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AMERISPAN'S PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DESTINATIONS

	Country	Language	Medical Programs	Business & Professional	Teacher & Educator
①	Argentina	Spanish	✓	✓	
②	Austria	German			✓
③	Brazil	Portuguese	✓	✓	✓
④	Chile	Spanish	✓		
⑤	China	Chinese		✓	✓
⑥	Costa Rica	Spanish	✓	✓	✓
⑦	Dom. Rep.	Spanish	✓		
⑧	Ecuador	Spanish	✓		✓
⑨	France	French		✓	✓

	Country	Language	Medical Programs	Business & Professional	Teacher & Educator
⑩	Germany	German		✓	✓
⑪	Guatemala	Spanish	✓		
⑫	Honduras	Spanish	✓		
⑬	Italy	Italian		✓	✓
⑭	Jordan	Arabic		✓	
⑮	Mexico	Spanish	✓	✓	✓
⑯	Peru	Spanish	✓		
⑰	Russia	Russian			✓
⑱	Spain	Spanish	✓	✓	✓

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## WHO IS AMERISPAN?

AmeriSpan specializes in language immersion programs, academic study abroad, volunteer & internship placements and other educational travel experiences.

AmeriSpan started in 1993 in a small apartment with only one phone line and one computer. Since 1993, AmeriSpan has grown tremendously, sending more than 35,000 people abroad to participate in our programs. We are constantly working to improve our existing programs, add new programs and help you select a program that best fits your needs.

All of our programs are designed around the basic purpose of helping you understand and communicate in another language with different people in a pleasant and fast way. Our 'formula' for accomplishing this consists of three ingredients for your success: intensive language instruction, cultural immersion and leisure. Many programs such as our volunteer & internship and SALUD programs include a service learning component as well. With AmeriSpan, you have the opportunity of choosing between different countries, target languages, housing, lifestyles and methods of instruction from our various programs.

## Program Types

AmeriSpan offers a variety of Professional Development Immersion programs which combine intensive language training with other specialized components. These additional components may include specific vocabulary classes, topical relevant courses, observational visits to relevant institutions, guest speakers, in-classroom practice and training, and in some cases, hands-on training. Each program is different and includes different components and may have specific language and/or other requirements.

This catalog has been divided into three main areas: Medical Spanish or Portuguese; Business & Professional; and Teachers & Educators.

### Medical Spanish & Portuguese

Our most popular professional program is the SALUD Medical Spanish program utilized by many members of AMSA (American Medical Student Association) and available to people studying or practicing in health-related fields. The program's primary goal is improving Spanish/Portuguese including relevant vocabulary. The secondary goal is to expose the participant to another country's healthcare system. Each program does this in different ways. Backgrounds of past participants include: traditional & osteopathic medical students, pre-med, nursing, pharmacology, and physical therapy students, physician assistants, nurses, paramedics, EMTs, and physicians. Many destinations in Latin America and Spain are offered and the SALUD program is available for Spanish or Portuguese learning.

### Business & Professional

Business & Professional programs help prepare you to be more successful in today's global marketplace. The typical program in this sector includes general language courses, specialized vocabulary courses and some additional specialized courses. Our professional language programs offer specialized courses for a variety of occupations and provide the language skills that working professionals and business students need in day-to-day business dealings. Past participants come from a variety of working backgrounds and business degrees including flight attendants, corporate executives, self-employed business owners, journalists, engineers, lawyers, government & military personnel and even food purveyors.

### Teachers & Educators

AmeriSpan offers a variety of language programs for current and future educators. Several different types of programs are offered. The most popular offering in this segment is our MAESTRO Spanish for Educators programs. Educator and Teacher programs are open to all educators, education majors, student teachers and school administrators who interact with limited English proficient (LEP) Spanish-speaking students and parents. In addition, we offer programs for foreign language teachers in 4 languages who want to update their teaching methodologies and language skills. We also offer Exam Prep Courses for those planning to take a national language certification exam.



# INTRODUCTION

## WHY AMERISPAN?

### Combined Travel and Linguistic Knowledge

AmeriSpan's staff has three passions: language, culture, and travel. Individually and as a group, we have accumulated experiences and knowledge related to these passions. We have traveled to more than 65 countries — every continent except Antarctica — and speak 10 languages. We are happy to share this enormous amount of relevant knowledge with you.

Every AmeriSpan staff member has studied and/or lived abroad for extended periods of time. We understand your questions and concerns because we have personally dealt with the same issues. We have gone to great lengths to make it easier for you than it was for us. After enrolling in a program, you will receive a copy of the "Need-To-Know" fact sheets on the country or countries that you will be visiting. These fact sheets include information about entry requirements, climate, health and many other "Need-To-Know" things. If you still have questions, we'll be happy to answer them.

We are neither a language school nor a travel agent —we're a hybrid of the two, a language travel organization. AmeriSpan has evaluated hundreds of schools, host families and destinations to determine which programs to offer. Our independence allows us to give you unbiased evaluations of the programs. We do not just list what is included —rather, we clearly state our opinions.

### No Headaches, No Hassles

Aside from assisting you with which program to choose, we work hard to make the whole process as simple as possible. AmeriSpan pre-arranges your school, lodging, airport pick-up and other services. With AmeriSpan, you will not have to worry about international wire transfers, international phone calls or dozens of other possible complications with arrangements and money. We accept personal checks, Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express. AmeriSpan accepts applications by mail, by fax or online.

### Hand-Picked Schools

AmeriSpan staff has visited hundreds of language schools throughout the world and we have hand-picked the schools which we think are the best available for each location. The programs AmeriSpan offers are the ones we would choose to attend ourselves.

### Latin America & Spain Experts

Prior to 1999, AmeriSpan specialized in offering Spanish programs in Latin America and Spain. Our staff has repeatedly traveled to every Spanish-speaking nation in the world (20 different countries) to personally evaluate hundreds of language schools and host families. As a result of this emphasis, our staff has an enormous amount of first-hand knowledge about the Spanish-speaking world.

### Emergency Message Service

During an emergency if your family can't contact you, they may call us 24 hours/day, dictate the message and we will relay the message to you. Conversely, if you cannot reach your family and it is an emergency, call us collect from anywhere and we will relay the message.

### Making a Difference

Since the beginning, AmeriSpan has been active in "making a difference". Over the years, we have participated in numerous projects including rainforest preservation, literacy projects in hispanic communities, and aiding Latin American health-related organizations.

## Best Guarantee in Study Abroad

AmeriSpan's No Risk Triple Guarantee is the best in the industry. There is no risk in choosing an AmeriSpan Program because you'll get the best program, best price and can cancel for any reason and get a full refund on every dollar we have received for your program.

### 1. SATISFACTION GUARANTEE

Your satisfaction is our main concern. If you aren't satisfied, we'll pay for a week of group classes at the same program or another of your choice.

### 2. 110% PRICE GUARANTEE

You never pay more with AmeriSpan because if you find a price lower than ours, we'll match it & take another 10% off.

### 3. FULL MONEY-BACK GUARANTEE

Change your mind for any reason & we'll refund 100% of any money paid to AmeriSpan, no questions asked.

## Why Immersion?

Learning another language is more than memorizing vocabulary and grammatical structure; it's embracing an element which binds together a people ... a way of life ... a culture. You cannot learn these aspects from a book, experience is your only teacher. By totally immersing yourself, you will speed up your comprehension and usage of your target language because you will be living the language. Here are some other reasons to consider total immersion:

- **Fewer Distractions & Better Concentration** — By leaving responsibilities such as job and family at home, focusing on language studies is more easy.
- **Recreation & Relaxation** — Whether your interests lie in food, art, architecture, history, beaches, outdoor activities or something else, you can find an immersion program that will allow you to pursue those interests while you participate.
- **Around-the-Clock Classroom** — Learning extends beyond the class hours because you are surrounded by the classroom. You will constantly be reading, speaking, and listening to the foreign language whether eating a meal, shopping, or asking for directions.
- **Increasingly Required By Employers** — Many employers and advanced degree programs require foreign language and international experience.
- **Better Value Than US-based Private Institutions** — Many immersion programs, especially those in Latin America, cost the same or less than US-based classes even after paying for airfare, lodging and meals.



## LODGING & MEALS

Most AmeriSpan programs include at least one type of lodging. They usually include meals and are intended for various age groups. For those interested in arranging their own lodging, we do offer classes only and may be able to offer a few hotel recommendations. Below are descriptions of the three types of lodging available at our different programs:

### Host Family (some meals)

Nearly all AmeriSpan programs offer you the opportunity to live with a local host family. The families are screened and selected by the AmeriSpan partner school. In addition to receiving room and board, many students form friendships that can last a lifetime. Living with a family provides complete immersion, gives you the opportunity to practice what you've learned, and gives you a firsthand look at a different culture. According to our past participants, the homestay is either the best or worst part of the trip. The difference is in the expectations of our students. The students who have realistic expectations almost always believe the homestay was the best part of the trip. Those who have unrealistic expectations can be disappointed. Remember many of you are coming from one of the richer countries in the world. Few homestays will be equal to the comforts that you may take for granted.

### Apartment or Residence (no meals)

At many programs, you have the option of staying at an apartment/school residence shared by other participants. Apartments/school residences vary by location, but generally, have a kitchen, a common room, and a washing machine. Normally, your bedroom is shared but may be upgraded to a private bedroom for an extra charge. Most or all of your housemates will be attending the same language program as you. No meals are included, and bathrooms are shared with your housemates.

### Dorm (some meals)

AmeriSpan can arrange lodging at a dorm if listed as an option in our materials. Mainly in Europe, we offer the option of staying in a dorm shared with participants attending your program and/or local students attending universities. Dorms vary by location, but generally have a cafeteria where some meals are served and some common areas. In addition, many dorms are single sex and have rules regarding visitation, noise, etc. Normally, your bedroom is shared but may be upgraded to a private bedroom for an extra charge. Some meals are included with this option.

## ACADEMIC CREDIT

If you wish to receive credit for AmeriSpan programs, you have 3 options:

### Your Local University

Many times you can obtain credit for participation in an AmeriSpan program from your local university. This usually involves meeting with faculty from your Study Abroad or Foreign Language department. Sometimes your faculty will request a course syllabus or other information. Just let us know what information you need and we will be happy to assist you. Many of AmeriSpan's partner schools have agreements with colleges and universities, whereby participants can earn academic credit for their language study.

### Brookhaven College

Brookhaven College is known as a comprehensive community college and is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools ([www.sacscoc.org](http://www.sacscoc.org)). Students have the opportunity to earn up to 17 credits for Beginner & Intermediate language levels in a variety of languages including Arabic, Chinese, French, Italian, Japanese and Spanish.

### CLEP Exams

The College-Level Examination Program® (CLEP) gives you the opportunity to receive college credit for what you already know by earning qualifying scores on any of 34 examinations. Depending on your college's CLEP policy, a satisfactory score on a CLEP exam can earn you from 3 to 12 college credits. The best part is the cost of an exam is less than \$100!

## Financial Aid & Scholarships

**Financial Aid** – Many participants have been able to obtain financial aid and loans for AmeriSpan programs. We have a list of different resources for this on our website at: [www.amerispan.com/financial\\_aid/](http://www.amerispan.com/financial_aid/)

**Scholarships** – AmeriSpan students are eligible for study abroad scholarships including Benjamin A. Gilman, David L. Boren and Rotary Ambassadorial scholarships. In addition, we offer a variety of AmeriSpan scholarships for our participants attending affiliated universities or for those in financial need. For more information, visit: [www.amerispan.com/scholarships/](http://www.amerispan.com/scholarships/)



# MEDICAL SPANISH

## A Word About Expectations

The majority of SALUD participants have commented that this program changed their lives in some way. However, false and unrealistic expectations have the potential to ruin your experience.

### You should expect...

- To improve and/or acquire foreign language skills in Spanish or Portuguese.
- To be open minded about your experience.
- Some additional out of pocket expenses. Things like local transportation, going out in the evenings, etc. are not included in the program cost.
- To participate in cultural activities.
- To learn something about the medical system of the host country. This may be accomplished in a variety of ways, which include some or all of the following: site visits, special topic lectures, service learning, etc.
- To dress appropriately for site visits. Specific information will be included in your confirmation package after you enroll.
- To bring donations. See itinerary for details.



### Do not expect...

- To be able to treat patients directly. Remember, you are not licensed in the host country. You may be able to do some basic hands-on work depending on your language level and medical skill level.
- The schedule to be set in stone. Opportunities may arise on-site to add something or change something on the original itinerary for the benefit of the participants or other reasons beyond control.
- This to be a relaxing vacation. The primary purpose of this program is to give you a lot of information in a relatively short amount of time. You will have some free time. If you are looking for a more relaxing program, try our Standard Immersion Programs, which are non-specific to medicine.

## Overview

AmeriSpan's SALUD medical program dates back to the year 2000. At that time, an AMSA (American Medical Student Association) member from Ohio contacted us with a special request to design a short-term program geared for medical students. The leader wanted us to use our expertise in language immersion programs to incorporate Spanish language classes, cultural activities, excursions, and an overview of the medical system in Ecuador into one program.

Since that first program in Quito, over 1,000 healthcare students and professionals from 48 US States, 4 Canadian provinces and 6 other countries have participated. Backgrounds of past participants include: traditional & osteopathic medical students, pre-med, nursing, pharmacology, and physical therapy students, physician assistants, nurses, paramedics, EMTs, and physicians. Many additional destinations in Latin America and Spain have been added over time, and the SALUD program is now available for Spanish or for Portuguese.

## Required Skills

Each SALUD program has been designed to accommodate participants of different language levels and different medical backgrounds. Consequently, not all programs are for everyone. The programs each have a required language level listed. If you do not meet the minimum level, you can still apply but should plan on signing up for at least an additional two weeks of language class prior to the start of the program. Additionally, due to the nature of the on-site medical component, some programs are restricted to higher-level medical students or professionals while others are open to everyone. Please be sure you meet the minimum requirements before you apply and ask if you have any questions.

## Elective Credit & CEUs

AmeriSpan SALUD participants have been able to receive academic credit or CEUs (Continuing Education Units) in two ways:

- **Foreign language credit** – May be available through your own college or university, or through AmeriSpan's credit arrangement with Brookhaven or Seattle Central Community College.
- **Medical elective credit** – Usually decided by your advisor. AmeriSpan can sign general elective forms from your school. You should bring evaluation forms to the in-country school staff to be completed during your course.

## Three Different Types of SALUD Programs

- **SALUD Group Program:** This is our standard SALUD program. AmeriSpan has successfully offered these programs since the year 2000, they are designed for groups of 10-20 participants, and have set start dates in the spring and/or summer months. These programs not only give you the opportunity to learn the language and see first-hand the medical system of another country, but you will also meet healthcare students and professionals from other parts of the USA, Canada and elsewhere around the world.
- **SALUD Independent Program:** Offers the same core curriculum as the SALUD Group programs, however the Independent Programs offer the flexibility to start any Monday of the year. With the independent programs, you won't have the interaction with other SALUD students as you would in the Standard programs and may be the only SALUD student. You will still interact with non-SALUD students studying the language. Also, SALUD Independent programs may have fewer lectures and activities and are typically a bit more expensive than the SALUD Group programs.
- **Custom SALUD Program:** Several medical school groups over the years have asked us to design a slightly different program to meet their group's needs. Maybe they are looking for more emphasis on language, or a different destination. Custom SALUD programs are available for groups of 3 or more who have slightly different needs than what the Standard & Independent programs have to offer.

## On-site Medical Component

In addition to participating in special topic lectures and medical terminology classes, past SALUD participants have visited, observed or assisted in dozens of healthcare sites in Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Guatemala, Mexico, Panama, Peru, and Spain. These sites have included a variety of public and private hospitals, rural clinics, AIDS and other terminal illness care facilities, nursing homes, private practice offices and more.



# & PORTUGUESE

## ARGENTINA: Buenos Aires Independent: 4 or 8 weeks

Buenos Aires is a cosmopolitan city with European flair; considered to be "one of the world's great cities" by Lonely Planet. Learn about the medical system of one of the most developed countries in Latin America. This program includes all of the most popular features of SALUD programs, but keep in mind that Buenos Aires is extremely large. Your commute can be up to 1.5 hours, even with the spectacular public transportation. Host families are generally placed partway between the school and the placement to even out your commute. You may have the option to switch lodging in the 3<sup>rd</sup> week if your placement is on the outskirts of the city.



### Intensive Study of Medical Terminology & Medical Observation

#### FEATURES:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spanish Language Classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Visit Medical Facilities                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spanish Medical Vocab.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Observe at Medical Facilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Medical Tours                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Shadow Doctors                           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Medical Activities   | <input type="checkbox"/> Hands-on Experience                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical-Related Lectures            | <input type="checkbox"/> Customizable                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Classroom Simulations               |   |

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- 4-wk: Low-Intermediate Spanish, 8-wk: Mid-Intermediate Spanish
- Open to 1<sup>st</sup> year Medical Students & above

## ARGENTINA: Cordoba Independent: 4 or 8 weeks

At around one-tenth the size of Buenos Aires and its surrounding suburbs, Cordoba is Argentina's 2<sup>nd</sup> largest city. The city and suburbs of Cordoba has an entirely different character than its larger counterpart, and is virtually undiscovered by North American tourists. The SALUD program here is similar to the Full-time volunteer program with additional private classes to study medical terminology. Your classes will only last for 2 weeks, so we urge you to study on your own or add additional weeks if your level is not strong. The placement can be shortened from 8 weeks to 6 at a slightly reduced cost. Occasionally, SALUD-ers are placed outside of the city for the clinical portion.



### Intensive Study of Medical Terminology & Medical Settings

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spanish Medical Vocab.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Observe at Medical Facilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Medical Tours                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shadow Doctors                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Medical Activities   | <input type="checkbox"/> Hands-on Experience                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical-Related Lectures            | <input type="checkbox"/> Customizable                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Classroom Simulations               |   |

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- 4-wk: Low-Intermediate Spanish, 8-wk: Mid-Intermediate Spanish
- Open to 1<sup>st</sup> year Medical Students & above

## BRAZIL: Maceio Group: 4 weeks

Maceio is the state capital of Alagoas and is best known for its tropical lagoons and beaches. Like many of the cities in the region, Maceio is mainly a sugar port and the area is one of the most diverse and least spoiled by tourism in the country. The cities beaches offer nightly festivals and rituals to observe. You likely won't be able to get an international flight direct to Maceio, but instead get a connection from Rio, Sao Paulo or Salvador. This program is our only non-Spanish SALUD program, so it does cover the most important areas that we generally offer. The itinerary offers even pre-med students the opportunity to shadow doctors. It is an excellent location in which to learn about tropical diseases.



### Overview of Tropical & Infectious Diseases

#### FEATURES:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Portuguese Language Classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Visit Medical Facilities                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Portuguese Medical Vocab.   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Observe at Medical Facilities |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Medical Tours           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shadow Doctors                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Medical Activities      | <input type="checkbox"/> Hands-on Experience                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical-Related Lectures               | <input type="checkbox"/> Customizable                             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Classroom Simulations       |   |

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least Mid-Intermediate Portuguese
- Open to Pre-Medical Students & above

## CHILE: Santiago Independent: 2 weeks

Santiago is beautifully set in a wide plain with the backdrop of the Andes and lots of public gardens sprinkled throughout the city. About 4 million people live in this modern city full of skyscrapers and traffic. Santiago offers the comforts and cultural activities of a big city and is close to beaches, mountains and Chile's lake district. The Santiago, Chile Independent program is for two weeks and includes: 20 hours of Spanish classes per week (group classes); 14 hours of medical terminology classes (private classes); private room with host family; 2 meals daily; one weekend excursion; cultural activities, clinical observation at hospital or clinic.



### Intensive Study of Medical Terminology & Medical Settings

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Medical Activities   | <input type="checkbox"/> Hands-on Experience                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical-Related Lectures            | <input type="checkbox"/> Customizable                             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Classroom Simulations    |   |

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least Low-Intermediate Spanish
- Open to 1<sup>st</sup> year Medical Students & above, Physicians, Nurses, etc.



# MEDICAL SPANISH

## COSTA RICA: Alajuela Group I: 4 or 5 weeks

The town of Alajuela is very close to the San Jose Airport, but the school itself is outside the town on a quaint tropical hillside. Each building on the campus holds 2-4 classrooms and is named for a different native Costa Rican plant. Many placements will be located towards San Jose, so you will either have a longer commute to school or you will move to a family who lives closer to the placement during the optional 5<sup>th</sup> week. All participants will be expected to behave in a very professional manner as this program is for serious students only.



### Overview of Costa Rican Health Issues

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Medical Tours        | <input type="checkbox"/> Shadow Doctors                           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Medical Activities   | <input type="checkbox"/> Hands-on Experience                      |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medical-Related Lectures | <input type="checkbox"/> Customizable                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Classroom Simulations               |   |

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least Mid-Beginner Spanish (4 wks) or Mid-Intermediate (5 wks)
- Open to Pre-Medical Students and above

## COSTA RICA: Heredia – Independent: 4 weeks

A vibrant university town outside of San Jose, Heredia has a distinct small town feeling with an urban vibe. Easily travel into the capital or countryside within minutes by one of the many clean and safe public buses available. The city offers the best access to *Volcán Barva* in the *Parque Nacional Braulio Carrillo*. Some placements are right in town, while others are a short bus ride to San Jose. We can be very flexible with the Heredia medical program. Some may choose to shorten the classes, other will lengthen the placement. You even have a choice of residence or homestay, which isn't offered in most SALUD locations. It is great for students who want to customize!



### Central America's Most Advanced Medical System

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical-Related Lectures            | <input type="checkbox"/> Customizable                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Classroom Simulations               |   |

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least Low-Intermediate Spanish
- Open to 1<sup>st</sup> year Medical Students and above

## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC: Santo Domingo: 2 weeks

Imagine yourself learning Spanish near the beach in the Caribbean, surrounded by palm trees and fresh sea air. You can also use your medical knowledge in a bustling hospital in cosmopolitan Santo Domingo or a small clinic in a campesino town. The first week is strictly Spanish classes, and the second week consists of shadowing doctors 6-8 hours per day. There are several rural and urban hospitals and clinics available, so please be specific if you have a preference or specialty. There is also the possibility to extend this program. This program is great for someone who has little time but would like to improve their Spanish abilities while gaining experience in a foreign medical setting.



### Introduction to Medical Terminology

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical-Related Lectures            | <input type="checkbox"/> Customizable                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Classroom Simulations               |   |

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least Mid-Intermediate Spanish
- Open to Pre-Medical Students and above

## ECUADOR: Quito – Group I: 4 weeks

Our first SALUD program ever took place in Quito, which makes this one of our best and most popular programs. Book early to ensure your spot! Quito SALUD can be done with a lower level of Spanish than most other programs that offer observation placements. We still encourage you to study up in advance or book additional weeks of classes to get the most out of this experience. Quito offers a diverse atmosphere and easy travel to other parts of the country. Airfare is usually less expensive here than to the more out of the way locations.



### Overview of the Ecuadorian Health System

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medical-Related Lectures | <input type="checkbox"/> Customizable                             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Classroom Simulations    |   |

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least High-Beginner Spanish
- Open to 1<sup>st</sup> year Medical Students and above



# & PORTUGUESE

## ECUADOR: Cuenca – Independent: 4 weeks

Despite its status as the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest city in Ecuador, this colonial gem still has an “out-of-the-way” feel. Easy to navigate on foot, Cuenca is a great location in which to immerse yourself in the language and culture. It is also the economic center of the region of El Austro. Cuenca is home to many important cultural figures including artists & intellectuals. Here you will find a wide variety of *artesanía* goods, a pleasant climate & beautiful highlands scenery. This program includes everything you could possibly want, including the difficult-to-book airfare from Quito to Cuenca. Please note that activities and observations take place in the mornings, classes will take place in the afternoons.



### Overview of Clinical Settings in Ecuador

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#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least Mid-Intermediate Spanish
- Open to 1<sup>st</sup> year Medical Students and above

## GUATEMALA: Antigua – Independent : 10 days (Clinical Exposure)

### Spanish & Healthcare Summary Course

A favorite among our professional participants, the Antigua 10-day independent program offers the opportunity to see two big cultural attractions and visit some clinics in the Antigua area. As enchanting as it is inviting, Antigua has excellent nightlife and traditional Guatemalan values side-by-side. As our shortest SALUD program, the 10-day Independent can be done using just a few days of precious vacation time. This program allows those with a higher Spanish level the option to have some clinical exposure in a Guatemalan hospital, in addition to improving your Spanish and seeing a little bit of the country. A little of everything in a short trip!”



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| <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish Medical Vocab.              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Observe at Medical Facilities |
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#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least Low-Intermediate Spanish
- Open to 1<sup>st</sup> year Medical Students and above, Nurses

## GUATEMALA: Antigua – Independent : 10 days (Terminology Intensive)

### Focus on Medical Spanish Vocabulary

A favorite among our professional participants, the Antigua 10-day independent program offers the opportunity to see two big cultural attractions, and study medical terminology. As enchanting as it is inviting, Antigua has excellent nightlife and traditional Guatemalan values side-by-side. As our shortest SALUD program, the 10-day Independent can be done using just a few days of precious vacation time. This program is for those looking to improve their Spanish and Medical terminology quickly! Combining general Spanish courses, medical Spanish vocabulary, and cultural activities is the best way to bring back familiarity with the culture to your work with ESL patients or make your resume stand out.



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#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least Low-Beginner Spanish
- Open to 1<sup>st</sup> year Medical Students and above

## GUATEMALA: Antigua – Independent: 3 weeks

### Overview of Healthcare in an Impoverished, Indigenous Nation

Antigua is convenient to the airport but much nicer and safer than the capital city. Worldwide it is one of the most popular (and least expensive) locations to learn Spanish. We recommend Guatemala because of the slow and clear quality of the accent here. Antigua is quaint yet more comfortable than most travelers expect in Guatemala. The 3-week Independent SALUD is similar to the 3-week Group program but made to be more flexible to fit your needs. You will still be studying in one of our most popular locations, and an AmeriSpan staff favorite, but you study in private lessons! Independent programs in Guatemala are not available May-August.



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#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least Low-Intermediate Spanish
- Open to 1<sup>st</sup> year Medical Students and above



# MEDICAL SPANISH

## GUATEMALA: Antigua – Group: 4 weeks

The colonial city of Antigua is a haven for tourists and locals alike. Weekends will see the bars packed with professionals from Guatemala City looking to get out of town. The regulations for foreign healthcare volunteers have recently become stricter, so we recommend this program for only 4<sup>th</sup> year and up. We strongly recommend that you have a good grasp of Spanish to ensure you will get the most out of the medical portions. Remember, group programs offer interaction with other foreign medical students and professionals, but may offer less one-on-one attention. The 4-week program includes two weekend excursions, but we highly recommend that you use one of your free weekends to visit the ruins at Tikal.



### Overview of Healthcare in an Impoverished, Indigenous Nation

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#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least Low-Intermediate Spanish
- Open to 1<sup>st</sup> year Medical Students and above

## HONDURAS: La Ceiba – Independent: 4 weeks

### Customizable Program for Medical Terminology & Exposure in a Public Hospital or Clinic

The Caribbean port town of La Ceiba offers the culture and relaxation of a resort town that is, as of now, largely undiscovered by English-speaking tourists. The white sand beaches lead to the port where excursions to the famous bay islands depart. There is close proximity to Pico Bonito National park, which provides the opportunity to mountain climb, hike, and study animals in the wildlife refuge and marine reserve. The highlight of this program is the included one-on-one classes, meaning you can focus on medical terminology, patient-doctor role-playing, or any other special interests or weaknesses. This program has become an instant hit with students looking for an inexpensive and flexible program.



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#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least High-Beginner Spanish
- Open to 1<sup>st</sup> year Medical Students and above

## MEXICO: Guanajuato – Group: 4 weeks

### Medical Terminology in Practice

Guanajuato is an extremely charming city; culturally very lively and possesses an energetic, youthful personality. This university town is an ideal place to immerse yourself in the language and culture of Mexico. The SALUD program is ideal for anyone needing a bit of a boost in the language in addition to participating in the medical visits and activities. In addition to the five hours a day of regular Spanish classes, SALUD participants will take 10 hours of private classes to focus on medical terminology. If you feel your language level is strong enough, you may be able to shorten the program to 2 weeks.



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#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least Low-Intermediate Spanish
- Open to 1<sup>st</sup> year Medical Students and above

## PERU: Cusco – Group: 4 weeks

### Overview of Clinical Settings in Peru

Legend asserts that Cusco was founded over 900 years ago. Though it has grown quite a bit since then, from above the shape still resembles the puma that the Incas designed. Visitors to Cusco can explore the former Inca capital's textile markets and colonial architecture. Set high in the Andes, near to the famed Machu Picchu, Cusco is one of our most popular SALUD programs. Year after year we send dozens of happy SALUD-ers to Cusco to practice their Spanish while discussing Peruvian healthcare issues and observing in hospitals. This program is well-organized and very high quality. Keep in mind that Cusco's elevation makes for chilly nights! Don't forget to pack warm pajamas.



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#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least High-Beginner Spanish
- Open to 1<sup>st</sup> year Medical Students and above



# & PORTUGUESE

## SPAIN: Barcelona – Group: 2-4 weeks

Barcelona, a city of 2 million, is literally bursting with art and culture. The colorful and intricate architecture created by the world famous Gaudi, the Gothic Neighborhood, and the pedestrian street Las Ramblas make this city a traveler and art lovers paradise. Located on the Mediterranean coast with mountains rising up behind it, Barcelona is the gateway from Spain to the rest of Europe. This program is for 2-6 weeks and includes: 25 group lessons of general Spanish classes per week; 5 hours of private or mini-group lessons per week for medical terminology; shared room with a host family; breakfast and dinner daily; and cultural activities. It is likely that there will be other SALUD participants.



### Introduction to Medical Terminology

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#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least Mid-Beginner Spanish
- Open to Pre-Medical Students and above, EMTs, Nurses, Nursing Students, Other Health Professionals

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## SPAIN: Pamplona – Independent: 3 weeks

Pamplona is a striking city set in the oft-overlooked (by tourists) Navarra region, on a hill overlooking the Arga River. As the capital of Navarra, it is an excellent hub for exploring other parts of the region. Since its founding more than 2000 years ago, Pamplona has alternately been occupied by Basques, (who called it Iruña or Iruñea), Romans, Visigoths and Moors. This gives it a fascinating mix of culture and historical architecture. With programs beginning conveniently just after the Running of the Bulls, this program is bound to be a thrilling cultural experience as well as informative on the Spanish healthcare system and medical terminology. Participate in the San Fermin festivities at your own risk!



### Medical Terminology in Practice

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#### REQUIREMENTS:

- At least Mid-Intermediate Spanish
- Open to Pre-Medical Students and above

## SPAIN: Salamanca – Group: 2-4 weeks

Known as “La Dorada,” or Golden City, for the glow of its sandstone buildings. It is one of the 5 Spanish cities declared by UNESCO as a “Mankind Heritage” site. The world’s second oldest university is here, boasting a student population of 30,000 (5,000 of whom are foreigners) that provides a lively atmosphere and nightlife. Enjoy concerts, lectures, and theater, or congregate in the famous Plaza Mayor. The Salamanca, Spain program is for 2-4 weeks and includes 25 group lessons of general Spanish classes per week; 5 hours of private or mini-group lessons per week for medical terminology; shared room with a host family; breakfast and dinner daily; and cultural activities. It is likely there will be other SALUD participants.



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#### REQUIREMENTS:

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# BUSINESS &

## BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL OVERVIEW

The world is a global marketplace and virtually every professional occupation involves one or more of the following: Foreign competitors, foreign clients, non-English speaking customers in the USA, intra-company foreign branches and/or inter-company collaboration with foreign companies. No matter what you are (or will be) doing professionally, your goal should be to speak more languages, understand more cultures and know how it works over there compared to where you are from. AmeriSpan's Business & Professional programs includes general language courses and may include: specialized vocabulary courses, additional specialized courses, cultural do's and don'ts, observational visits to specific institutions and/or some classroom practice and training. In addition, our Executive Intensive and Language for Professionals courses can be taught to a curriculum or syllabus which you provide. Past participants come from a variety of working backgrounds and business degrees including flight attendants, corporate executives, self-employed business owners, journalists, engineers, lawyers, government & military personnel and even food purveyors.

### Business Related Language Courses

Business Related language programs are courses designed to specialize in certain areas of doing business internationally. There are specific courses for banking, business, marketing and other topics. In addition, we offer several language for Specific Purposes courses which are customized to your specific business needs.

### Engineering and Technology Language Courses

Engineering & Technology language programs are courses designed to specialize in certain areas of science, engineering and technology.

### Executive Intensive Language Courses

Executive Intensive Language Programs of 6 or more hours a day of private classes. These classes mix general language courses with specific vocabulary geared to your specific needs. Some programs can arrange some activities or excursions targeted to reinforce your work in the classroom.

### Fashion Design & Architecture Language Courses

Fashion Design & Architecture Language Programs are courses designed to reinforce your language learning while introducing you to specific vocabulary.

### Government & Diplomacy Language Courses

Government & Diplomacy language programs are courses designed to improve your language skills and introduce vocabulary and etiquette needed for government work and diplomatic relations.

### Law and Law Enforcement Language Courses

Law and Law Enforcement language programs are courses designed to improve your language skills and introduce vocabulary utilized in the Legal or Law Enforcement fields. Law courses may have a higher emphasis on writing in your target language or include topical activities and excursions. Law Enforcement courses may include role-playing. Please note most Law & Law Enforcement language programs have specific start dates but you can usually start any Monday of the year if you are traveling with a group of 5 or more.

### Tourism & Hotel Management Language Courses

Tourism & Hotel Management language programs are courses designed to improve your language skills and introduce vocabulary and etiquette needed in the tourism industry.





# PROFESSIONAL

## ARABIC FOR DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

AMMAN, JORDAN

Diplomacy is a word commonly heard when referring to the current events in the Middle East. Jordan has a reputation for being one of the region's safest, most stable areas, making it a popular place for diplomatic discussions and education to occur. This program is suitable for Participants can develop vocabulary and master more formal terminology by observing diplomatic communications, examining various professional documents, and creating debates and formal speeches, all in a timetable and level that suits the individual participant's needs.



**Arabic Classes:** 20 hrs/wk private (Sun-Thu)  
**Minimum Arabic Level:** High-Beginner  
**Program Length:** 1+ weeks  
**Recommended For:** Students interested in a career in diplomacy or for professionals who already work in a variety of fields (ambassadors, officials from international organizations, etc)

## CHINESE FOR PROFESSIONALS

BEIJING, CHINA

Beijing is considered the political, cultural, and educational center of China, which makes it an ideal place to study the Chinese language. AmeriSpan's Chinese for Professionals program offers students and those already working in a variety of fields the opportunity to focus their language training on any area of interest. Utilizing a combination of group and private classes, participants will quickly advance in all aspects of the Chinese language. Private classes can be customized with specific vocabulary and common phrases.



**Chinese Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Specialized Classes:** 10 hrs/wk private  
**Minimum Chinese Level:** Mid-Beginner  
**Program Length:** 1+ weeks  
**Recommended For:** Works well for all fields & professions  
**Other:** Combination of group & private classes. Private classes can be customized to meet all needs.

## FRENCH FOR BUSINESS

PARIS, FRANCE

Meet other business people or business students who have a need to learn Business French in this program in Paris. The course combines general group French immersion with specialized workshops on Doing Business in French. It's a great opportunity to learn the language and network with other professionals in one of the most important international business centers in the world. We recommend that participants have at least a low-intermediate level of French proficiency to gain the most from this program.



**French Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Business Classes:** 12 hrs/wk mini-group (max 3)  
**Minimum French Level:** Mid-Intermediate  
**Program Length:** 1-4 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Businesspeople, managers, executives, professionals, business school students, etc.

## FRENCH FOR DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

BORDEAUX, FRANCE

France has long been in diplomatic power in Europe and students interested in a career in diplomacy or professionals in a variety of fields can use Bordeaux as their home to learn about the language as it relates to diplomacy. This program includes group classes in general French and private lessons. In the private lessons, participants can develop vocabulary and master more formal terminology by observing diplomatic communications, examining various professional documents, and creating formal speeches, all in a timetable and level that suits the individual participant's needs.



**French Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Specialized Classes:** 10 hrs/wk private  
**Minimum French Level:** High-Beginner  
**Program Length:** 2+ weeks  
**Recommended For:** Ambassadors, diplomats, international organizers, government agents, political science students

## FRENCH FOR LAW

PARIS, FRANCE

Paris has long been an International center for diplomatic relations and is an ideal location to study the French language in its legal contexts. Students and professionals who work or plan to work in the French-speaking legal world have the opportunity to develop their knowledge in various fields including labor law, business law, human rights, property law, etc. This one week course is approximately 30 hours and is divided between mornings in the classroom and afternoons spent visiting legal institutions and meeting with French legal experts.



**Legal French Classes:** 15 hrs/wk group  
**Legal Meetings & Field Trips:** 15 hrs/wk  
**Minimum French Level:** Low-Intermediate  
**Program Length:** 1 week  
**Recommended For:** Lawyers, international agents, judges, court officials, clerks and law students

# BUSINESS &

## FRENCH FOR PROFESSIONALS

PARIS, FRANCE

Paris is one of the most important business centers in the world. Our French for Professionals program offers professionals and students the opportunity to focus their language training on their specific area of interest by taking 6 hrs/day of intensive French lessons. Participants may customize their program with specific vocabulary and common phrases used in their specific professional area.

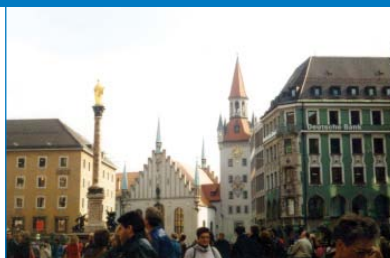


**French Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Specialized Classes:** 10 hrs/wk private  
**Minimum French Level:** None  
**Program Length:** 1+ weeks  
**Recommended For:** Those wishing to learn French for a specific purpose  
**Other:**

## GERMAN FOR BANKING

MUNICH, GERMANY

Germany has a vital banking tradition that dates back to the great Fugger money-lending empire in the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> centuries. Today the Deutsche Bank is the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest bank in the world. Banking professionals and students who need to learn German for professional purposes have the opportunity to become fully immersed in the German language within a Banking context. The course can be tailored to specific professional needs and starts any Monday, making it convenient for professionals on a tight schedule.

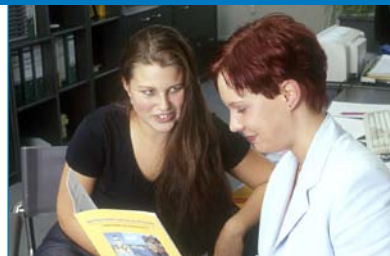


**German Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Banking Classes:** 6 hrs/wk mini-group (max 2)  
**Minimum German Level:** Mid-Beginner  
**Program Length:** 1-6 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Banking professionals, students  
**Other:** Bring specific materials you wish to cover

## GERMAN FOR BUSINESS

BERLIN, GERMANY

AmeriSpan's German for Business program offers professionals and business students the opportunity to become fully immersed in the German language while learning about "doing business in German and in Germany". Topics and themes include: the language of negotiations, conducting & attending presentations, business correspondence, making telephone calls, using & explaining graphics, diagrams & statistics, reading & writing memos, business letters & reports, and communicating in business meetings.



**German Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Business Communication Classes:** 10 hrs/wk private  
**Minimum German Level:** Low-Intermediate  
**Program Length:** 1+ weeks  
**Recommended For:** Professionals and business students who want to learn about business in Germany and the German language

## GERMAN FOR MARKETING

MUNICH, GERMANY

Germans professionals are generally thought of as hard working, forward thinking, creative, and educationally advanced. German car companies, for example, have had some of the most innovative marketing campaigns of any industry in the world. AmeriSpan's customizable German for Marketing program offers professionals and students the opportunity to immerse themselves in the German language, specifically commonly used marketing vocabulary and expressions.



**German Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Marketing Classes:** 6 hrs/wk mini-group (max 2)  
**Minimum German Level:** Mid-Beginner  
**Program Length:** 1-6 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Marketing professionals, students  
**Other Details:** Bring materials you wish to cover

## GERMAN FOR PROFESSIONALS

MUNICH, GERMANY

The German for Professionals program is ideal for executives and business people and who need to acquire a high command of the specialized German used in their field (advertising, public relations, diplomatic relations, etc.) in the shortest possible time. This course is also recommended to students or professionals who need to prepare for an important event: exam, professional meeting, or conference. Mini-groups classes can be customized to suit any field or specialty.



**German Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Specialized Classes:** 6 hrs/wk mini-group  
**Minimum German Level:** None  
**Program Length:** 1-6 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Professional and students from all fields of work and study  
**Other Details:** Classes can be customized to meet all needs



# PROFESSIONAL

## GERMAN FOR TECHNOLOGY

Germany has a long history as a global leader in Science and Technology. With the world's largest museum of technology and science and one of the top Universities in Germany specializing in Technology, Munich draws students and professionals from around the world to experience a wide variety of both modern and ancient technological advances. Professionals, students, and Techies of all sorts who need to learn the German language have the opportunity to customize their study through AmeriSpan's German for Technology program.



## MUNICH, GERMANY

**German Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Technology Classes:** 6 hrs/wk mini-group (max 2)  
**Minimum German Level:** Mid-Beginner  
**Program Length:** 1-6 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Technology professionals, students  
**Other:** Bring specific materials you wish to cover

## GERMAN FOR TOURISM

Packed with world-class museums, stunning architecture, lively festivals and markets, and famous food and drink, Munich is one of the most popular tourist destinations in all of Europe. AmeriSpan's German for Tourism program is designed to offer professionals and students the opportunity to explore specific German vocabulary and expressions used in the tourism industry. The program is offered to start any Monday and can be customized to meet the participants specific professional needs.



## MUNICH, GERMANY

**German Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Tourism Classes:** 6 hrs/wk mini-group (max 2)  
**Minimum German Level:** Mid-Beginner  
**Program Length:** 1-6 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Tour operators, travel agents, hotel/restaurant managers, students  
**Other:** Bring specific materials you wish to cover

## ITALIAN FOR ARCHITECTURE

Roman Architecture has certainly stood the test of time. Prototypical Roman arches, domes, and columns are still commonly used today. The Italian for Architecture program is designed for experts in the field who are interested in the language of law in Italian. After learning essential vocabulary and expressions, participants are encouraged to use their new skills through targeted exercises and discussions. Site visits to historic monuments and other architecturally significant buildings in Rome are included in the program.



## ROME, ITALY

**Italian Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Architecture Classes:** 10 hrs/wk private  
**Minimum Italian Level:** Mid-Intermediate  
**Program Length:** 2-4 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Professional architects, students, novices interested in learning about Italian architecture  
**Other:** Site visits throughout Rome included

## ITALIAN FOR BANKING

This course is designed for students who are interested in Italian banking language for reasons of work or study. The program aims to provide students with the basic vocabulary and professional expressions that are most often used. Topics are confronted using readings from manuals used in banking, as well as the analyzing forms and materials currently used in banks. After identifying the basic technical vocabulary and expressions, the student is helped to assimilate them through targeted exercises and discussions. On request guided visits to banks can be organized.



## ROME, ITALY

**Italian Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Banking Classes:** 10 hrs/wk private  
**Minimum Italian Level:** Mid-Intermediate  
**Program Length:** 2-4 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Banking professionals, students  
**Other:** Private classes can be customized towards different areas of banking

## ITALIAN FOR FASHION DESIGN

Milan has long been at the center of the fashion world and is an important part of the Italian economy and culture. Whether interested in fashion as a hobby or a profession, the Italian and Fashion program will foster familiarity with common vocabulary and expression in all participants. The program combines general group Italian classes with private lessons. The private classes can be customized to meet each participants interests. Topic covered can include fabric and fiber, sizes, labeling, shoes and leather, design and fashion show, distribution, and more.



## MILAN, ITALY

**Italian Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Specialized Classes:** 10 hrs/wk private  
**Minimum Italian Level:** Mid-Intermediate  
**Program Length:** 2-4 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Anyone interested in the world of fashion as a hobby or for professional reasons  
**Other:** Guided visits of shops, fashion producers, fashion museums, and designer studios can be arranged



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## ITALIAN FOR LAW

ROME, ITALY

Ancient Roman law had a profound influence on the legal system in most of continental Europe, Great Britain and North America. The Italian for Law program is designed for experts in the field of law who are interested in the language of law in Italian. The program focuses on different areas of law, aiming at providing students with the basic vocabulary and professional expressions that are most often used. This is done through a variety of analysis and the exploration of legal documents, contracts, court rulings, debates and presentations.



**Italian Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Law Classes:** 10 hrs/wk private  
**Minimum Italian Level:** Mid-Intermediate  
**Program Length:** 2-4 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Experienced lawyers of an international mix  
**Other:** Analyzing of court and legal documents and texts

## ITALIAN FOR PROFESSIONALS

FLORENCE, ITALY

Florence offers something for everyone. Its excellent food, beautiful Tuscan countryside, historic monuments, and relaxed atmosphere draw people from all over the world. AmeriSpan offers this specialized program for students and professionals who have a need to learn Italian for Professionals not currently offered through our other specialized programs. Examples include marketing, advertising or PR professionals or college students who need to fulfill specific language requirements. Based on your specific needs and time frame the course will be constructed by our highly-skilled program directors.



**Italian Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Specialized Classes:** 10 hrs/wk private  
**Minimum Italian Level:** Low-Beginner  
**Program Length:** Minimum of 2 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Anyone who needs to learn Italian quickly with a specific focus  
**Other:** Bring specific materials you wish to cover

## ITALIAN FOR TOURISM

FLORENCE, ITALY

This program is designed for students and professionals interested in common Italian vocabulary and expressions used in the hospitality and tourism industry. The program combines general Italian classes with private lessons allowing students to focus on an particular area. Students will have access to manuals used in vocational schools, advertising brochures, hotel forms, guide books, newspaper articles, and more. Upon request, guided visits can be arranged to hotels, travel agencies, and popular tourist attractions in Florence.

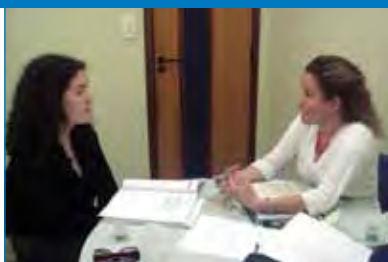


**Italian Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Tourism Classes:** 10 hrs/wk private  
**Minimum Italian Level:** Mid-Intermediate  
**Program Length:** 2-4 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Participants are from a variety of fields in tourism and hospitality  
**Other:** Work with common documents used in specific fields; Site visits arranged upon request

## PORTUGUESE FOR EXECUTIVES

RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL

Rio de Janeiro is known for its Carnival celebration, its beautiful beaches and its beautiful people. While the tourism industry has always played a key role in Brazil's economy, other industries such as autos and petroleum-related have contributed to make Brazil's economy one of the fastest growing in the world. This Executive Portuguese course is total immersion with 8 hours/day of class. You will even eat lunch with your instructor. Finally, we recommend choosing to live with a Brazilian family, as your Portuguese learning and understanding of Brazilian culture will be enhanced greatly.



**Specialized Portuguese Classes:** 40 hrs/wk private  
**Minimum Portuguese Level:** None  
**Program Length:** 1+ weeks  
**Recommended For:** Business professionals short on time that need to learn Portuguese quickly  
**Other:** Includes daily professional lunch. Bring specific materials you wish to cover

## PORTUGUESE FOR EXECUTIVES

SAO PAULO, BRAZIL

Sao Paulo is the world's 7<sup>th</sup> largest city and one of the biggest financial centers in the world. The city is unique among Brazilian cities for its large number of foreign corporations. While the tourism industry, autos and petroleum-related companies have contributed to make Brazil's economy one of the fastest growing in the world. This Executive Portuguese course is comprised of 6 hours/day of private instruction. You are able to customize the topics and content of the Portuguese course to meet your particular needs. To enhance your learning, we recommend choosing to live with a Brazilian family.



**Specialized Portuguese Classes:** 30 hrs/wk private  
**Minimum Spanish Level:** None  
**Program Length:** 1+ weeks  
**Recommended For:** Business professionals short on time that need to learn Portuguese quickly  
**Other:** Includes daily professional lunch. Bring specific materials you wish to cover



# PROFESSIONAL

## SPANISH FOR BUSINESS

Our Spanish for Business course in Argentina is designed for participants who want to increase their Spanish skills while learning business terminology. This Business Spanish course aims to improve your general Spanish language skills while introducing key vocabulary and other cultural information relevant to doing business in Argentina and elsewhere in Latin America. The course includes 20 hours/week of group Spanish lessons and 8 hours/week of mini-group Business Spanish classes which focus on business terminology and culture.



## CORDOBA, ARGENTINA

**Spanish Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Business Classes:** 8 hrs/wk minigroup  
**Minimum Spanish Level:** Low-Intermediate  
**Program Length:** 1-5 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Anyone who will be working, interning or volunteering with a company or organization in a Spanish-speaking country

## SPANISH FOR BUSINESS

Our Spanish for Business courses in Spain are geared towards students and business professionals who want to explore business-related topics in Spanish. If you want acquire the language skills necessary to communicate in business and legal situations, this is the perfect course for you. The course introduces business terminology and structures necessary to interact with clients and colleagues in Spanish. You will receive lists of specific business vocabulary and informative handouts dealing with the economic situations of Spain, Europe and Latin America. Optional Chamber of Commerce Exam.



## BARCELONA or MADRID, SPAIN

**Spanish Classes:** 10 hrs/wk group  
**Business Classes:** 10 hrs/wk group  
**Culture Classes:** 5 hrs/wk group  
**Minimum Spanish Level:** High-Intermediate  
**Program Length:** 2-4 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Business professionals  
**Other:** Prepares for Chamber of Commerce Exam

## SPANISH FOR ENGINEERING

The city of Pamplona has a strong engineering industry and excellent university programs that attract students from Spain and all over the world. This four-week Spanish for Engineering program offers professional engineers and engineering students the opportunity to become fully immersed in Spanish life and culture while improving their Spanish language skills with a focused emphasis on engineering vocabulary and terminology. In addition to the classes, participants will take part in site visits to nearby engineering facilities.



## PAMPLONA, SPAIN

**Engineering Spanish Classes:** 15 hrs/wk group  
**General Spanish Classes:** 10 hrs/wk group  
**Minimum Spanish Level:** Mid-Intermediate  
**Program Length:** 4 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Engineers & engineering students  
**Other:** Three engineering related feild-trips in Navarra

## SPANISH FOR EXECUTIVES

Buenos Aires is the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest metropolitan area in South America and its economy is amongst the top 15 metropolitan economies worldwide. The city is a key financial, industrial and commercial center for the continent, The port of Buenos Aires is one of the busiest in South America serving as a distribution hub for south-eastern South America. This Executive Spanish course is comprised of 6 hours/day of private instruction. You are able to customize the topics and content of the Spanish course to meet your particular needs We recommend choosing to live with an Argentinian family.



## BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA

**Specialized Spanish Classes:** 30 hrs/wk private  
**Minimum Spanish Level:** None  
**Program Length:** 1+ weeks  
**Recommended For:** Business professionals short on time that need to learn Spanish quickly  
**Other:** The professional atmosphere of this school is popular with many executives.





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## SPANISH FOR EXECUTIVES

Known as "The City of Eternal Spring," Cuernavaca is blessed with a perfect climate and flowers year-round. The city is located only about 50 miles south of Mexico City. Cuernavaca is a popular weekend spot for the affluent from the capital because of the many restaurants, sidewalk cafes, and theaters. This Executive Spanish course is comprised of 8 hours/day of private instruction. You are able to customize the topics and content of the Spanish course to meet your particular needs. We recommend choosing to live with a Mexican family which includes a private room and 3 meals/day.



## CUERNAVACA, MEXICO

**Specialized Spanish Classes:** 40 hrs/wk private

**Minimum Spanish Level:** None

**Program Length:** 1+ weeks

**Recommended For:** Business professionals short on time that need to learn Spanish quickly

**Other:** Weekend immersion option, site visits to local companies, bring specific materials you wish to cover

## SPANISH FOR INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

This course targets business students looking to improve their Spanish while being introduced to the normal practices of business and trade in Costa Rica and Latin America. This four-week summer program prepares participants linguistically in the four communicative skills (speaking, listening, writing & reading) through reading, research, oral presentations and written reports. Themes & topics include the Latin American market and free trade agreements, the economy of Costa Rica, types of companies and markets, transnational corporations, state and private banking, offers and job applications, labor law and much more.



## ALAJUELA, COSTA RICA

**Specialized Spanish Classes:** 40 hrs/wk private

**Minimum Spanish Level:** Mid-Intermediate

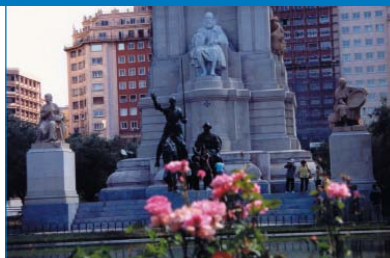
**Program Length:** 2-4 weeks

**Recommended For:** Business students interested in business and trade in Costa Rica and Latin America

**Other:** An important component of the program will be field trips and three independent research missions

## SPANISH FOR LAW

With the number of Spanish-speakers in America increasing at a rapid rate, Spanish language skills have become vital to a practicing lawyer today. By learning or improving Spanish, lawyers will open themselves up to more clients and services. The benefits of speaking Spanish are obvious for a lawyer handling various day-to-day cases as well as those with specialties such as immigration and labor. This course includes group Spanish classes to improve overall general speaking skills and private classes focusing on vocabulary and phrases commonly used in the legal practices.



## BARCELONA or MADRID, SPAIN

**Spanish Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group

**Law Classes:** 10 hrs/wk group

**Minimum Spanish Level:** Mid-Beginner

**Program Length:** 2-4 weeks

**Recommended For:** Lawyers, judges, court officials, clerks, law students

**Other:** Private classes can be tailored to students' individual legal specialties and interests.

## SPANISH FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT

Police Spanish, Spanish for Law Enforcement and understanding Latin American culture are an important part of a successful and productive police force in today's society. This means more than just learning to speak Spanish. Police must learn to read between the lines, understand the nuances of high-stress communication, and learn how to diffuse situations with competent and culturally sensitive Spanish language skills. Students will take a combination of general Spanish in small group classes and mini-group or private classes that focus on relevant vocabulary and common expressions that they may use on a day-to-day basis at work.



## HEREDIA, COSTA RICA

**Spanish Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group

**Law Enforcement Classes:** 10 hrs/wk mini-group or private

**Minimum Spanish Level:** High-Beginner

**Program Length:** 1-4 weeks

**Recommended For:** Police, Fire, EMS, border control, 911 dispatchers, corrections officers

**Other:** Bring specific materials you wish to cover





# PROFESSIONAL

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## OAXACA or PLAYA DEL CARMEN, MEXICO

**Spanish Classes:** 15 hrs/wk group  
**Law Enforcement Classes:** 10 hrs/wk private  
**Minimum Spanish Level:** Mid-Beginner  
**Program Length:** 2-4 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Police, Fire, EMS, border control, 911 dispatchers, corrections officers  
**Other:** Learn relevant vocabulary and common expressions for use on a day-to-day basis at work

## SPANISH FOR MARKETING

The Spanish tourism industry has experienced an incredible boom in the past years, largely as a result of a strong, focused marketing campaign. Salamanca is a lively city and an ideal location for Marketing professionals and students to get their creative juices flowing while improving their Spanish language skills. AmeriSpan's specialized Spanish for Marketing program aims to introduce key vocabulary and common expressions used in the Spanish marketing world. Students have the opportunity to customize their program to fit their specific professional needs in a time-frame that fits their schedule.



## SALAMANCA, SPAIN

**Spanish Classes:** 10 hrs/wk group  
**Specialized Spanish Classes:** 10 hrs/wk private  
**Culture Training:** 5 hrs/wk group  
**Minimum Spanish Level:** Mid-Beginner  
**Program Length:** 1-4 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Business Professionals mainly from Northern Europe and North America

## SPANISH FOR PROFESSIONALS

Spanish is the world's 3<sup>rd</sup> most spoken language and is needed in so many professions. Our Spanish for Professionals program offers professionals and students the opportunity to focus their language training on their specific area of interest by taking Spanish lessons in a mini-group of no more than 4 students plus daily specialized private lessons. Lunch with the professor is also included during 1 hour of the private classes to help participants become comfortable during a business lunch. Participants may customize their program with specific vocabulary and common phrases used in their specific professional area.



## GUANAJUATO, MEXICO

**Spanish Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group (max 4)  
**Specialized Spanish Classes:** 10 hrs/wk private  
**Minimum Spanish Level:** Mid-Intermediate  
**Program Length:** 1-4 weeks  
**Recommended For:** A mix of professionals & students looking to learn Spanish for professional purposes  
**Other:** Lunch with the professor is included

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## SPANISH FOR TOURISM

Granada's location in the beautiful Sierra Nevada Mountains, coupled with its extraordinary history, its incredible Moorish architecture (especially the Alhambra castle), and its active nightlife make it one of Spain's biggest tourist destinations. It also makes it an ideal place to learn the Spanish language as it relates to the Tourism industry. AmeriSpan's intensive Spanish for Tourism program aims to familiarize Tourism Industry Professionals and students with common vocabulary and expressions used in Spanish Tourism through the analysis of various PR/marketing materials as well as through site visits and guest speakers.



## GRANADA, SPAIN

**Spanish Classes:** 20 hrs/wk group  
**Tourism Classes:** 10 hrs/wk groups  
**Minimum Spanish Level:** Mid-Intermediate  
**Program Length:** 1-4 weeks  
**Recommended For:** Tour operators, travel agents, hotel/restaurant managers, students  
**Other:** Internship options

# PROGRAMS FOR

What are

## EDUCATOR programs?

Educator programs are language immersion programs for teachers, educators and administrators who work with students speaking many languages.

The programs are split into three categories: *Educator and Teacher Programs*, *Programs for Language Teachers*, and *Exam Preparation Courses*. Each prepares participants to interact with their target audience, whether it is students, parents, faculty, or co-workers and bosses.

### Requirements

Each program is designed with a specific goal in mind, causing each to have different requirements to participate.

- **Educator and Teacher Programs** are for school employees wishing to learn Spanish and culture to help them in their school and classrooms. These programs do not have a minimum language requirement; though AmeriSpan suggests you do not enter as a complete beginner. Some knowledge of Spanish will allow you to fully benefit from the program and its activities.
- **Programs for Language Teachers** were created for those who teach the program's target language to students. Because all activities, lectures, and classes will all be taught in the target language, participants are expected to have a working level of the language. The specific level varies by program, but ranges from Intermediate to Advanced level. Some programs will require that you send proof of your teaching qualifications, information regarding your current or most recent employer, and/or a telephone interview to verify your language level.
- **The Yucatan Spanish Institute** is open to anyone, not only educators, with an interest in Mexican and Mayan history and literature. Because this program is taught entirely in Spanish, it requires an advanced language level.
- **Exam Preparation Courses** are available at many levels beginning with high beginner and ending with full native-like proficiency. Each language sets its own tests and levels, so requirements will vary. Participants are responsible for registering for the accurate level exam.

### Types of Educator Programs

**Educators and Teachers:** The Educator and Teacher Programs include AmeriSpan's signature program, the MAESTRO Spanish for Educators Program. They are all specifically designed for current and future educators who are looking to learn about the Spanish language and culture in order to facilitate effective communication between themselves and the growing community LEP (Limited English Proficient) students and parents. These programs offer a unique opportunity to learn about teacher-student and parent-teacher relationships as well as the education system in Latin America in the context of learning Spanish. Participants will be exposed to a variety of educational settings and will have the opportunity to meet with local teachers and administrators. These programs are open to all educators, regardless of current language level and teaching position.

**Language Teachers:** Offered in four languages, these programs are designed for non-native foreign language teachers wishing to advance their teaching techniques in an immersion program. Teachers of French, German, Italian, and Spanish can take part in workshops, lectures, activities, and classroom observations with native language teachers who have had years of experience teaching their language to foreigners. Courses are designed to provide teachers with suggestions and fresh ideas that can be put into practice when returning home.

**Yucatan Spanish Institute:** This special summer immersion program is a seminar course focusing on Mayan history, literature, and culture. The program also includes activities and lectures to help participants bring what they learned back into the classroom. Though not exclusively for teachers, the majority of participants in this program are educators and those interested in history.

**Exam Preparation Courses:** Many languages have an official exam certifying language proficiency. These exams are often recognized by companies, government organizations, and educational institutions and are beneficial in obtaining work or entrance into school in a non-English speaking country. AmeriSpan's preparation courses are available in 7 languages. They are designed to help students get ready for the test and are timed to conclude right before the exam.

### Earning Continuing Education Units

Some of AmeriSpan's past participants have been able to receive Continuing Education Units for their participation in our Educator Programs. Because each state, district, and school has different regulations, we recommend that participants check directly with their state's department of education and a school district administrator to see if the program is eligible. If your district or administrator requires a syllabus or course description, AmeriSpan will be happy provide that for you.

### Discounts for Teachers

AmeriSpan understands the hard work and dedication teachers put into their students, lessons, and classrooms during the school year. To show our appreciation, AmeriSpan offers year-round discounts to educators. If you are a teacher or employed by an academic institution, you and your travel companion are eligible to receive 10% off any preexisting program when you travel together. This includes traveling with your spouse, other family member, friend, or co-worker.

In addition, by forming a group program for 8 or more, AmeriSpan is able to customize excursions and activities to meet the specific requirements of your participants. We can also arrange airfare and other services unavailable to individual participants. With groups of 8 or more participants, the group's leader will travel free.

### Daily and Weekly Schedule

AmeriSpan recognizes that the summer is a teacher's time for personal vacation and time away from the classroom. Therefore, we know many teachers do not want to spend their entire trip trapped in a classroom. Participants want to also see and experience the country in which they are studying.

In the Educator and Teacher programs, activities and excursions are built into the program. Each day participants will have an education-based activity to supplement classroom learning. Some will be on the language school's campus and others will be at a local school or cultural point of interest. Participants should expect a full day with morning classes and afternoon activities lasting until around dinnertime. There is usually a mid-afternoon break for lunch and relaxation. These programs also include at least 1 weekend excursion.

The Programs for Language Teachers and Exam Preparation Courses are much more intensive. Language teachers will spend most of the day in the classroom learning from and observing the school's staff. Daily schedules vary by location; on average students spend 4 – 6 hours per day in activities, lectures, observations, and language classes. Exam Preparation Courses include 4-6 hours a day of small group or private instruction at an intensive level to ensure participants receive the most amount of preparation possible.





# EDUCATORS

## FRENCH TEACHERS

With three summer start dates, French teachers will have multiple opportunities to participate in this special program. The course includes 24 lessons each week in group language classes, lectures, and activities. Here non-native French teachers and education students will review their language skills and be brought up-to-date on linguistic, methodological and cultural changes in France. They will do so by tracing the social and cultural evolutions of contemporary France. Only a few steps away from the central square, teachers can take a much-deserved break after a full day of studying at one of many fountains, sidewalk cafes on tree-lined streets or open-air markets.



## AIX-EN-PROVENCE, FRANCE

### PROGRAM DETAILS:

**Minimum French Level:** High Intermediate

**Program Length:** 2 or 3 weeks

**Recommended for:** Non-native French teachers, education students

### PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- French language classes
- Direct classroom observation
- Teaching methodology update
- Current events discussions
- Local teaching customs

## GERMAN TEACHERS

Vienna has long been known for his exceptional cultural and educational institutions. As Austria's capital, it is packed with museums, art galleries, and historical sites making it the perfect destination for an educator. This program for German Teachers combines German language classes and cultural activities to better understand the ways on the German-speaking world. Learning the latest geographical, political and literary developments in Austria and the German-speaking world will allow teachers to bring the latest materials back to their students. Teachers will share past experiences with others in their field to enrich their classroom practices.



## VIENNA, AUSTRIA

### PROGRAM DETAILS:

**Minimum German Level:** High Intermediate

**Program Length:** 2 weeks

**Recommended for:** Non-native German teachers, education students

### PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- German language classes
- Austrian cultural program
- Teaching methodology update
- Current events discussions
- Local teaching customs

## ITALIAN TEACHERS

AmeriSpan's 2-week programs for Italian teachers offer non-native teachers and education students with an advanced language level the opportunity to study in Italy's best know cities, Rome and Florence. In the program, Italian teachers will spend 35 hours each week learning new methodologies and techniques and will then put the new information to practice with classroom observations and 'student' teaching. With some of history's most important landmarks and art's most renowned pieces at their doorstep, teachers will have ample opportunity to put their language skills to use outside the classroom.



## FLORENCE & ROME, ITALY

### PROGRAM DETAILS:

**Minimum Italian Level:** Low Advanced

**Program Length:** 2 weeks

**Recommended for:** Italian teachers, education students

### PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- Direct classroom observation
- Student teaching hours
- Teaching methodology update
- In-class skills & practicum
- Teaching materials update

## SPANISH TEACHERS

Guanajuato, Mexico is an excellent place for Spanish teachers and education students to gain hands on experience with the Latin American culture and education system. With an extensive history and active population, Guanajuato has developed into an artistic and cultural mecca. Here teachers can spend two weeks focused on improving teaching techniques while enjoying the invaluable cultural experience. Educators will participate in daily classroom observation, lectures, and workshops entirely in Spanish to support the development of their profession, inside and outside the classroom.



## GUANAJUATO, MEXICO

### PROGRAM DETAILS:

**Minimum Spanish Level:** Low Advanced

**Program Length:** 2 weeks

**Recommended for:** Spanish teachers, education students

### PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- Linguistic theory
- Direct classroom observation
- Teaching methodology update
- Local teaching customs
- Student presentations
- Teaching materials update



# PROGRAMS FOR

## SPANISH TEACHERS (1<sup>st</sup> Choice)

Spanish is the world's 3<sup>rd</sup> most spoken language and there is a need for qualified Spanish Teachers. These programs offered through AmeriSpan's 1<sup>st</sup> Choice schools in Spain include daily classroom observation, lectures, and workshops taught entirely in Spanish with the purpose of exposing teachers to new methods and techniques to be used in the classroom while offering a broad cultural immersion experience in these lively, diverse, culturally rich cities. These programs will enrich participants' knowledge of Spain and the Spanish language through discussions on history and current events. Teachers will spend their days exploring Spanish culture and the Spanish education system.



## BARCELONA, MADRID, or SALAMANCA, SPAIN

### PROGRAM DETAILS:

**Minimum Spanish Level:** High-Intermediate

**Program Length:** 2 weeks

**Recommended for:** Spanish teachers, education students

### PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- Linguistic theory
- Direct classroom observation
- Teaching methodology update
- Current events discussions
- Teaching materials update

## SPANISH TEACHERS (Budget-Friendly)

As Spain's capital, Madrid offers some of the best museums in the world, various neighborhoods with their own distinct flavor, and all the conveniences of a large city. One of the most diverse and cosmopolitan cities in Spain, Madrid is an ideal location for teachers to immerse themselves. This program combines daily lectures, workshops, and classroom observations to improve participants' teaching techniques and to help teachers employ new, innovative methods for language instruction in their home classrooms. Taught entirely in Spanish, this program allows Spanish teachers and education students a chance to update their knowledge of the language, methods, and culture to stay on top at their school.



## MADRID, SPAIN

### PROGRAM DETAILS:

**Minimum Spanish Level:** High-Intermediate

**Program Length:** 2-4 weeks

**Recommended for:** Spanish teachers, education students

### PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- Linguistic theory
- Spanish cultural program
- Teaching methodology update
- Current events discussions
- Teaching materials update

## YUCATAN SPANISH INSTITUTE

Merida has long been the social and economic center of the Yucatan, making it the ideal base for this cultural studies program. In the Yucatan Spanish Institute, participants will explore Mayan history, Latin American literature, and traditions and legends of Mexico and Latin America through both in class lectures and site-visits throughout the ancient Yucatan Peninsula. Some highlights include Mayan Economics, Pre-Columbian History, Formation of the Modern Spanish Language, Mayan Technology, Religion, Intellectual Independence, and Post Modernism. Taught entirely in Spanish, this program will please any history or cultural enthusiast.



## MERIDA, MEXICO

### PROGRAM DETAILS:

**Minimum Spanish Level:** Low Advanced

**Program Length:** 2, 3, or 4 weeks

**Recommended for:** Teachers, students, and history enthusiasts with an advanced language level

### PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- Lectures on Mayan history, literature, local traditions & legends
- Presentations by known authors & authorities
- Cultural visits & excursions

## MAESTRO SPANISH FOR EDUCATORS

Set on a lush hillside on the outskirts of Alajuela town, this school provides the perfect setting for educators to relax after a long school year. As AmeriSpan's longest running educator program, this MAESTRO program teaches Spanish and culture in order to facilitate effective communication with the growing community of native Spanish-speaking students and their parents. Each day participants will have 4 hours of Spanish instruction in the morning and an education based cultural activity, lecture, or visit in the afternoon. Participants will be exposed to a variety of cultural settings and will have the opportunity to meet with local teachers.



## ALAJUELA, COSTA RICA

### PROGRAM DETAILS:

**Minimum Spanish Level:** All levels

**Program Length:** 2 week minimum

**Recommended for:** All teachers who work with Spanish-speaking students & parents, academic faculty, administration & education students

### PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- Spanish language classes
- Visits with local teachers/schools
- Cultural visits & excursions
- Local teaching customs



# EDUCATORS

## MAESTRO SPANISH FOR EDUCATORS

Open to all teachers, faculty, administration, staff, and education students, the MAESTRO program in Cuernavaca has been designed to enhance the way participants interact with their students and parents. In this program, educators of all disciplines will have the opportunity to dramatically increase their ability to successfully communicate with the Spanish-speaking school population. They will also gain valuable first hand experience with Latin American culture and customs through after-class activities, field visits, and classroom exercises. While learning, participants can enjoy Cuernavaca's many museums, restaurants, theaters, and cafes in the year-round spring-like weather.



## CUERNAVACA, MEXICO

### PROGRAM DETAILS:

**Minimum Spanish Level:** All levels

**Program Length:** 2 week minimum

**Recommended for:** All teachers who work with Spanish-speaking students & parents, academic faculty, administration & education students

### PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- Spanish language classes
- Cultural visits & excursions
- Teaching terminology class

## MAESTRO SPANISH FOR EDUCATORS

Located on the Pacific coast of Mexico, La Manzanilla is a charming Mexican village that can offer teachers respite after a long school year. It is a village of just over 1,500 residents and has been a well-kept secret for many years. This has allowed the town to preserve its authentic appeal while also welcoming visitors from other countries and traditions. Each day, participants will take daily Spanish language classes as well as classes on various topics in Education. Visits to cultural points of interest and cultural activities are included in the program. Teachers will also have time to relax on the beach, mingle with other teachers, and rest in accommodations at a local seaside villa.



## LA MANZANILLA, MEXICO

### PROGRAM DETAILS:

**Minimum Spanish Level:** All levels

**Program Length:** 2 weeks

**Recommended for:** All teachers, academic faculty, administration, and those studying to be an educator

### PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- Spanish language classes
- Cultural visits & excursions
- Teaching terminology class
- Local teaching customs

## EXAM PREPARATION COURSES

In many countries, the Ministry of Education or governing body issues an official certificate verifying a person's language level. These certificates are often recognized worldwide by private companies, chambers of commerce, and public and private educational systems. Whether seeking to advance a career at home, find a new job in a foreign country, attend a foreign university, or want a certificate stating language skills, one may consider sitting for a certificate.

AmeriSpan's programs offer participants the opportunity to prepare for the level exam they desire to take. Preparation courses are intensive and require dedication. They are often timed to conclude right before the test date. Teachers will use a variety of methods to help students get ready. These may include working with older versions of the exam, mimicking real-life situations, reviewing politics, culture, and socially relevant information, learning test taking strategies and examination drills. Exam preparation will cover all linguistic skills: Reading Comprehension, Written Expression, Grammar, Vocabulary, Auditory Comprehension, and Oral Expression. Some programs include the exam in the preparation course; while at other locations, onsite staff will help participants register for the exam.



## LOCATIONS VARY BY LANGUAGE

### PROGRAM DETAILS:

**Language Levels:** Beginner, Intermediate & Advanced

**Program Length:** 2 week minimum, maximum varies by location

**Recommended for:** Anyone wishing to certify language proficiency

### LANGUAGES & EXAMS AVAILABLE:

- Spanish: DELE
- Chinese (Mandarin): HSK
- German: TestDaF and Goethe Exam
- French: DELF/DALF and TCF/TEF
- Italian: Firenze AIL
- Portuguese (Brazilian): CELPE-Bras
- Russian: TORFL

*"The program was very good and provided me with lots of new tools for the coming school year. I have always traveled abroad with AmeriSpan and everything has always been fine."*

— David P. K., Teacher

# PROGRAM PARTICULARS

***Please read the following carefully. This will insure an efficient registration process and avoid any misunderstandings.***

## ENROLLMENT & PAYMENT

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All payments may be made with personal check (preferred method!), money order, VISA, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover.

## ADDITIONAL APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

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## REGISTRATION PROCESS

Within 2-3 weeks of receiving your application, AmeriSpan will send you the "Need-To-Know" country fact sheets and a confirmation letter. The fact sheets contain some tips about things to bring, getting there, climate, cultural differences, money, visas, etc. The confirmation letter will include school particulars, summary of charges, accommodation details, and any other important information.

Your final confirmation is only sent after AmeriSpan receives your full payment and all other necessary information, such as airline arrival particulars. Check these confirmations carefully to make sure that everything is correct. If there is an error, call us immediately. NEVER purchase a non-refundable or non-cancelable airline ticket before you have been confirmed by AmeriSpan.

## MAKING CHANGES

You may change your start date at any time. All changes within 2 wks of the scheduled start date are subject to an additional \$50 fee. If you have begun a multi-country/city program, you may NOT cancel or substitute locations but you may be able to change the start dates for a \$50 fee.

## REFUND POLICIES

(excluding Alajuela, Costa Rica; Amman, Jordan; and Santiago, Chile)

For all programs listed in this catalog, excluding Alajuela and Amman, you are entitled to a full refund, including the \$100 registration fee, when you cancel more than two weeks before your start date. If you cancel with less than 2 weeks notice you will be billed for 25% of the program cost and the full registration fee. Once any AmeriSpan program has begun no refund will be issued. If you combine two or more sites to create a multi-country/city program, no money will be refunded once the first program has begun. If you cancel a program due to a personal emergency and you notify AmeriSpan in writing, we will review your claim and may issue a partial credit. For details on Alajuela & Amman, please see Terms & Conditions, page 26.

**For all programs, flight packages are never refundable.**

## LOCAL HOLIDAYS

Classes canceled in honor local holidays will not be made up and are not subject to any refund.

## REDUCTION OF HOURS

At some group programs, if there are not enough other students at your Spanish level, your hours may be reduced. The same amount of material will be covered with private instruction or 2 to 1 instruction.

## CLASS HOURS & SCHEDULES

Classes are scheduled either in the morning, the afternoon, or the morning and the afternoon. AmeriSpan CANNOT guarantee specific scheduling requests. Scheduling is set by each individual partner school and may be affected by the program that you select, your Spanish level and/or the time of year that you are participating.

## TEXTBOOKS & MATERIALS

Each school handles this differently and policies change frequently. At some programs you will be required to purchase all your books. At other programs you are not required to purchase the books but may be required to make a deposit that will be refunded when the textbook is returned. In some cases, participants studying for a month or longer may finish their first book and need to buy an additional book on site.

## DEPOSITS & ON-SITE CHARGES

While participating in this program, you may be responsible for paying additional funds related to your own actions while on-site. Some schools will collect deposits upon your arrival while others will collect only if you incur these charges. Typical extra charges can include but are not limited to: lost keys, property damage, overstaying in your lodging, hosting overnight guests in your lodging, and lost books.

## SATISFACTION GUARANTEE

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Within 3 weeks, we will issue you a coupon for one week of group language classes (does not include lodging) at the same program or any of our other programs teaching the same language. You may use this free week of classes at any time in the future.

## COMPANIONS OF PARTICIPANTS

In most programs, children, spouses, and friends may accompany participants and live in the same lodging. Please check with us beforehand to verify if this option is possible in your location of choice. Homestay prices for companions vary for each program.

## BEHAVIORAL EXPECTATIONS

Participants are expected to be courteous and respectful guests. Illegal drug use, abusive behavior at any age, or alcoholic consumption by minors cannot be tolerated. AmeriSpan reserves the right to refuse to serve, to cancel and/or terminate participation for any person who fails to comply with the policies of the program provider (e.g. school, tour operator, program organizer), or for any other reason deemed necessary, in the sole discretion of AmeriSpan. AmeriSpan further reserves the right, without escort and without refund, to send home any participant who violates the rules stated above. The return trip will be at the expense of the participant or the participant's family.



# Professional Development Application Form

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E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Sex: Male/Female Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer/School: \_\_\_\_\_

Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_ Passport No.: \_\_\_\_\_ How you heard about us: \_\_\_\_\_

Please List the Name(s) of Any Especially Helpful AmeriSpan Staff Member(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact (name & telephone): \_\_\_\_\_

Target Language? \_\_\_\_\_ Level: Zero/Beginner/Intermediate/Advanced Low/Mid/High (www.amerispan.com/level)

Language Level Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Educational Background (what year, what degree pursuing, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a specialty/or particular area of interest? \_\_\_\_\_

State your expectations (ex. improve specific vocabulary, learn about culture, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Program Type (Circle one): Medical/Business & Professional/Teacher & Educator Program Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Location (City & Country): \_\_\_\_\_ Weeks: \_\_\_\_\_ Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_ End Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Airport Pick-up: Yes/No Arrival Date/Time/Airline & Flight # (if available, we recommend waiting until confirmed): \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like a study abroad airfare specialist to send you an airfare quote? Yes/No

Lodging: Homestay/Apartment/Residence/Dorm/None Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_ End Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Room: Private/Shared

Companion?: Yes/No (name: \_\_\_\_\_) Same Lodging? Yes/No Same Room?: Yes/No Same Bed?: Yes/No

## HOMESTAY REQUESTS

Rank	Host Family Requests	Yes	No	Either
	Children			
	Smokers			

Please note that we do our best with homestay requests but we can't guarantee  
Please rank your requests in the order of importance.

	Special Dietary Needs:
	Allergies:
	Anything Else:

## PROGRAM COSTS

Registration Fee (in addition to program cost) Please note \$200 due if registering for Alajuela, Costa Rica or Santiago, Chile	\$100 or \$200
Program (separate applications if combining different programs)	
Airport Pick-up, if offered (yes/no)	
Other (late fee, extra homestay days, excursions, private room upgrade, etc.):	
<b>TOTAL COST</b>	

Check/Visa/MC/AMEX/Discover # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CCV/CCV2: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

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PLEASE MAKE SURE TO SIGN THE BOTTOM OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS & INCLUDE RESUME FOR MEDICAL PROGRAMS

# Professional Development Programs Terms & Conditions

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## Refund Policies (Except Alajuela, Costa Rica; Amman, Jordan; and Santiago, Chile)

The one-time registration fee (\$100) and all other monies paid to AmeriSpan is fully refundable for any reason up to 2 weeks prior to your scheduled arrival date. If you cancel with less than 2 weeks notice you will receive a refund (excluding registration fee) less a 25% penalty. **You will be entitled to no refund after the program starts.** If you combine two or more sites to create a multi-country/city program, no money will be refunded once the first program has begun. If you cancel a program due to a personal emergency and you notify AmeriSpan in writing, we will review your claim and may be able to issue a partial refund.

The above refund policy is exactly the same in cases of cancellation due to war, terrorism or similar cases. Programs can get canceled and/or changed, AmeriSpan is not responsible for these changes. AmeriSpan reserves the right to substitute comparable programs or refund tuition. AmeriSpan's liability is limited to all money paid for the program.

Classes canceled in honor of local holidays will not be made up and are not subject to any refund.

**For all programs, flight packages are never refundable.**

## Refund Policy for Alajuela, Costa Rica and Santiago, Chile

The one-time registration fee (\$200) is not refundable for any reason. Please note application will not be processed unless \$200 non-refundable fee is paid in full with registration. If you cancel with less than 2 weeks notice you will receive a refund (excluding \$200 registration fee) less a 25% penalty. **You will be entitled to no refund after the program starts.** For all programs, flight packages are never refundable.

## Refund Policy for Amman, Jordan

The one-time registration fee (\$100) is not refundable for any reason. If you cancel with less than 4 weeks notice you will receive a refund (excluding registration fee) less a 50% penalty. **You will be entitled to no refund after the program starts.** For all programs, flight packages are never refundable.

## Making changes

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## 110% Price Guarantee

For purposes of invoking the 110% Price Guarantee, the other program's price needs to be at least \$10 less than AmeriSpan's published price AND the program needs to be comparable to AmeriSpan's program. For complete details refer to: [http://www.amerispan.com/triple\\_guarantee.asp](http://www.amerispan.com/triple_guarantee.asp)

## Liability

While participating in this program, you may be exposed to certain risks. These exposures include, but are not limited to accident and/or sickness without readily available medical facilities, the forces of nature, travel in the air, travel on the ground, terrorism, and war. By signing this form you are assuming all these risks and agreeing to indemnify AmeriSpan, their officers, owners, directors, and employees harmless for any and all liability that may arise in connection with your participation. AmeriSpan cannot take responsibility for participants' behavior and potential consequences.

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## Behavioral Expectations

AmeriSpan's programs are geared toward adults. AmeriSpan cannot be responsible for providing supervision of any kind either through the schools or through the homestay families. Although many programs have options for students under the age of 16, no one under the age of 16, will be accepted into the program unless accompanied by an adult (exceptions made for special, supervised Teen Programs and Camps during the summer). In addition to the parent's signature on the front of the application, additional waivers may apply.

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## Requirements and Hands-on Clinical Observation for the Medical Programs

AmeriSpan has set some requirements (including Spanish level and background) to help you get the most out of your program. While we do our best with specialty area requests, we cannot guarantee an opportunity to observe or work exclusively in that field. However, you will be exposed to several medical situations through the service learning, lectures, and on-site visits and if you meet the requirements, you should be able to participate in the clinical observation. Not all locations offer hands-on experience. You will not be participating in surgeries.

**I have read and agree with all the Terms & Conditions on this application.**

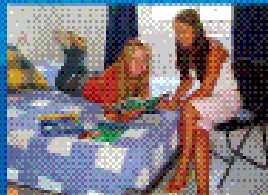
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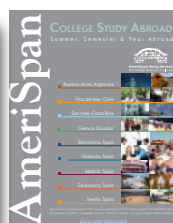
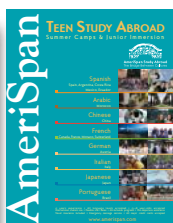
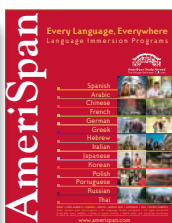
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– Carrie C., Medical Student, Guatemala

"A very good, well organized and professional language school, appears not necessarily to be a very expensive one. Although 8 hrs/day private lessons was quite intensive, it was not even for a minute boring and I really enjoyed it."

– Robert H., Export Manager, Costa Rica

"Each instructor that I had has been wonderful. Amerispan does an excellent job accommodating all requests. I will use Amerispan services again."

– Annette W., Engineer, Argentina

"The information on the website was informative and made me feel comfortable entrusting in AmeriSpan's services. The program was wonderful. I wished I could have stayed for a longer period of time."

– Wendy L., Teacher's Aide, Costa Rica

"The teachers were wonderful. They used best practices in instruction, so although they were teaching in a 2<sup>nd</sup> language for me I had little trouble learning."


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