



don Quijote
SPANISH LANGUAGE LEARNING

LEARNING SPANISH

IN SPAIN & LATIN AMERICA

since 1986

Premium Spanish Schools

QUALITY | INNOVATION | PARTNERSHIP



CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

At don Quijote we believe that learning a language is so much more than just grammar and memorization. In order to master non-verbal communication as well as oral communication it is necessary to have a solid understanding of the culture. In order to achieve this, don Quijote offers complementary theoretical and practical courses and workshops in order to introduce students to a wide range of cultural activities and situations. These cultural lessons may include movies, writing, specific discussions about communication topics, and other cultural activities such as singing or dancing.

don Quijote also organizes weekend excursions to surrounding cities and attractions that vary by school and location. Additionally, the school organizes language exchanges called "intercambios" between students and native speakers to practice language skills outside the classroom.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

Upon finishing a course, students who have attended at least 85 of their classes will receive a certificate detailing the course duration, subjects, hours and course level. Students from the United States will receive results adapted to the American grading system.

OUR SYLLABUS

Due to the dynamic aspect of our programs syllabi are available in our website or upon request

ALL LEVELS

What you learn and how fast you learn it strongly depends on you. If you attend and participate actively in the classes, take our free complementary courses, dedicate approximately one hour daily outside the classroom to do your homework, get together with native speakers, and join the activities and excursions we organize, you can be sure that your Spanish will greatly improve!

We offer 6 basic levels in accordance with the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. don Quijote guarantees continuity within the levels so that you can have a seamless learning experience with no interruption.

BEGINNER A1 (101)

Designed to develop ability and confidence in basic Spanish communication. Gain confidence in daily environments and learn to interact with native speakers.

BEGINNER A2 (102)

Develop the ability to maintain a simple conversation in familiar environments and daily situations, expressing ideas in the present, past and future tenses.

INTERMEDIATE B1 (201-202)

Gain communicative ability and linguistic competency. Engage in conversations about common topics.

ADVANCED B2 (301-302)

Gain the necessary linguistic and cultural skills to communicate effortlessly with native speakers and effectively structure an oral or written discussion.

SUPERIOR C1 (401-402)

Use the Spanish language flexibly and effectively for social, academic, and professional purposes.

MASTERY C2 (411-412)

Express oneself effectively and correctly, at a level close to that of a native speaker. Be able to differentiate finer shades of meaning.





ACADEMIC COURSES IN SPAIN

Intensive Spanish

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12 destinations!

don Quijote schools

Barcelona

Granada

Madrid

Salamanca

Tenerife

Valencia

Partner schools

Alicante

Cadiz

Malaga

Marbella

Pamplona

Seville



INTENSIVE SPANISH

10+5, 20+5 OR 30+5 CLASSES OF SPANISH WEEKLY

Intensive courses are perfect for students of all ages who wish to learn as quickly and efficiently as possible through constant interaction. Students will learn how to use grammar in context through a wide range of activities including: reading, discussions, conversations, viewing documentaries, listening to songs, watching films, etc.

In the Intensive Spanish course (20 classes + 5 complimentary cultural classes weekly) you will have 4 Spanish classes daily, 20 weekly, from Monday through Friday in small groups of 8 students or less. For students who want to go the extra mile and advance as quickly as possible, both in terms of grammar and communication skills, then we recommend the Super Intensive Spanish course (30 + 5) which consists of 6 daily classes for a total of 30 a week. If you already have a solid base of Spanish and are interested in simply practicing all forms of communication, then the Spanish Conversation (10 + 5) course will provide 2 hours daily of solid communication building skills such as listening, speaking and writing.

Each class will take you one step closer to your ultimate goal: communicating with confidence in Spanish. For this reason, we integrate a variety of skills in the classroom, and combine diverse tasks and activities in which the student is the main protagonist. Our unique interactive teaching method insures continual participation and active learning.

We know that excellent teaching alone does not guarantee the success of a student in a language course. We believe that understanding the local culture is an integral part of a student's success. It is for this reason that we emphasize our "Formula + 1" method which offers students the opportunity to participate daily in a complimentary class or activity covering a topic of cultural interest. This means that all Intensive Spanish courses include an additional +5 cultural classes a week for free!

Duration: 1 – 52 weeks
Destinations: All don Quijote schools
Spanish level: All levels
Frequency per week: 10, 20 or 30 Spanish classes + 5 cultural classes
Participants per group (maximum): 8 students
Start dates: Any Monday, year round



OFFICIAL EXAMS

D.E.L.E. EXAM PREPARATION



The D.E.L.E. diploma will give you an internationally recognized certificate of your Spanish level, particularly important if you wish to study in a Spanish university or work in a Spanish-speaking country.

All don Quijote schools offer 2 or 4 week preparation courses for each official D.E.L.E. exam depending on the levels offered in each exam (A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, and C2). A very high percentage of our students pass these exams with great success.

The D.E.L.E. (Diploma in Spanish as a Foreign Language) is the only Spanish certificate for non-Spanish speakers officially recognized by the Spanish Ministry of Education. There are 6 levels/exams. don Quijote's official D.E.L.E. exam preparation courses normally take place three times a year in May, July and November.

Furthermore, if you take a 12 week Spanish course in addition to the 4 week D.E.L.E. exam preparation course with at least 90% attendance and end up failing the exam (at the same level of your course) then we will give you an additional 4 week course for free and pay your re-examination fees!

Duration: 2 or 4 weeks

Destination: All don Quijote schools

Spanish level: To enroll in a DELE course, you must have at least the same level of Spanish taught in the course

Frequency per week: 20 Intensive Spanish classes + 2 hours of D.E.L.E. Exam support (course A1, A2); 20 D.E.L.E. classes (course B1, B2, C1, C2)

Participants per group (max): 12 students

Start dates: Specific start dates, see don Quijote price list

Exam dates: April, May, July, October and November



CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EXAM PREPARATION

This exam is officially recognized by the Chamber of Commerce of Madrid and the University of Alcalá. It has considerable international value, giving you easier access to the job market and boosting your career potential in business. If you are interested in obtaining a recognized qualification in Spanish Business, don Quijote offers you the opportunity to prepare this exam through a 4 week Intensive Business course.

PREMIUM PROGRAM

REDUCED GROUP SIZES:
3 STUDENTS!

Short on time to learn the Spanish you will need to make your business or stay abroad a rousing success? Wonder how much more you and your key employees could accomplish with a solid foundation in Spanish, including vocabulary specific to your business? Premium Spanish is an exceptional course designed for the busy professional.

The Premium courses are designed for individuals who require an accelerated intensive Spanish language course. The program offers you the highest quality Intensive Spanish course customized to your individual needs with expert personalized instruction and one-to-one teaching. Your instructor will advise you from beginning to end, analyzing your goals and creating a personalized program content including a class schedule and complimentary activities that may include company visits, cultural tours or excursions. We are able to prepare personalized content for you on a specific business topic, a technical area, or any other subject.

To maximize your progress, classes are limited to a maximum of 3 students. Your classmates are guaranteed, as always, to have the same level of Spanish as you.

PREMIUM INTENSIVE

20 Spanish classes per week

PREMIUM INTENSIVE +

20 group classes plus 5 private classes per week

PREMIUM SUPER INTENSIVE

20 group classes plus 10 private classes per week

PREMIUM IMMERSION

20 group classes plus 15 private classes per week

Students who choose a Premium Super Intensive or Premium Immersion package will enjoy 5 of their weekly private lessons in the form of daily lunches with their professor. These conversational lunches will help you develop your confidence in social business settings.

Duration: From 1 week

Destinations: don Quijote Barcelona, Madrid, Salamanca, Tenerife

Spanish level: All levels

Frequency per week: 20 group classes + optional 5, 10 or 15 private classes

Participants (max): 3 students in the group classes

Start dates: Any Monday, year round

PRIVATE CLASSES

PERSONALIZED ATTENTION

Short of time?
Eager to accomplish as much as possible in a limited time frame?
Opt for a personalized course and learn at your own pace.

In these private individual classes, neither you nor your teacher will have to consider the pace or interests of other students, as you would in a group course. Another option is our Best of Both course which combines intensive Spanish classes in group with a series of private classes.

Students will receive personal attention from the beginning to the end. Your advisor will analyze your goals and create a personalized program with specific content and additional activities that may include excursions, tours, visits, etc. For private classes on specific subjects, we would be happy to prepare content on literature, business or any other subject with advance notice. You may also invite a friend or partner to take part in your private classes.

Duration: Flexible

Destinations: All don Quijote schools

Spanish level: All levels

Frequency: Flexible

Participants: 1 or 2 students

Start dates: Any weekday, year round



BUSINESS SPANISH

INTENSIVE BUSINESS

This course is aimed at people who wish to acquire certain basic skills in Spanish for Business and are also short of time. You will study alongside active professionals taking the course to advance their careers, recent college graduates hoping to further their career, current university students and more.

If you want acquire the language skills necessary to communicate in business and legal situations, this is the perfect course for you. Class materials include commercial texts, professional presentations and business periodicals, all containing the vocabulary and structures necessary to interact with clients and colleagues in the target language. You will be provided with lists of specific business vocabulary and given several informative handouts dealing with the economic situations of Spain, other European countries, and Latin America. The program consists of 10 business classes per week and lasts either 2 or 4 weeks. We recommend combining the Business Spanish course with another course for a more complete experience.

OFFICIAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CERTIFICATE

What will you gain by completing the 4 week Intensive Business program? Well, not only will you enjoy the advantages of studying all of the material in logical order but you will also leave the course well-prepared for the Basic Spanish Certificate in Business granted by the Madrid Chamber of Commerce.

This exam is officially recognized by the Chamber of Commerce of Madrid and by the University of Alcalá. It has considerable international value, giving you easier access to the labor market and boosting your career potential. don Quijote Barcelona, Madrid, Salamanca and Valencia have agreements with the Madrid Chamber of Commerce.

Duration: 2 or 4 weeks

Destinations: don Quijote Barcelona, Madrid, Salamanca, Valencia

Spanish level: B1 (intermediate)

Frequency per week: 10 business classes

Participants per group (max.): 12 students

Start dates: Specific start dates, see don Quijote price list

SPANISH & WORK EXPERIENCE

INTERNSHIP (UNPAID)

In the combined language and internship program, the aim is to promote acquisition of high-level Spanish language skills and to provide candidates with professional working experience while fully immersed in a Spanish-speaking environment. We also feel it is of vital importance to provide students with the most realistic experience possible. All aspects of the program are real life experiences. Entrance requirements are high and each step is competitive with high levels of performance expected.

We're with you every step of the way: you will have weekly meetings with our internship team from the first week you arrive to ascertain your preferred internship field, help write your résumé in Spanish, and arrange for you to gain experience. You can choose your internship placement from a wide variety of areas.

SPANISH LANGUAGE

The first part of the program is a minimum 4 week Intensive Spanish language course at any don Quijote school in Spain. To participate in the internship, you should have an advanced level of Spanish (B2) upon completion of your Spanish course.

INTERNSHIP

The second part is the internship placement itself. This work experience is unpaid and lasts for 8 weeks in your chosen sector, either in Barcelona, Madrid, Salamanca, Seville or Valencia.

YOUR BENEFITS

Although the work placement program takes place only in select cities, your Spanish course can be taken at any don Quijote school. Remember, the higher your level of Spanish, the better your chances are of landing an interesting and challenging position.

Duration:

Intensive Spanish: minimum 4 weeks; Placement: 8 weeks

Destinations:

Barcelona, Granada, Madrid, Salamanca, Seville, Valencia

Spanish level:

Upon completing the Spanish course you must have a B2 level (advanced)

Frequency/week:

Intensive Spanish: 20 classes +5

Placement: usually 40 hours

Participants per group (maximum):

Intensive Spanish: 8 students

Start dates

Intensive Spanish: Every 1st Monday of the month, year round

Internship: All year round upon availability and length of stay

SPANISH & WORK EXPERIENCE INTERNSHIP (PAID)

This program offers young students a unique opportunity to live and work in Spain. Why just visit Spain when you can live in Spain and work to cover your expenses during your 2-4 month stay. You won't get rich, but you may just perfect your Spanish!



First you complete a Spanish course at any don Quijote school in Spain (minimum length of course 4 weeks) with accommodation in a shared apartment, residence or host family located in the center of the city. You will then start your work experience in a hotel or country house, residing in full board shared accommodation. Living and working in Spain, you will enjoy a unique experience. Not only will you improve your Spanish, but you will also advance your personal and professional skills with the Spanish and Hotel Placement experience.

TYPE OF WORK

Participants may occupy jobs in different departments of 3* - 5* hotels (examples of professional areas include: kitchen staff, room attendant, waiter, barman, reception staff, laundry attendant, social director, maintenance staff, general assistant, restaurant employee etc...). Previous experience is not necessary, but some hotels may give preference to participants who have already worked in the tourist industry. Working at the hotel reception desk is only possible if you have an excellent knowledge of Spanish plus previous work experience.

will make enough money to cover travel and living expenses during your extended stay in Spain.

Duration:

Intensive Spanish: 4 weeks (minimum)

Hotel Internship: 8 weeks

Destinations:

All over Spain

Spanish level:

Upon completing the Spanish course you must have a B1 level (intermediate)

Frequency/week:

Intensive Spanish: 20 classes +5

Work Experience: 40 hours

Participants per group (maximum)

Intensive Spanish: 8 students

Age:

Hotel Internship: 18-30 years

Start dates:

Intensive Spanish: Any Monday, year round

Hotel Internship: All year round upon availability and length of stay



FUN PROGRAMS

Does your idea of a perfect stay in Spain involve learning Spanish while you enjoy an appealing program of activities? With your interests at heart, don Quijote offers you a wide range of fun courses. You can opt to combine the activities program with an Intensive course of 4 hours per day. Take a look and you are sure to find a course that appeals to you! For detailed information, please contact us.

SCUBA DIVING

Come to Tenerife where you can explore sunken ships and swim with exotic and abundant marine life. Achieve a PADI qualification with scuba diving classes in the crystalline waters of the Atlantic. All levels welcome from complete beginner to advanced!

FLAMENCO OR SALSA

You may have heard of flamenco and salsa, but do you really know what it's all about? Now you have the chance to experience the best of Spain's culture! Come share the stage with professional dancers and learn the technical aspects of these dances in an authentic setting.

MEDITERRANEAN COOKING

Do you consider yourself a lover of foreign cuisine? Do you spend hours trying new recipes? If so - speak, smell and taste Spanish by combining your Spanish study with cooking classes. Learn how to prepare an authentic Spanish omelette, paella or sangria and impress your friends back home!

Duration: 1 - 3 weeks

Destinations: Consult specific courses in the price list

Spanish level: All levels

Frequency per week: From 2 hours

HISTORY, ART OR LITERATURE

Eager to expand your knowledge of the historical and cultural attributes of Spain? Then these courses are perfect for you!

You will participate in 10 history, art or literature classes. The courses will explore the connection between a selected Spanish region's history and its distinct geography, customs, gastronomy, folklore and politics (history course); Spain's most important trends and artistic representations (art course); the most prominent Spanish authors (literature course). Courses include extra-curricular activities including visits to museums and other cultural centers, always accompanied by a don Quijote teacher.

Duration: 2 or 4 weeks

Destinations: don Quijote Barcelona, Granada, Madrid and Salamanca

Spanish level: B1 (intermediate)

Frequency per week: 10 classes

Participants per group (maximum): 12 students

SPANISH FOR 50+

Want to study Spanish in a group your age and get to know and enjoy the Spanish way of life? You can do it with our Spanish for 50+ course specially designed for our students over 50.

The aim of this course is to provide situations in which you can immerse yourself in Spanish culture with confidence and enjoyment, and to give you the chance to practice Spanish with your teacher. You will have daily Spanish classes combined with activities and excursions to complete the program.

Duration: 2 weeks

Destinations: don Quijote Salamanca and Tenerife

Spanish level: All levels

Frequency per week: 20 Spanish classes plus activities

Participants per group: maximum 8 students

Had enough of the chores that come with the festive season back at home? Then why not get away from it all by doing something different and spending a truly memorable Christmas in Spain?

Have you always wondered what the Christmas holidays are like in Spain? Why not experience it for yourself while you enjoy a 1 or 2 week Spanish course? Come along and join the celebrations! The course consists of 4 daily intensive Spanish classes that take place from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

STUDY GROUPS

Due to popular demand, don Quijote creates customized courses at a favorable price for groups of people who have similar interests and course objectives.

We define a group as 6 or more students (young people or adults) with the same level of Spanish who book, travel and arrive together. This course format is specially designed for schools, universities, companies, associations, etc. You may want to develop a program made up entirely of Spanish language classes, or you may want to combine your group course with a general language course, cultural classes or a fun program course.

Duration: Flexible

Destinations: All don Quijote schools

Spanish level: All levels

Frequency: Tailor-made (minimum 2 daily Spanish classes)

Participants per group (minimum): 6 students

Age: 14 years and older

SPANISH TEACHERS PROGRAM

This specialized course is designed exclusively for Spanish teachers, instructors and professors who want to polish and perfect their teaching method.

The main objective of this course is to offer Spanish instructors professional support by means of studying current trends in the development and evolution of the Spanish language and stressing difficult yet important grammatical concepts. You can choose to take either private or group classes. Both consist of 20 lessons a week for one or two weeks.

Duration: 1 or 2 weeks

Destinations: All don Quijote schools (Individual course); don Quijote Barcelona, Madrid and Salamanca (Group course)

Spanish level: Spanish teacher

Frequency per week: 20 classes

Participants in the group course (maximum): 12 students



YOUTH PROGRAM WITH ACTIVITIES

Our Youth program is specially designed for students 14 and older who are looking for an all included study abroad program.

The program includes a Spanish course, full board accommodation, and a weekly schedule of activities and excursions. Classes are generally held in the morning while evenings are filled with a wide range of organized events such as local excursions, cultural activities and visits, movies, sports, dance lessons and more.

You will stay with a local host family or in a student residence hall.

Students will be supervised during activities and excursions but are responsible to travel between the school, accommodation and all planned activities on their own.

Duration: 1 or 2 weeks

Destinations: Barcelona, Marbella, Salamanca

Spanish level: All levels

Frequency per week: 20 Spanish classes

Participants per group (maximum): 15 students

Age: 14 - 21 years