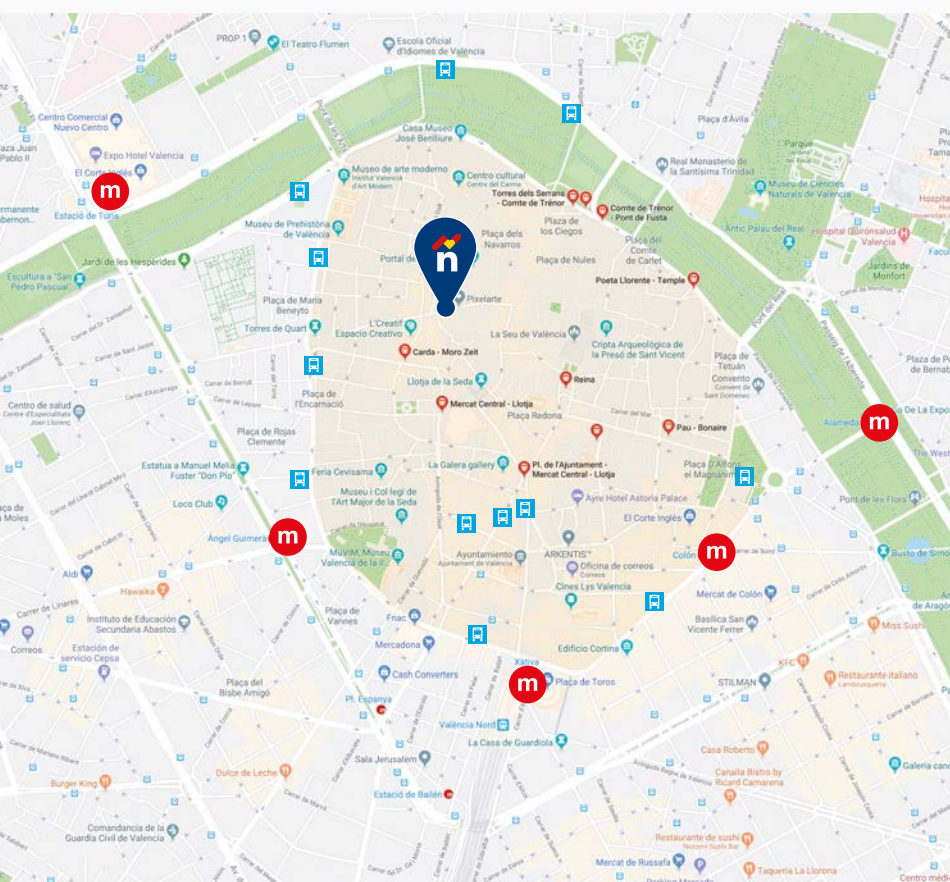




## How to get to the school

**m By metro:**  
Estació de Túria, Colón,  
Alameda, Xàtiva, Ángel Guimerá

**By bus:** One of the many  
bus stops around the old  
town area.



Your first day of class with us starts a little earlier than usual at 08:30am so we can give an oral test and start classing you.

A pre-arrival test will be completed online a maximum of one week before coming and those who have not completed the pre-arrival test will complete on Monday.

After testing we will have an orientation meeting where students can meet each other, our staff and receive useful info about Españolé and Valencia itself. Once testing and orientation has finished you will receive your book, learning schedule and classes will start there and then!

In the afternoon we arrange a guided tour of the city for all new students. We highly recommend joining as it will not only familiarise yourself with your new temporary home but you will have opportunities to practice what you learnt in the classroom that day and get to know your classmates better.

Can you imagine  
a better place to  
learn Spanish?





# Valencia

Valencia is a vibrant, cosmopolitan city with about 800,000 inhabitants enjoying its majestic buildings and wonderful scenery

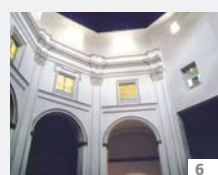
## What to do?

### Enjoy a plethora of parks and gardens

Valencia is not only a city of culture but also a city with beautiful parks, gardens and relaxing recreational areas. The old riverbed has been converted into a 9 km park that snakes through the city and is perfect for all kinds of activities such as cycling, jogging and skating. There are also many relaxation spots along the park and dotted throughout the city so no matter where you are you'll find something close by.

### Enjoy Valencia gastronomy and nightlife

The city has a seemingly never-ending supply of bars serving high quality tapas and pintxos. There are, of course, many restaurants serving classic Valencian cuisine such as the famous paella but you'll soon discover real locals prefer Fideuà, which is a must-try also! Valencia is famous for its nightlife and there are many lively areas and places to go to suit all tastes and styles.



## Where history meets modernism

A truly stunning Mediterranean city, Valencia enjoys a mild temperate climate and offers a wealth of gastronomic delights, festivals and cultural events to enjoy. You will see how important historical traditions and recent innovative architecture stand side by side and complement each other, the city and the people perfectly. In the last two decades Valencia has undergone an amazing transformation that needs to be seen to be believed.

**1.- The Lonja:** one of the best examples of Gothic civil architecture in Europe. It enjoys Patrimony of the Humanity (UNESCO).

**2.- The Central Market:** one of the many places not to be missed. This colourful, bustling lively market, in a beautiful modernist building, will entice you to buy far more than you intended to.

**3.- The Cathedral:** each of its three gates has a different style: Baroque, Gothic and Romanesque. From its bell tower, El Miguelete, you can enjoy amazing views over the city.

**4.- Plaza de la Virgen:** which sits on the site that was once the Roman forum.

**5.- Torres de Serranos:** considered to be the largest Gothic city gateway in all of Europe.

**6.- The Fine Arts Museum San Pio V:** one of the most outstanding painting archives in Spain.

**7.- The National Ceramics Museum Gonzalez Marti:** housed in a palace from the 15th century and refurbished in 1740 in rococo.

**8.-The City of Arts and Sciences:** this amazing complex includes five buildings which are breathtaking at first sight. They are simply incredible.

**9.- Jardín del Turia:** The former river has now been transformed into a park, where locals walk, run, sunbathe and cycle.

**10.- Valencia Bioparc:** The animals live in a natural habitat in this 21st-century version of a zoo. Explore the ecosystems of the savannah, the forests of Madagascar

and equatorial Africa, while getting up close to silverback gorillas, leopards, lions, rhinos, hippos and some very cute meerkats.

**11.- El Mestalla:** Valencia CF, or Los Che as they're known locally, are a giant of the European game. La Liga winners twice at the start of the 2000's and enjoying a recent resurgence they're known for their entertaining style of play.

**12.- Tapeo:** Translated as walking around different bars enjoying their drinks and tapas – and we recommend doing just that!



## A beach for most of the year

It's not uncommon for us to have temperatures in the 20's during January and while that may not be sunbathing weather it doesn't mean you can enjoy a stroll on the beach! Wide-open beaches filled with golden sand are lined with palm trees, bars and restaurants that are frequented by locals and tourists alike 12 months of the year.

## Live traditions and festivals

The most popular festival in Valencia, Las Fallas, takes place in March and for five days fireworks can be seen and heard all over the city. The sound of band music and the impressive mascletàs turn the city into a place to behold: a complete transformation that precedes spring every year.

## Enjoy the city events

Valencia is known all over the world for its international events: the final round of the Moto GP, the open tennis tournament and much more. For each of these events the city opens its arms and hearts to the thousands of tourists who arrive to be entertained each year.

And all this, together with more than 300 days of sunshine per year and people who are open-minded and friendly, make Valencia the ideal place in which to spend a memorable study holiday.



## Your arrival

If you have booked your accommodation with us, we will send you the complete details and information on how to get to your accommodation at least two weeks before your arrival.

## Transfer Service

We can arrange your transfer on arrival at Valencia airport, train or bus station and also your departure. To guarantee the transfer we need to know your arrival details (date, time, place, and flight number) at least one week before arrival.



## How to get to Valencia

### By plane ✈️

Valencia has an international airport located about 8 km from the city. Flights from the main cities of Spain and Europe land here. Moreover, Valencia has connecting flights with Madrid and Barcelona for destinations all over the world. The airport is easily reached by bus and metro from the city centre.

### By bus 🚌

The central bus station is located in the West zone of the city. It has lines connecting the main Spanish and European cities. From the central station, the best way to access other points in the city is by bus or underground.

### By train 🚆

Trains coming from all over the country stop at the "Estación del Norte", located in the heart of Valencia. From here it takes just 10 minutes to walk to the school.





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