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SUMMER STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS  
SEMESTER & YEAR - LONG PROGRAMS  
CUSTOMIZED FACULTY - LED PROGRAMS  
INTERNSHIPS IN COSTA RICA  
GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

Alcalá de Henares, Spain





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## WELCOME ABROAD!

**For more than 35 years of sending students abroad, our programs just keep getting better!** Over 20,000 students have participated in our programs and more than 2,000 universities have sent students with us. We pride ourselves on having one of the most extensive course offerings in the industry. We strive to continually improve our programs, and we offer the opportunity for graduate and undergraduate classes.

In addition, our cooperation with volunteer organizations and businesses in Costa Rica continues, and we have developed new internship opportunities so that students may apply their knowledge and skills in a real world setting.

MLSA's programs are still considered as the most economical choice to study abroad; a fact which we pride ourselves on, and every year our students are awarded **scholarships**, which enable more students and teachers to participate.

We have grown our staff in the United States and also abroad to reach one of our main goals: to offer you the **most extensive and personalized programs** available.

Our programs are appropriate for **every student regardless of language level, including teachers and professors**. Whether you are a beginning student, a student pursuing a Bachelor's degree, a Master's, Ph. D, or simply a person interested in learning about languages, culture, and literature, you will be able to participate and benefit from our programs.

MLSA continues to take steps to offer you a wider range of programs to broaden your study abroad choices.

Imagine yourself walking through the streets of Madrid, Spain; San Jose, Costa Rica; Florence, Italy; or Lyon, France with the world as your classroom as you study language and culture. It's impossible to explain all the benefits that you'll receive from studying abroad; you have to experience it for yourself!

We look forward to the coming year, and we will be even more excited if you join us! We are confident that you'll benefit from our programs, and we congratulate you on taking the first steps toward an experience that you'll never forget!

Yours truly,

Dr. Celestino Ruiz  
Director of MLSA

# Spanish Language, Culture & Literature Courses

## Universidad Complutense de Madrid

### Summer Study Programs

Starting from

# \$1,985

#### WHAT IS INCLUDED 2, 3, 4-Week Intensive Programs:

- Tuition, 4-9 graduate and undergraduate credits
- Airport pick-up for students who arrive at the designated time on arrival date
- Housing: university residences (host families in Madrid on request and availability)
- Room and board, 3 meals a day
- Pre-departure orientation and services
- On-site orientation on campus of the university
- Cultural activities: visits to places of historical interest such as the Madrid of Austrias, Retiro Park, Thyssen Museum, Prado Museum, Reina Sofia museum are organized by UCM. Faculty-guide included. **Entrance fees for museums may apply.**
- MLSA staff on campus and on-site
- MLSA offices on campus of the university in classroom building
- Access to the libraries and other facilities of the UCM
- WiFi and/or ethernet in each room of residences & the common areas
- Access to computer lab in residence hall  
(Students encouraged to take their own laptop computers)

- Use of available sports facilities: swimming pool at residence hall, basketball & tennis courts, game room, etc. (UCM pool with fee),
- **Optional excursions organized by UCM/MLSA.\***  
**Destinations such as: Toledo, Segovia, Granada, Pamplona/North of Spain/France, Asturias**

#### NOT INCLUDED:

- Application fee (\$100)
- Books (if necessary)
- Public Transportation Pass (30 day pass in Madrid)
- Airfare (MLSA will make flight arrangements only for groups upon request)
- Return transportation back to airport
- Official Transcripts
- Fees for optional excursions\*\*
- Laundry in some of the residences
- Misc. expenses not stated

\*Optional excursion fees not included in the program price

\*\*Courses, dates, and fees subject to change.

## 2, 3, 4-Week Intensive Summer Programs and Semester Study

A program designed for teachers of Spanish, undergraduate/graduate students, and advanced HS students

#### UNIVERSIDAD COMPLUTENSE DE MADRID

The Universidad Complutense de Madrid will conduct a graduate and undergraduate program for students and high school teachers interested in studying the language, literature, culture, and civilization of Spain. The Universidad Complutense de Madrid, with over 200,000 students, is a cultural center which offers the American student excellent educational opportunity for intellectual and artistic development. It combines a unique academic experience with an unusual community of students and teachers from all over the world.

#### PROGRAMS AT UCM

Visit our webpage, [www.mlsa.com](http://www.mlsa.com), for exact program dates.

#### GENERAL or SUPERIOR: 4-WEEK PROGRAM

Early July to Late July

#### INTENSIVO I: 2-WEEK PROGRAM

First two weeks of July

#### INTENSIVO II: 3-WEEK PROGRAM

Last three weeks of July

#### FALL QUARTER

End of September to Mid-December

#### SPRING QUARTER

Early January to Late March

#### WINTER QUARTER

#### PROGRAM FEES

4-WEEK PROGRAM \$3,785 Undergraduate, \$3,950 Graduate  
2-WEEK PROGRAM \$1,985 Undergraduate, \$2,150 Graduate  
3-WEEK PROGRAM \$3,385 Undergraduate  
SEMESTER PROGRAM \$8,985

Program fees are subject to change.

#### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The program is open to teachers, college students, high school graduates, high school seniors, and individuals who will benefit from the cultural experience. Evidence of good health, maturity, and adaptability to a foreign environment is required for the beginning, intermediate, and conversation courses. For the graduate courses, a bachelor degree or equivalent is required.

#### FACULTY AND STAFF

All courses are taught in Spanish by faculty members from the Universidad Complutense de Madrid. A program director and assistant will be in residence to counsel, supervise, and help American students.

#### ORIENTATION

At the beginning of the program there will be an orientation to familiarize the students with the facilities and the university system. Students will be given an ID card from the university, which will allow them to visit museums, monuments, and libraries (fee may apply).

Late March to Late June

## CLASSES

Classes will be conducted Monday - Friday from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Conferences for additional credit are held after classes. Classes will accommodate students at almost any level: beginner, intermediate, advanced, graduate and undergraduate.

The summer program is divided into four different sections/groups: **General, Superior, Intensivo I, Intensivo II.**

## GENERAL PROGRAM (UNDERGRADUATE)

### GENERAL: 4 WEEKS

*Four weeks, 8 credits / 80 contact hours (undergrad courses only)*

This program is an undergraduate program, except for the most advanced course, 500, which is dual level, graduate/undergraduate. Students who register for General and later change to Superior 501-502 must pay the difference in program fees.

### GENERAL COURSES

#### BEGINNING SPANISH 101-102 ESPAÑOL INICIAL (A1–A2)

*8 credits / 80 contact hours. 9:00 am – 1:00 pm.* First and second semester of college. For students with no previous knowledge of Spanish. They will study the basic structure of Spanish with emphasis in speaking. The daily schedule is divided as follows: 9:00 am Grammar (Theory); 10:00 am Grammar (Practice); 11:10 am Written & Oral Skills; 12:10 pm Conversation.

#### INTERMEDIATE SPANISH 203-204 ESPAÑOL ELEMENTAL (A2–B1)

*8 credits / 80 contact hours. 9:00 am – 1:00 pm.* Third and fourth semester of college. Builds upon the skills acquired in Spanish 101/102.

#### INTERMEDIATE SPANISH 300 ESPAÑOL INTERMEDIO (B1–B2)

*8 credits / 80 contact hours. Undergraduate. 9:00 am – 1:00 pm.* Further development of spoken and written Spanish and introduction to Spanish culture with readings, lectures, and videos on literary and cultural topics.

#### ADVANCED SPANISH 400 ESPAÑOL AVANZADO (B2–C1)

*8 credits / 80 contact hours. Undergraduate. 9:00 am – 1:00 pm.* Intensive practice in advanced Spanish Grammar, syntax, and idiomatic constructions to develop greater fluency and improvement in oral comprehension, conversation skills, and composition. As part of the course, an overview of the culture and civilization of Spain, through a series of lectures on the historical, philosophical, political, literary, and artistic development of Spain will take place.

*The following courses (415, 420, 430) may be offered in varying combinations based on enrollment and student proficiency.*

#### SPAN 415 COMPOSITION II

*4 credits / 40 contact hours. Undergraduate. 9:00 AM* Students further develop writing skills and learn to apply more complex grammar and vocabulary in composition. Emphasis on refinement and precision. To be taken with SPAN 430.

#### SPAN 420 CONVERSATION II

*4 credits / 40 contact hours. Undergraduate. 9:00 AM* Continued and more advanced practice in Spanish conversation through study of contemporary culture as a basis for speaking. To be taken with SPAN 430.

#### SPAN 430 INTRODUCTION: SPANISH CULTURE & LITERATURE

*4 credits / 40 contact hours. Undergraduate. 11:10 AM* Spanish cultural heritage and the development of social and political institutions. Includes studies of different facets of Spanish culture not normally covered in regular course offerings.

#### ADVANCED SPANISH 500 ESPAÑOL SUPERIOR (C1–C2)

*4 credits / 40 contact hours. Dual level: Undergraduate/Graduate. 9:00 am – 1:00 pm.* Intensive practice in perfecting Spanish Grammar, syntax, idiomatic constructions to develop native-like fluency and improvement in oral comprehension, conversation skills, and composition. As part of the course, an overview of the culture and civilization of Spain, through a series of lectures on the historical,

philosophical, political, literary, and artistic development of Spain will take place.

## INTENSIVO I & II PROGRAMS

### INTENSIVO I – TWO WEEKS *First two weeks, 3-4 credits*

Undergraduate or graduate program. (Superior program Intensivo can choose first or second two weeks.)

**INTENSIVO II – 3 WEEKS, *Last 3 weeks, 5-6 credits undergraduate. (undergrad courses only)*** except for the most advanced course, 500, which is dual level--graduate/undergraduate.

### INTENSIVO I & II COURSES

Spanish 101/102 Español Inicial  
Spanish 203/204 Español Elemental  
Intermediate Spanish 300 Español Intermedio  
Advanced Spanish 400 Español Avanzado  
Advanced Spanish 500 (Graduate/Undergraduate)

## SUPERIOR PROGRAM (GRADUATE)

### SUPERIOR: 4 WEEKS (2 WEEKS AVAILABLE)

*8 credits (semester). Graduate program. 9:00 am – 1:00 pm.*

This 4-week program allows students to earn up to 8 graduate credits. Sixteen topics are offered over the course of the program, but students choose a total of eight topics with each topic worth 1 credit.

Students are allowed to participate, with special permission, in a shortened Superior Program during the first two or the last two weeks, if they cannot participate during the 4 weeks. Students can choose from the topics in literature (501) or topics in language, linguistics, methodology (502). Students can combine the topics in literature (501) with the topics in language, linguistics, methodology (502) in any combination, schedule permitting.

### CURSOS MONOGRÁFICOS DE LITERATURA 501

This course concentrates on literature. Major works of classical and contemporary Spanish authors are studied.

501 La literatura y el teatro de la República en la Guerra Civil  
501 Libros de viajes en la Edad Media y los Siglos de Oro  
501 Madrid, ciudad literaria  
501 La vida en poesía y la poesía en la vida. Algunos poemas clásicos del siglo XX y taller poético  
501 Últimas tendencias del teatro hispanoamericano  
501 El Corbacho (1438). Lectura de un clásico español  
501 Rock, literatura, comic y arte de la "Movida" madrileña  
501 La mujer en el teatro español: Cinco obras maestras entre el siglo XVII y el siglo XXI

### CURSOS MONOGRÁFICOS DE LENGUA, GRAMÁTICA, LINGÜÍSTICA Y METODOLOGÍA 502

This program concentrates on the study of highly advanced grammar, syntax, semantics, linguistics, methodology and the Spanish language in its colloquial form.

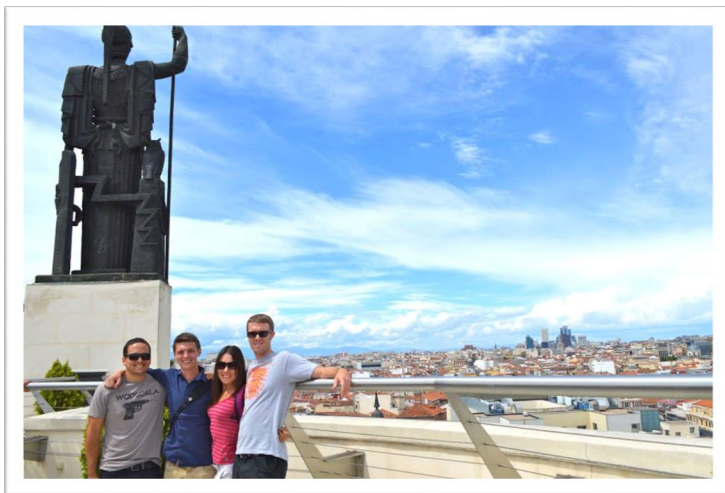
502 La enseñanza de ELE: la comprensión y expresión oral  
502 Palabras y diccionarios del español  
502 La enseñanza del español: La pronunciación y la ortografía  
502 La literatura como auxiliar en la metodología en la enseñanza del español como lengua extranjera  
502 Análisis de textos y significación  
502 Variedades del español. El español de América  
502 La Gramática de ELE/EL2: Un enfoque nuevo para la Enseñanza de la Sintaxis  
502 La atención a la forma para la adquisición de la competencia gramatical en ELE

**Listed topics are tentative and will be announced in the Spring.**

While Superior Program topics (501 and 502) are interchangeable; the Superior fees and schedule are different from General Program, thus the General Program courses are not interchangeable with the Superior Program, 501 or 502 topics.

**\*\*Please note that students taking the 501 or 502 topics must pay the Superior (Graduate) Program fees, even if they are undergraduates.**





**“Studying abroad is mind-opening. I met people from so many different countries while here, and learned about a language and a culture, and learned about myself.”**

—S. Johnston, Freed-Hardeman University

#### LECTURES ON CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION

1-2 credits. 1:00 pm. Optional lecture series offered biweekly. One credit can be earned by attending lectures on literature, culture and civilization; or two additional credits can be earned by attending lectures on commercial Spanish. Lectures are intended to provide knowledge of the outstanding aspects in Spanish culture. Additional fee applies.

Examples of Past Conferences:

- CULTURA. ¿Por qué somos así?
- HISTORIA DE ESPAÑA. El Imperio español: Nacimiento, cénit y declive.

**IMPORTANT: Please note there is an additional 144 euros charge for series giving 1 credit. Fee due on site in Spain when selecting the lectures.**

*\*\*Courses and topics are subject to change.  
Changes will be updated on the website: [www.mlsa.com](http://www.mlsa.com).*

#### CONTACT OUR OFFICE UPDATED COURSE OFFERINGS.

### MORE PROGRAM INFORMATION

#### GRADUATE – UNDERGRADUATE CREDITS

Students can receive 8 graduate or undergraduate credits during the summer program (more credits are awarded through the optional conferences). Whether students wish to receive credit or non-credit, the fee will be the same. The number of credits will depend on the length of the program you select and the number of hours you will be in class. MLSA will help you with the selection of courses, transfer of credits, transcripts, and all academic aspects of the program. See pg. 22 for additional information about credits.

#### TEXTBOOKS

Students will purchase all the textbooks the first day of class in the University. If required, plan to budget \$30-50.

#### HOUSING AND MEALS

Students will be housed in the residences of the university; homestays will be available only on request and on a limited basis. Students will be placed in several residences; **each residence is completely independent from each other and students are not allowed to use any of the facilities of the other residence.** Students are expected to be at the residences the day before classes start and depart by

noon the day after the classes are over. **PLEASE DO NOT MAKE PLANS TO ARRIVE BEFORE or stay after the program.** You will not be able to stay in the Colegios Mayores or with the homestay family (**no exceptions**). All students will be placed in private rooms in the residences or with families, in private or double rooms; all rooms have internet access. We recommend you bring your computer. Three meals a day are included in the residences. Please note that **BREAKFAST IS CONTINENTAL, not american style, and may include coffee, juice, milk, toast, cereal, small pastries, some fruits, meats, and cheeses. Meal selections are limited. Please inform MLSA if you have dietary restrictions.**

#### ACTIVITIES

In the afternoon or weekends, guided cultural activities such as visits to places of historical interest such as the Madrid of Austrias, Prado Museum, Reina Sofia & Thyssen Museums will take place. The UCM student ID is required for entrance to museums during activities and an entrance fee may be required. **ALL ACTIVITIES ARE CONDUCTED IN SPANISH.**

#### CULTURAL EXCURSIONS

While the program is in session, optional one-day trips to places such as Toledo, Segovia, El Escorial and overnight trips such as Asturias and Granada are available. MLSA arranges a 3-day tour to Pamplona, the beach in Biarritz, France, Barcelona. Contact MLSA for current excursion offering, prices, and dates. **EXCURSIONS ARE OPTIONAL AND NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE. REGISTRATION IS DUE IN ADVANCE. ALL ACTIVITIES ARE CONDUCTED IN SPANISH.**

#### SHORT-TERM PROGRAMS PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Application fee, when submitted .....	\$100
<i>(Non-refundable unless the applicant is not accepted. MLSA will confirm your acceptance when the application fee is received.)</i>	
2 weeks after acceptance.....	\$500
1st payment due March 15.....	\$1000
2nd payment due March 30.....	\$500
Final payment due April 10.....	Balance

*If all payments are not made by April 10, a \$200 late fee will be applied.*

Pay by **check, money order, cashier's check to:**  
MODERN LANGUAGE STUDIES ABROAD  
P. O. BOX 548  
FRANKFORT, IL 60423

MLSA will assess a \$50 processing fee if a check is returned to us by the drawer's bank.



**“I loved being able to make wonderful friendships that I'll never forget. And being able to go on the excursions and into Madrid made me appreciate the culture, life, and people in this world. This was the best experience of my life.”**

—N. Adams, Lincoln Way H.S.

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# Spanish Language, Culture & Literature Courses

## Universidad Antonio de Nebrija en Madrid

### Summer, Winter, and Semester Programs

#### WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE SUMMER PROGRAMS:

- Tuition, 6-12 undergraduate credits (4-8 week programs)
- Student grade and credit report
- Official transcript copy
- Airport pick-up **only** for students who arrive at the designated time on arrival date as a group (contact MLSA for details)
- Host families or residence hall (based upon availability)
- Room & board, 3 meals a day (in homestays & residences)  
Laundry services in all host families and in residence hall
- Pre-departure orientation and services
- On-site orientation on campus of the university
- Guided cultural activities organized by UAN (entrance fee may be required)
- Farewell party-closing ceremony
- MLSA staff on-site
- Access to the libraries and other facilities of the UAN
- Internet connections in the library

- Computer and internet if available in the family (Students are encouraged to take their own laptop computers.)

#### NOT INCLUDED:

- Entrance fees if necessary to cultural activities such as Prado Museum, Reina Sofia, Madrid de los Borbones, Madrid de los Austrias, Royal Palace, Congress/Senate, Tapestry Factory
- Optional One-Day Excursions organized by the UAN: Toledo; Salamanca, Segovia; Escorial, subject to change.
- Optional three-day excursions organized by UAN or MLSA: to places such as Sevilla; Granada, Pamplona, etc. Subject to change.
- Books
- Airfare (MLSA will make flight arrangements only for groups upon request)
- **Return transportation back to airport, end of program**
- Extra Transcripts
- Application fee (\$100)
- All expenses not stated

*\*Excursions, courses, dates, and fees subject to change*

*\*\*To see the services for the Semester programs please visit our webpage.*

## 4 or 8-Week Intensive Summer Programs and Semester Study

### Spanish Language and Culture Course and Electives in English Available

#### UNIVERSIDAD ANTONIO DE NEBRIJA EN MADRID

Antonio de Nebrija is a private and independent university, officially accredited by the Minister of Education of Spain. Antonio de Nebrija's mission is to teach Spanish as a foreign language. In the last 30 years, thousands of students from all over the world have participated in the summer, semester, and year programs.

#### PROGRAMS AT UNIVERSIDAD NEBRIJA

Visit our webpage, [www.mlsa.com](http://www.mlsa.com), for exact program dates.

##### **JUNE PROGRAM**

Early June to Late June

##### **JULY PROGRAM**

Early July to Late July

##### **JUNE + JULY COMBINATION PROGRAM**

Early June to Late July

##### **WINTER PROGRAM**

Early January to Early February

##### **FALL SEMESTER**

Mid-September to Late December

##### **SPRING SEMESTER**

Early February to Mid-May

#### PROGRAM FEES

JUNE PROGRAM	\$3,875
JULY PROGRAM	\$3,875
JUNE + JULY COMBINATION	\$7,750
SEMESTER PROGRAM	\$12,390

Program fees are subject to change.

#### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The program is open to teachers, college students, high school graduates, and individuals who will benefit from the cultural experience. Evidence of good health, maturity, and adaptability to a foreign environment is required for the beginning, intermediate, and conversation courses. For undergrad students, a minimum 2.5 GPA is required and for grad students, a BA or equivalent.

#### FACULTY AND STAFF

All courses are taught in Spanish by faculty members from the Universidad Antonio de Nebrija; some electives are taught in English. A program director and assistant will be in residence to counsel, supervise, and help American students.

#### ORIENTATION

At the beginning of the program there will be an orientation to familiarize the students with the facilities and the university system. Students will be given an ID card from the university, which will allow them to visit museums, monuments, and libraries for a reduced entrance fee.

## **COURSE OFFERING**

Classes will be conducted in the morning and/or early afternoon for four to five hours of classes a day, Monday through Friday—90 total contact hours. Our classes will accommodate students at almost any level from beginning to advanced and graduate level courses are available. Participants receive 6 semester credits in the 4-week program and 12-credits in the 8-week program. Courses will be offered with a minimum of 8 students registered.

**FOR SEMESTER COURSE OFFERING, VISIT THE WEBPAGE.**

## **UNDERGRADUATE COURSES – CONDUCTED IN SPANISH**

### **ELEMENTARY SPANISH LANGUAGE**

(CH1601, CEFR Level A1) Study of basic Spanish grammar and vocabulary from a functional and communicative approach. Develop oral and written comprehension and expression, with an emphasis on linguistic practice, in order to acquire basic control of the language in simple contexts and familiar communication that allows them closer contact to the Spanish way of life.

### **ELEMENTARY LANGUAGE & CONVERSATION**

(CH1611, CEFR Level A1) Practice of basic Spanish concepts with an emphasis placed on spoken language in order to acquire more security and confidence when managing basic Spanish. Also students begin to have contact with Spain and the everyday life of the Spanish.

### **LOW-INTERMEDIATE SPANISH**

(CH2601, CEFR Level A2) Study and practice of linguistic functions, as well as the basic grammar content and necessary vocabulary in order to be capable of communicating various real-world, common situations in Spanish.

### **LOW-INTERMEDIATE CONVERSATION AND CULTURE**

(CH 1651, CEFR Level A2) Oral practice applying contents that are being learned in the Language course. Introduction to modern Spanish customs and traditions of everyday life. Presentation of Spain and the day to day life of Spaniards.

### **INTERMEDIATE SPANISH LANGUAGE**

(CH2611, CEFR Level B1) Achieve more confidence in the use of the language and control of complex grammatical aspects. Special emphasis on the use and practice of learned grammatical structures.

### **INTERMEDIATE CONVERSATION AND CULTURE**

(CH2651, CEFR Level B1) Concentration on oral practice although all four linguistic skills will be practiced. Students will study general aspects of Spanish culture, keeping in mind geographical and cultural diversity, as well as Spanish current events.

### **HIGH-INTERMEDIATE SPANISH LANGUAGE**

(CH3601, CEFR Level B2.1) Strengthening comprehension and oral and written expression at a high-intermediate level of Spanish. A reflexive study and practice of grammar structures. General review of the morphosyntax of the Spanish language from a functional perspective.

### **HIGH-INTERMEDIATE SPANISH CULTURE**

(CH3641, CEFR Level B2.1) Intensive course that introduces the student to Spanish society through audiovisual materials accompanied by critical analysis and debates. Demands reading of varied texts as well as linguistic correctness in oral and written expression.

### **ADVANCED SPANISH LANGUAGE I**

(CH 4601, CEFR Level B2.2) Intensive course focused on the study and practice of different aspects of oral and written language at an advanced-intermediate level. Analysis and practice of different styles and registers of the language. Study of the specific grammar problems to obtain linguistic correctness in both oral and written expression.

### **ADVANCED SPANISH LANGUAGE II**

(CH4611, CEFR Level C1) Intensive study of Spanish morphosyntax. Study of specific problems of complex grammatical structures to reach a profound command of language's internal structure. Study of fixed

expressions and idioms, targeted vocabulary and technical terminology. Required: Advanced Spanish Language I.

### **ADVANCED LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY**

(CH4621, CEFR Level C2) The objective of this course is an in-depth study focused on the lexical and formal command of the language. By learning the dialects, registers and standard varieties, students will become self-sufficient speakers, with the knowledge and precision of an educated native speaker. They will be capable of understanding any spoken or written form of the language, as much in spoken conversations or speeches as abstract or literary texts. Additionally, they will be able to perceive and transmit subtly, precisely and coherently in the target language, all while maintaining the appropriate style given a particular context or format.

### **ADVANCED SPANISH CULTURE**

(CH4641, CEFR Level B2.2, C1, C2) Study of the major historical events of Spain as well as the most prominent artistic expressions. The class demands linguistic correctness.

## **ELECTIVES FOR ADVANCED LEARNERS – UNDERGRADUATE OR GRADUATE LEVEL CONDUCTED IN SPANISH**

### **SPANISH THEATRE IN THE 20TH CENTURY**

**(JUNE ONLY)** (CH3691 – B2.2, C1, C2) A study of the development of Spanish theater, with a special in-depth study of the following themes: Lorca, the post-war and the present-day period. Students are required to read some complete works and, whenever possible, attend theatrical performances where at least one attendance will be required.

### **CELESTINA AND DON JUAN**

**(JUNE ONLY)** (CH4652 – C1, C2) A study of the most representative characters from La Celestina, by Fernando de Rojas, and Don Juan, by Tirso de Molina, relating them to similar characters throughout the whole of Spanish literature. Recommended only for levels Advanced Spanish II (C1) and Advanced Language Proficiency (C2).

### **PANORAMA OF SPANISH LITERATURE**

**(JUNE ONLY)** (CH3131 – B2.2, C1, C2) A general review of Spanish literature. Introduction to the major movements, authors, and genres of literature in Spain and a social, historical and psychological analysis of the Spanish society through literature.

### **SPANISH FOR BUSINESS**

**(JUNE & JULY)** (CH5421 – B2.2, C1, C2) Acquisition and development of the language specifically geared towards legal and economical themes. Read and comment on newspaper articles and specific examples of legal and economic documents.

### **CONTEMPORARY SPANISH NOVEL**

**(JULY ONLY)** (CH3681 – B2.2, C1, C2) General view of Spanish prose from the post-war period to the present day. Major movements. Analysis and comments on selected texts. Latest trends. Perspectives of a novel. It is mandatory to read some novels.

### **WOMEN IN SPANISH GOLDEN AGE LITERATURE**

**(JULY ONLY)** (CH4631 – B2.2, C1, C2) Participation of women in Spanish literature. Analysis of literary works about women and/or written by women. Archetypes and types. Spanish authors of the Golden Age. It is obligatory to read fragments and complete works.

## **ELECTIVES TAUGHT IN ENGLISH – ALL LEVELS**

The following courses are offered with a minimum enrollment of eight participants. Each course is three academic semester credits. Receive 3 credits in Spanish and 3 credits in an elective. Participants combine an elective course with a Spanish language course for a total of six academic semester credits.

### **ART IN SPAIN**

**(JUNE & JULY PROGRAMS)** This course will analyze main artistic manifestations in Painting in Madrid and will provide you with the tools to identify, classify, understand, criticize, and appreciate, to recognize and analyze the most important works of Spanish painters such as El Greco, Velázquez, and Goya in the magnificent Prado Museum; and Picasso, Dalí, and contemporary artists at the Museo Reina Sofía.



## EUROPEAN STUDIES

**(JUNE & JULY PROGRAMS)** This course will cover relevant political, economic, and social aspects of European history and culture by examining the interaction among nation-states and their impact on other parts of the world.

## SPAIN TODAY

**(JULY\* Alternative to European Studies. Subject to enrollment.)**

An in-depth analysis of Spanish society and culture will be the main focus of this course. Spain's position within Europe, both historically and currently, will also be discussed.

## INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT

**(JULY PROGRAM)** This course will cover relevant aspects of management in an intercultural context. Students will acquire basic skills to help them deal with people from different cultural backgrounds (clients, customers, suppliers, colleagues, bosses) and will learn through case studies and real-world examples.

## UNDERGRADUATE (GRADUATE) CREDITS

Students can receive 6 undergraduate credits for the 4-week summer program/ 12 undergraduate credits for the 8-week summer program. Students can take courses for credit or non-credit. The fee will be the same. MLSA will assist with the selection of courses, transfer of credits, transcripts, and all academic aspects of the program. Transcripts are issued by the host university.

## TEXTBOOKS

Students will purchase all the textbooks the first day of class in the University. If required for the course, budget \$25-30.

## HOUSING AND MEALS

Students will be housed in Spanish families or residences in Madrid. Families and residences provide three meals a day and laundry service (limited service in residences). The arrival day is the day before classes start and students must leave the residence hall or family by 2:00 PM the day after classes end. **DO NOT PLAN TO ARRIVE TO YOUR FAMILY BEFORE THE LISTED DATE OR STAY LONGER. NO EXCEPTIONS.** If you plan to arrive before the dates established or leave after the days established you **MUST** find a place to stay. Students will inform MLSA in writing if they are allergic to food or suffer from any ailment that will influence their stay. MLSA will not make any arrangements for special diets or hotels.

## TRANSPORTATION IN MADRID

MLSA recommends students obtain a 30-day metro pass allowing unlimited bus or subway rides for the 4-week program. If the student

stays longer than a month, he/she will have to purchase a renewal pass. Not included in program fee.

## ACTIVITIES

During afternoons or weekends, guided cultural activities such as visits to places of historical interest such as the Madrid of Austrias, Prado Museum, Reina Sofia & Thyssen Museums will take place. The UAN student ID is required for entrance to museums during activities and an additional fee may be required.

## CULTURAL EXCURSIONS

While the program is in session, the university will organize optional one-day or three-day excursions to cities of interest around Spain. **ALL EXCURSIONS ARE EXTRA AND NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE. ACTIVITIES AND EXCURSIONS ARE CONDUCTED IN SPANISH.**

## SUMMER PAYMENT SCHEDULE (unless otherwise specified)

Application fee, when submitted ..... \$100  
(Non-refundable unless the applicant is not accepted—

MLSA will confirm your acceptance)  
Confirmation deposit (2 weeks after acceptance)..... \$500  
1st payment due March 1..... \$2000  
2nd payment due March 15..... \$500  
Final payment due March 30..... Balance

*If all payments are not made by April 10, a \$200 late fee will be applied.*

Pay by **check, money order, cashier's check to:**

MODERN LANGUAGE STUDIES ABROAD  
P. O. BOX 548  
FRANKFORT, IL 60423

MLSA will assess a \$50 processing fee if a check is returned to us by the drawer's bank.

## ¡Bienvenidos a ESPAÑA!

"I can honestly say it was one of the best experiences of my life. The classes were fun and interesting, and we had the opportunity to immerse ourselves in a different culture. The staff at the residences and at MLSA were very approachable and friendly. It felt like we were at home in a completely different country where we knew no one. It was an unforgettable experience."

- J. Tackett, Hendrix College

"MLSA allowed me to experience so many new and great things. I got to see an entirely different culture and use the language daily. I loved that this program gave us freedom to make our own decisions and meet people from all over the world. Some of the greatest friends I made were those from Madrid. This was the greatest experience of my life. I cannot wait to go back to Madrid, and I cannot thank MLSA enough!"

- C. Kennedy, Munster, IN



**PAMPLONA, SPAIN**

"This program is incredibly rewarding. It allows the students to get a good grasp on what living in a Spanish culture is like, along with giving them the opportunity to learn the language, travel to other cities, and interact with students from across the nation."

- H. Griffin, Freed-Hardeman University

# Spanish Language, Culture & Literature Courses

## Universidad de Costa Rica San José

### Summer Programs

Starting from

# \$2,184

#### WHAT IS INCLUDED:

- Tuition, 6 graduate and undergraduate credits
- Transcript
- Housing: Host families with 2 meals daily
- Laundry by host family
- Pre-departure orientation and services
- Airport pick-up for students who arrive at the designated time on the arrival date
- On-site orientation on campus of the university
- MLSA staff on campus and on-site
- MLSA offices on campus of the university in classroom building
- **Welcome and farewell parties**
- Access to some of the facilities at the university

- Wireless internet connection on campus
- Volunteer opportunities
- **Visits to museums, the city, and Cartago**

#### NOT INCLUDED:

- Books
- Airfare (MLSA will make flight arrangements only for groups upon request)
- **Return transportation back to airport, end of program**
- Application fee (\$100)
- **Optional excursions available to rain forests, exotic places, volcanoes, water falls and beaches**
- Lunch

*\*Excursions, courses, dates, and fees subject to change*

## 4 or 8-Week Intensive Programs

A program designed for university students, teachers of Spanish, undergraduate, graduate students

#### UNIVERSIDAD DE COSTA RICA

The Universidad de Costa Rica and MLSA are sponsoring a graduate and undergraduate program for students interested in studying the language, literature, culture, and civilization of Latin America and Spain. The Universidad de Costa Rica is the biggest university in Costa Rica, with an enrollment of 30,000 graduate and undergraduate students, 1,800 faculty members, and 2,500 staff. The main campus, Ciudad Universitaria Rodrigo Facio, is located on the east side of the city of San Jose.

#### PROGRAM DATES

Visit our webpage, [www.mlsa.com](http://www.mlsa.com), for exact program dates.

#### **SUMMER I (EARLY SUMMER 4-WEEK PROGRAM)\***

Late May to late June

*\*Not all courses will be offered; consult with MLSA.*

#### **SUMMER II (REGULAR SUMMER 4-WEEK PROGRAM)\*\***

Late June to late July

*\*\*Courses listed below will be offered during this program with a minimum number of registered students.*

#### **COMBINATION 8-WEEK SUMMER PROGRAM**

Late May to late July

#### PROGRAM FEES

Summer I or Summer II 4-Week Program	\$1,985
Summer I + Summer II 8-Week Program	\$3,970

#### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The program is open to teachers, college students, and individuals who will benefit from the cultural experience. Evidence of good health,

maturity, and adaptability to a foreign environment is required for the beginning, intermediate, and conversation courses. For the graduate courses, a bachelor degree or equivalent is required. Send copy of your degree or transcript if you take the class for credits.

#### HOW TO ENROLL

Complete the **Application and Release Forms (pg.23-25)**. Send to MLSA, P. O. BOX 548, FRANKFORT, IL 60423, with a \$100 registration fee and a digital passport-size recent headshot photo (min. "fine" quality to [info@mlsa.com](mailto:info@mlsa.com)). Make checks payable to MLSA. Registration application forms also available at [www.mlsa.com](http://www.mlsa.com). It is recommended to send the application as early as possible because some programs fill up fast and some of the courses may be closed if you wait too long.

#### FACULTY AND STAFF

All courses are taught in Spanish by faculty members from the Universidad de Costa Rica. A program director and assistant will be in residence to counsel, supervise, and help MLSA participants.

#### ORIENTATION PROGRAM

At the beginning of the program there will be an orientation to familiarize the students with the facilities, the university system, and the city.

#### CLASSES

Courses are conducted in the morning from 8:00 AM to 12:50 PM, Monday through Friday. There will be one long weekend with no classes on Friday (**only in the regular Summer sessions**). Our classes accommodate students at almost any level. Please call for advisement if you are unsure of your level.

The Summer II (Regular) program will offer the following graduate/undergraduate courses with a minimum number of registered students per class. The Summer I (Early) program will offer a limited number of graduate/undergraduate courses. See the application for course offering for Summer I.



## **CLASSES WITH 6 CREDIT HOURS CANNOT BE COMBINED WITH CLASSES THAT ARE 3 CREDIT HOURS**

### **SPANISH 101, BEGINNING SPANISH I – ESPAÑOL ELEMENTAL I**

*Undergraduate, 6 semester hours of credit: 90 classroom contact hours.* Equivalent of the first and second (**Automatic Enrollment in SPAN 102**) semester of college Spanish. Designed for students with no formal training in Spanish or who studied it long ago. Students will study basic aspects of Spanish grammar and structure with emphasis in speaking.

### **SPANISH 102, BEGINNING SPANISH II – ESPAÑOL ELEMENTAL II**

*Undergraduate, 6 semester hours of credit: 90 classroom contact hours.* *Prerequisite:* Spanish 101 or equivalent. Second and third (**Automatic enrollment in SPAN 203**) semester of college Spanish. Students will study the basic structure and grammar of the Spanish language to achieve competency in written and oral form.

### **SPANISH 203, INTERMEDIATE SPANISH I – ESPAÑOL INT I**

*Undergraduate, 6 semester hours of credit: 90 classroom contact hours.* *Prerequisite:* Spanish 102 or equivalent. It is the equivalent of the third and fourth (**Automatic enrollment in SPAN 204**) semester of college Spanish. Further development of audio-lingual skills, through conversation; increased command of written Spanish, and acquisition of greater reading speed and comprehension. Further acquisition of grammatical principles combined with varied readings and lectures on literary and cultural topics.

### **SPANISH 204, INTERMEDIATE SPANISH II – ESPAÑOL INT II**

*Undergraduate, 3 semester hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* This is a continuation of Spanish 203. It is the equivalent of the fourth semester of college Spanish. (**Automatic enrollment in SPAN 320 or other elective by request**).

### **SPANISH 315, SPANISH COMPOSITION I – COMPOSICIÓN I**

*Undergraduate, 3 semester hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* *Prerequisite:* Spanish 204. Students should have a good knowledge of Spanish grammar. The essentials of Spanish grammar as applied in composition are studied. Concentrates on writing through experiences, and practical application.

### **SPANISH 320, SPANISH CONVERSATION I – CONVERSACIÓN I**

*Undergraduate, 3 semester hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* *Prereq.* Spanish 204. Intensive practice in conversation. Pattern practice, preparation, and delivery of dialogues and topical talks. Basic phonetics and practice in pronunciation.

### **SPANISH 407, ESPAÑOL COMERCIAL**

*Undergraduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classrom contact hours.*

### **SPANISH 410, ADVANCED SPANISH**

*Undergraduate, 6 semester hours of credit: 90 classroom contact hours.* *Prerequisite:* Spanish 204. Intensive practice in Spanish conversation. Drill in syntax, idiomatic constructions. Concentrates on the development of greater fluency and oral comprehension, conversation skills, and grammar.

### **SPANISH 415, SPANISH COMPOSITION II – COMPOSICIÓN II**

*Undergraduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* *Prereq.:* Spanish 315 or equivalent. Can combine with 320, 420, or other 400 level course. Students further develop writing skills and learn to apply more complex grammar and vocabulary in composition. Emphasis on refinement and precision.

### **SPANISH 420, SPANISH CONVERSATION II – CONVERSACIÓN II**

*Undergraduate, 3 semester hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* *Prerequisite:* Spanish 204. Continued and more advanced practice in Spanish conversation. Contemporary culture as a basis for their conversations. Topics include: contemporary culture, nature, travel, humor, autobiography, cultural comments, news, newspapers, and TV scripts.

### **SPANISH 430, LATINAMERICAN CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION**

*Undergraduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* *Prereq.:* 315 & 320 or equivalent. Spanish-American cultural heritage and the development of social and political institutions. Cultural heritage from Spain and from the pre-Columbian civilizations. Includes

studies of different facets of Latin American culture not normally available as part of regular course offerings.

### **SPANISH 450, INTRO TO SPANISH AMERICAN LITERATURE**

*Undergraduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* *Prereq.:* 315, 320, or advisor approval. Introduction to the periods of Spanish literature from the beginning to the present. The study of the development of Spanish American literature from the early chronicles to contemporary authors.

### **SPANISH 451, INTRODUCTION TO THE LITERATURE OF SPAIN**

*Undergraduate, 3 semester hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* *Prerequisite:* 315 or 320. Introduction to the literature of Spain from the beginning to the present, with emphasis on contemporary 20<sup>th</sup> century Spanish literature.

### **SPANISH 496, INTRODUCTION TO GENERATION OF '98 WRITERS**

*Undergraduate, 3 semester hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* Familiarizes students with this generation of writers in Spain.

### **SPANISH 507, TRADUCCION E INTERPRETACION**

*Graduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.*

### **SPANISH 510, ESPAÑOL SUPERIOR**

*Graduate, 6 semester hours of credit: 90 classroom contact hours.* *Prerequisite:* 410 or equivalent. Intensive practice in Spanish conversation at graduate level. Focus grammar, syntax, idiomatic constructions. Development of greater fluency and improvement in oral comprehension, conversation skills, and grammatical points of interest to the students.

### **SPANISH 515, COMPOSICIÓN AVANZADA**

*Graduate, or Undergrad. with permission, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* *Prereq.:* 415 or equivalent. Writing beyond the undergraduate level with advanced training in composition. Topics will vary; among them: nature, travel, humor, fiction, poetry, drama. Advanced grammar review. Emphasis on individual writing.

### **SPANISH 520, CONVERSACIÓN AVANZADA**

*Graduate, or Undergrad. with permission, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* *Prereq.:* 420 or equivalent, or advisor approval. More advanced practice in conversation. Talks based on material given in class. Students are encouraged to study contemporary culture and literature as basis for their topics of conversation and to promote class discussion. Emphasis on Español Coloquial.

### **SPANISH 530, TÓPICOS EN CULTURA Y CIVILIZACIÓN HISPANOAMERICANAS I, II, III**

*Graduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* *Prereq.:* 430 or equivalent. The study of modern Latin American life with regard to the social institutions and customs through topics such as geography, history, music, art, literature, government, political institutions.

### **SPANISH 550, LITERATURA HISPANOAMERICANA**

*Graduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* *Prereq.:* 450 or equivalent. An intensive study of particular literary movements. Selected representative major works of classical and contemporary Latin American authors are studied.

### **SPANISH 561, LITERATURA CENTROAMERICANA**

*Graduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* Focuses on the post-revolutionary or post-war literature of Central America at the end of 20<sup>th</sup> century.

### **SPANISH 5261, LA NOVELA DE GABRIEL GARCIA MARQUEZ**

*Graduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* The most representative works of Gabriel Garcia Marquez will be studied.

### **SPANISH 5262, LA NOVELA CONTEMPORÁNEA LATINOAMERICANA**

*Graduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.* *Prereq.:* Advanced courses in Literature or Culture and Civilization. 8:00 am to 10:25 am. Focus on the most important 20<sup>th</sup> century Latin American novelists.

### SPANISH 580, LINGÜÍSTICA HISPÁNICA

*Graduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.*

*Prereq.: Basic knowledge of linguistics. In-depth study of the Spanish in Latin America: linguistics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, lexicon.*

### SPANISH 585, TÉCNICAS DE LA ENSEÑANZA DEL ESPAÑOL COMO SEGUNDA LENGUA

*Graduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.*

Comprehensive study of the techniques and approaches to the teaching of Spanish as a second language.

### SPANISH 594, LITERATURA COSTARRICENSE ESCRITA POR MUJERES

*Graduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.*

A panoramic study of Costa Rican literature and the social issues manifested throughout its history focusing on texts written by women.

### SPANISH 595, MUJERES EN LA LITERATURA HISPANOAMERICANA

*Graduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours.*

Examine two fundamental aspects of Hispanic-American literature; Representations of femininity in selected texts of renowned male and female authors of the 20<sup>th</sup> century; and the aesthetics, social, and cultural aspects related to feminine authorship.

### SPANISH 596, LA GENERACIÓN DEL '98

*Graduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours. In-depth study of this generation of Spanish writers.*

### SPANISH 597, PENSAMIENTO LATINOAMERICANO CONTEMPORÁNEO

*Graduate, 3 sem. hours of credit: 45 classroom contact hours. Focus on the trends in politics, ideas, and customs.*

*\*\*Courses and topics are subject to change.*

*Any changes will be updated on the website: [www.mlsa.com](http://www.mlsa.com).*

## CONTACT OUR OFFICE UPDATED COURSE OFFERINGS.

### GRADUATE – UNDERGRADUATE CREDITS

Students can receive 6 graduate or undergraduate credits during the summer/winter programs. The fee is the same for credit or non-credit.

### TEXTBOOKS

Be sure to have extra money to purchase books. The money you should set aside would be approximately \$25-50.

### ACTIVITIES

In the afternoon students are free, but the program will organize some visits to museums and other activities for them.

### TRANSPORTATION FROM AIRPORT

The families are informed of your estimated time of arrival. Buses will be waiting for you to take you to our office where you will meet your host family to take you home. Bus groupings are based on arrival

times. If you arrive at a date/time outside the normal arrivals, or after 6:00 pm, or if you miss your flight, you must take a taxi directly to your family. Be sure to take **Taxis Unidos**—orange color—the taxis are on your left just after you leave the airport. The price should be around \$35. You should also call your family to tell them your estimated time of arrival.

### HOUSING AND MEALS

Students will be housed with Costa Rican families in San Jose. Families provide two meals a day and laundry service. Students will be placed with families close to the University or near good transportation (to the University). You can arrive at the family residence the morning of the scheduled date of arrival, and you must leave before 7:00 pm on the scheduled date of departure. Don't plan to arrive at your family before the listed date (**no exceptions**); if you need to arrive earlier or stay later than the designated dates, we can recommend lodging—just give us a call. If you'd like to be placed in the same house as another participant, please just advise us and we can arrange it. All students have a private room.

### OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

While the program is in session, MLSA will organize a one-day cruise to the **Tortuga Island** and another to the **Poas Volcano/LaPaz Waterfalls**. Details, dates, schedules and prices will be sent to students before departure.

### PAYMENT SCHEDULE (unless otherwise specified)

Registration Fee.....\$100  
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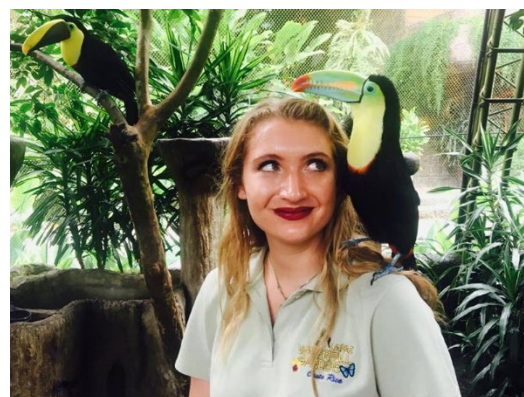
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A \$200 late fee will be applied to late payments. Payments by personal check are accepted up to 75 days prior to the departure date. Payments made 74 or fewer days before departure have to be made by cashier's check or money order. MLSA will assess a \$50 processing fee if a check is returned to us by the drawer's bank.

## VOLUNTEER & INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN COSTA RICA

In Costa Rica, we have teamed with an organization in San Jose to give our students the opportunity to get involved in volunteer work. MLSA will help students with volunteer work placement in over 125 different fields: environmental conservation, re-forestation, national parks, endangered species, tourist infrastructure, ecotourism training, education, health and social services, community infrastructure, community development, child services, business, and more. MLSA will provide program overview details, applications, and contact information to interested participants. Please note that internships and volunteer programs must be completed before or after the academic program because of the time commitment involved.

Visit [www.mlsa.com/internships](http://www.mlsa.com/internships) for more information.







## PAST PARTICIPANTS SPEAK OUT ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCE

### MLSA ORGANIZATION

"No creo que existan palabras que puedan expresar lo agradecida que estoy por haber participado en el programa de MLSA este verano. Fue una experiencia sin igual en la que no solo avancé mis estudios de posgrado sino en la que también recibí consejos muy valiosos. De paso pude conocer mucho de España y su diversidad de modo muy informativo. El programa tiene un encanto especial porque te hace sentir que estás con familia en vez de con compañeros y/o colegas." -Michele Porta Cisneros, NJ

"I enjoy this program and their directors. I like how they attend the activities with us. Everyone is very active and take their roles seriously. Everyone also seems to care about the students." -Cayla Buford, Memphis, TN

"My experience in Costa Rica has been a Once in a lifetime adventure and MLSA made that possible. I would recommend to anyone interested in studying abroad. I have learned so much! MLSA provided great activities and were

able to answer any questions I had about the city, travel, or campus." Jordan Raglin, Ouchita Baptist University

"I have recommended this program to others because the benefit is excellent! Not to mention the price which allowed me to attend two years in a row." Terra Greene, Annapolis, MD

"I think the staff has done a phenomenal job structuring this program." Seth Turner, Auburn, AL

"One of the best experiences of my life. Can't wait to come back to San Jose next May!" Beau Parker, San Marcos, TX

"Everything was very organized. I felt well cared for and secure with everything. I feel like I learned a lot. The planned activities were great because if some people couldn't do stuff on their own, they still get to explore and see things." Maria Jacobs, Sheboygan, WI

"Provided with great classes and host families for a low cost. The long weekends are also great. The women directors were very helpful." Meghan Pipal, Wheaton, IL

"Reasonably priced, great experience. Staff was wonderful—very helpful and caring, and always available to help." Mirta Evans, Naperville, IL

"I have traveled in 94 countries and this entire experience was one of the great highlights of my life. The courses were extremely well-structured; the professors were magnificent. The country is absolutely breathtaking and Ticos are the most tranquilo, amiable, simpatico, paciente gente en el mundo." Michael Collins, W. Palm Beach, FL

"I think you've done a great job of addressing many levels of student proficiency. Students at all levels comment positively about being challenged here. I would recommend this program to both former students and colleagues (teachers)." Erik Gronberg, Minneapolis, MN

"I have been part of this program for two years and it is well organized. Everyone has been helpful and accommodating. I felt that any time we needed something, help was there." Christine Tufano, Ridge, NY

"It's an awesome opportunity for any student to study a language and to learn about another culture. You get the opportunity to meet students from all over the world." Thomasina McMichael, Memphis, TN

"A+ ! Very helpful, super nice, informational. Makes everything clear for you. Great prices, great university, and great professors." Nicole Sykes, Lincoln, NC

"Costa Rica was everything I had hoped it would be and more. I was glad that I was able to challenge myself academically but still have plenty of time to meet Costa Ricans and travel to many of Costa Rica's breathtaking destinations. This mix of education and travel opportunities is exactly what a study abroad experience should contain." Andy Beckstrom, Bangor, WI

"It was a great learning experience and I made memories that I will cherish for the rest of my life." Andrew Winkler, San Marcos, TX

"It was well organized, professional, and an awesome value for the price." Georgia Ennis, Whitmore Lake, MI

"Great work putting together a program for so many different levels. Thanks! No matter the level of current achievement, there are courses to continue one's learning of Spanish in a fresh way." Professor, Cecil Roth, Jamestown, ND

"There is nothing like instruction followed by practice. Living with a family and in a community in which Spanish is spoken is an irreplaceable experience." Mark Brown, Jamestown, ND

"It was good to have everyone's contact numbers in case we needed to reach them. Everyone seemed so nice and helpful; it really made this process a lot easier!" Shawna Grubb, Colorado Springs, CO

### **COMMENTS ON TEACHING**

"I loved how the classes were small. It was easier to learn in the small environment." Taylor Countiss, Muscle Shoals, AL

"My professors were fantastic—they showed much patience with the students, as well as a profound love of their work." James Williams, Atlanta, GA

The instructor was one of the best teachers I've ever had! The best feature of the course was its multi-faceted approach at improving one's Spanish in terms of listening, reading, writing, speaking, and understanding the basic facets of

this wonderful language." Matthew Nies, Ashley, ND

"We had the opportunity to learn quite a bit about linguistics and current theories in language teaching, which I will be able to apply in my classroom." Anne Chavez, Lexington, MA

"My literature instructor was full of enthusiasm and her knowledge of the subject matter and interest in the topics covered were evident. She told the class that she was giving us 100% of her time and effort and expected no less from us in return. She paid for several class materials out-of-pocket. She really did care for us. I enjoyed my experience in her class immensely." Andrea Maresh, Colorado Springs, CO

"The small class size and comfortable atmosphere in the conversation class helped me learn. I thought the field trips with the culture class were an excellent way to learn about culture, especially since this could not be done if I had taken the class in the U.S." Jennifer Babin, Huntsville, AL

"My instructors were genial and engaging. Clearly, they had great respect for all of us and insisted that we do our best. The teachers made the classes fun with interesting projects, assignments, games." Aimee Fournier, Astoria, NY

"I loved every single text I read here—two amazing literature classes! The exams were a challenge, which I was looking forward to this month. I really enjoyed the way the teachers taught the classes, listened very carefully to our responses, and were there for us when we needed help." Rigoberto Bravo, Jr., Fayette, MO

"Both instructors exceeded expectations. They were incredibly knowledgeable, brought in interesting and current materials, and even took us on a field trip to see the play of a book we read." Kelsie Goodman, Kirksville, MO

"For the conversation class, the teacher was very interactive and creative. She had new things for the students to do every day. She made each day very interesting. For the composition class, the teacher was very willing to give me extra help in writing and I improved exponentially." Celeste Mayhew, Glendora, CA

### **COMMENTS ON FAMILIES**

"Everything was perfect! The family was very nice, respectful, and helpful. We ate meals together and they invited me to events such as attending church and going to the movies. I also got to help with (because I volunteered to) and attend the daughter's baby shower and meet family friends." Renee Cave, Charlotte, NC

"Loved the family! Made my experience here wonderful. Very welcoming and helpful—wish I

could have lived with them longer." Sarah Hulls, Auburn, AL

"Ilse and her family made me feel right at home while here in Costa Rica. They were generous and kind, and included me like I was part of their family. They were always willing to speak Spanish with me. I will miss them very much." Susan Mahoney, Memphis, TN

"I could not speak more highly of my tico parents who took me in like their own son. I was treated with the utmost respect and kindness at all times and had a wonderful experience living with them. They worked diligently to make me comfortable and happy with my living situation. They worked hard to provide a loving attitude and actions." Ethan Tomlinson, Louisville, KY

"Every member of my family was very kind and accommodating. Many of them took me places: shopping, sightseeing, out for meals, visiting other family members, and friends, etc. They also helped me to find my way around the city, e.g., internet café and bank, and to make long-distance calls, and to change money." Anne Chavez, Lexington, MA,

"My madre tica treated me like a son. Any individual would be extremely lucky to have someone as wonderful as her. I cannot speak highly enough of her. She made me feel as if this was my country." David Driscoll, Memphis, TN

"This was a wonderful family to stay with. They were never anything but kind. My meals were always delicious and my room was always immaculate. I am going to miss them very much. They are wonderful people who genuinely care about the well-being of the students in their charge." James Nelson, Ann Arbor, MI

"Host family was incredible. Very professional and warm. Felt welcome in home. Family was very resourceful in studies and Costa Rican life." Janice Cavolt, Virginia Beach, VA

"My husband and I loved our family. Maria has been one of the best teachers I've had; she is always willing to sit and talk with us and correct our pronunciation. The food is amazing; she keeps the house clean; and her husband and children are wonderful—they have made us feel at home and like we are part of the family." Georgia Ennis, Whitmore Lake, MI

"My family was amazing! You can't get better than this family. It seemed like I never left home at all. I am looking forward to coming back next year." Rigoberto Bravo, Jr., Fayette, MO

"The experience I have had with my Costa Rican family is priceless because of immersion not only in the tico culture but because of the love that they gave me." Joshua Lynch, Chesapeake, VA



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"The apartment was a lovely apartment and I enjoyed living there. It seemed very well maintained. The instructor is wonderful. I couldn't have asked for a better teacher. She taught a lot of Italian and also about Florence and Italy. It is an excellent program. The directors are very helpful and understanding."



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- Internet connections at the university

- One Official Transcript
- Computer and internet in some apartments or residences
- Welcome party

### NOT INCLUDED:

- Books
- Airfare (MLSA will make flight arrangements only for groups upon request)
- **Return transportation to airport**
- Extra transcripts
- Application fee (\$100)
- Optional excursions to Venezia, Roma, Siena, and other places all at reasonable prices. Places subject to change.
- Entrance to the museums (if needed)
- Public transportation
- Meals (apartments)
- All expenses not stated

*\*Excursions, courses, dates, and fees subject to change*

## 2, 4, or 6-Week Intensive Language Programs

### UNIVERSITÀ DI FIRENZE

The Università di Firenze is a very prestigious university officially accredited by the Minister of Education of Italy. The department of Italian for foreign students at the Università di Firenze has made its mission to teach Italian as a foreign language. In the last 30 years, thousands of students from all over the world have participated in the summer, semester, and year programs.

### PROGRAMS AT UNVIERSITY OF FLORENCE

Visit our webpage, [www.mlsa.com](http://www.mlsa.com), for exact dates.

#### 6-WEEK PROGRAM

Mid-June to Late July

#### 4-WEEK PROGRAM

Mid-June to Mid-July

#### 2-WEEK PROGRAM

Mid-June to Late-June

### PROGRAM FEES

6-WEEK PROGRAM	\$4,885
4-WEEK PROGRAM	\$3,985
2-WEEK PROGRAM	\$2,500

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The program is open to teachers, college students, high school graduates, and individuals who will benefit from the cultural experience. Evidence of good health, maturity, and adaptability to a foreign environment is required for the beginning, intermediate, and conversation courses. For undergrad students, a minimum 2.5 GPA is required.

### FACULTY AND STAFF

All courses are taught in Italian by faculty members from the Università di Firenze. A program director and assistant will be in residence to counsel, supervise, and help American students.

### ORIENTATION PROGRAM – IDENTITY CARD

At the beginning of the program there will be an orientation to familiarize the students with the facilities and the university system. Students will be given an ID card from the university, which will allow them to visit museums, monuments, and libraries.

### CLASSES

All the classes will be conducted in the morning. Classes are held from about 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM. Monday through Friday. Our classes will accommodate students at almost any undergraduate level: beginner, intermediate, and advanced students. The 6-week program is 90 contact hours and 6 semester credits, the 4-week program is 60 contact hours and 4 semester credits, and the 2-week program is 30 contact hours for 2 semester credits.



## COURSE OFFERINGS

(Please note, our website lists the most current course offerings. Courses will be offered with a minimum of 10 students registered.)

### CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

#### ELEMENTARY COURSE – 100 LEVEL (A1 – A2)

This course aims to enable students to grasp the fundamental structures of Italian grammar and the more basic forms of communication, according to the A1-A2 level of the CEFR. By the end of the course, students will be able to understand short and simple descriptive texts and to interact in a simple way on every-day and familiar topics (family, work, hobbies). Students are placed into a multilingual classroom and are involved in a group dynamic that encourages sociocultural debate.

#### INTERMEDIATE COURSE - 200 LEVEL (A2-B1)

This course allows students to consolidate and increase their knowledge of Italian grammar. Students are also called to improve their communication skills. By the end of the course students will be able to understand a variety of medium difficulty texts and to produce short descriptive and narrative texts. Students gain experience interacting with native speakers in private and public contexts (travelling, shopping, city services). Students are placed into a multilingual classroom and are involved in a group dynamic that encourages sociocultural debate.

#### ADVANCED INTERMEDIATE COURSE –300 LEVEL (B1-B2)

This course aims to improve Italian language competence reaching the skills according to the B2 level of the CEFR. The course develops students' aptitude to understand and produce medium length argumentative and narrative texts, to increase their vocabulary related to specific areas of study (art, literature, cinema, theater) and to interact more spontaneously with native speakers. By the end of the course students will be able to express opinions on socio-cultural issues. Students are placed in a multilingual classroom and are involved in a group dynamic that encourages sociocultural and sociolinguistic debate.

#### SUPERIOR COURSE – 400 LEVEL (C1)

This course is dedicated to the achievement of Effective Operational Proficiency level (C1) described in the CEFR. Students consolidate and increase writing and speaking skills from the previous levels and develop proficiency by producing clear and well-constructed argumentative, narrative and expository texts, improving their ability to communicate and maintaining easy and natural interactions with native speakers (in formal and informal contexts). By the end of the course students will acquire a flexible and effective language for social, academic and professional communications. Students are placed into a multilingual classroom and are called to actively participate in the group dynamic, through a sociolinguistic and sociocultural perspective.

#### SHORT CULTURE COURSES

The optional culture classes are held every day from Monday to Friday, mornings from 11:30 to 13:15 approximately. Lessons may take place outside of the classroom at museums and monuments in the afternoons on weekdays or Saturday mornings. The lessons in the cities of Tuscany and the neighboring regions are held on the weekends.

- ITALIAN LITERATURE I - Origins to the Renaissance
- ITALIAN LITERATURE II - Baroque to contemporary
- ITALIAN HISTORY
- ART HISTORY I - Romanesque to the Renaissance
- ART HISTORY II - Baroque to contemporary age
- CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS IN FLORENCE - Renaissance to the Enlightenment
- ETRUSCAN CIVILIZATION
- HISTORY OF MUSIC
- ASPECTS OF THE ITALIAN CINEMA
- HISTORY OF ITALIAN THEATER
- THE ITALY TABLE - History of Food Culture

#### UNDERGRADUATE CREDITS

Students can receive 6 credits in the six-week program and 4 credits for the 4-week program; graduate or undergraduate courses/credits are available during the summer programs. Students can take courses for credit or non-credit. The fee will be the same. The number of credits will depend on the length of the program you select and the number of hours you will be in class. MLSA will help you with the selection of courses, transfer of credits, transcripts, and all academic aspects of the program.

## TEXTBOOKS

Students will purchase all the textbooks upon arrival. Grammar books cost a maximum of 38 euros.

## HOUSING AND MEALS

Students will be housed in residence halls or apartments within commuting distance of the classroom building at the Università di Firenze. You must arrive at apartment/residence the date specified in the calendar: (the day before classes start) and you must vacate the apartment before 5:00pm the day after the classes end. Students who don't move out of the apartment on time will be charged a daily rental fee. You cannot arrive at the residence/apartment before the specified date—**no exceptions**. If you plan to arrive before or after the dates established, you **MUST** find a place to stay. MLSA recommends Hotel Il Gran Duca, which our students have used in the past: [www.ilgranduca.it](http://www.ilgranduca.it), or [info@ilgranduca.it](mailto:info@ilgranduca.it). Students will be placed in apartments with two-to-six other students of the same sex in double or single rooms. MLSA will try to match students' requests concerning housing and roommates, but it cannot be guaranteed. If you know other students participating in the program we can place you in the same apartment or near by. Specific details about moving in and moving out of housing will be provided approximately 2-weeks prior to departure. Once the student is placed in a specific apartment, he/she will not be able to change housing assignment, due to prepayment. In case of such a change, the student is responsible to pay the fees imposed by the renting contract.

## CULTURAL EXCURSIONS/ACTIVITIES

Optional excursions will be available to students to cities in Italy such as Venezia, Roma, Siena, etc. Details will be available upon arrival or 2-weeks prior to departure. To participate in the excursions students are required to register at the Università di Firenze's office. In the afternoon and weekends a number of social and cultural activities such as visits to places of historical interest will be organized by the university. Some museums or activities may require an additional fee.

## TRANSPORTATION IN FLORENCE

Students live within short commuting or walking distance from the classroom building at the Università di Firenze; it shouldn't take more than 25 minutes to arrive at the classroom building.

## ARRIVAL AIRPORT

MLSA students will be met at the Firenze-Peretola International Airport (FLR) formerly Amerigo Vespucci, by MLSA staff, as long as they arrive before 2:00pm on the day before classes start. Dates are subject to change. Contact MLSA office before buying airline ticket. Students must inform MLSA and send complete itinerary 35 days before the arrival date to be met at the airport, where students will be given definite information about the accommodations. Students who arrive before the specific arrival date or after the cut-off time are responsible for their own transportation to the housing. A taxi from Florence Peretola (Vespucci) Airport to City centre is a set fare of € 20.00 (plus baggage supplements of € 1.00 per item). Arrival services are exclusively for MLSA students. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

## RETURN TRANSPORTATION

Transportation to the airport at the end of program **is not included** in the price. Participants are responsible for their own transportation back to the airport on departure day.

## PAYMENT SCHEDULE

### (unless otherwise specified)

Application fee, when submitted .....	\$100
(Non-refundable unless the applicant is not accepted— MLSA will confirm your acceptance)	
Confirmation deposit (2 weeks after acceptance).....	\$500
1st payment due March 15.....	\$1000
2nd payment due March 30.....	\$500
Final payment due April 10.....	Balance
<i>If all payments are not made by April 10, a \$200 late fee will be applied.</i>	

Pay by **check, money order, cashier's check to:**

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P. O. BOX 548  
FRANKFORT, IL 60423

MLSA will assess a \$50 processing fee if a check is returned to us by the drawer's bank

French Language, Culture & Literature Courses  
**UNIVERSITE LYON 2**  
University of Lyon, France  
Summer Study Programs

**ATTENTION: Please note that the Lyon Program is tentatively open for for groups only.**

**\$3,985**

**WHAT IS INCLUDED:**

- Transfer from the airport to the apartment, ONLY if students come as a group and at the same time and in the same flight
- Pass for urban transportation in Lyon for the entire duration of the program
- Tuition, 6 graduate, undergraduate credits (4 weeks)
- Official Transcript
- Student ID
- Access to the university libraries, computers lab, sports facilities
- Pre-departure orientation:
- Welcome service for Students Abroad (Mission d'Accueil des Etudiants Venus d'Ailleurs, MAEVA)
- On-Site orientation on campus of the university
- **Welcome and farewell parties**
- MLSA staff on campus and on-site
- **Guided excursion to Paris**
- **Visit to Avignon – Festival –**
- **Cultural activities: Discover Lyon, Themed visits of Lyon**
- Accommodations in apartments, with kitchen, stove, microwave, refrigerator

- Double occupancy: Single available at additional fees.
- Activities organized by MLSA/CIEF:
- Press and information room
- Evening activities with Lyon 2.
- Alter Ego meeting program set up by the International Relations Division.
- Events organized by the Lyon 2 culture department.

**NOT INCLUDED:**

- Books
- Airfare (MLSA will make flight arrangements only for groups upon request)
- **Return transportation to the airport**
- Meals
- Application fee (\$100)
- **Optional excursions to Annecy (near the Alps) or Marseille**
- Extra Transcripts
- All expenses not stated

*\*Excursions, courses, dates, and fees subject to change*

## 4-Week Intensive Program

A program designed for teachers, graduate, and undergraduate students

### UNIVERSITE LYON 2

The Université Lyon 2 is a very prestigious university officially accredited by the Minister of Education of France. The department of French for foreign students at the Université Lyon 2 has made its mission to teach French as a foreign language. In the last several years, thousands of students from all over the world have participated in the summer, semester, and year programs.

### PROGRAMS AT UNIVERSITE LYON 2

Visit our webpage, [www.mlsa.com](http://www.mlsa.com), for exact program dates.

#### 4-WEEK PROGRAM

Mid-June to Mid-July

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The program is open to teachers, college students, high school graduates, and individuals who will benefit from the cultural experience. Evidence of good health, maturity, and adaptability to a foreign environment is required for the beginning, intermediate, and conversation courses. For undergrad students, a minimum 2.5 GPA is required.

### HOW TO ENROLL

Complete the **Application and Release Forms (pg. 23-25)**. Send to MLSA, P. O. BOX 548, FRANKFORT, IL 60423, with a \$100 registration fee and a digital passport-size recent headshot photo (min. "fine" quality to [info@mlsa.com](mailto:info@mlsa.com)). Make checks payable to MLSA. Registration application forms also available at [www.mlsa.com](http://www.mlsa.com).

### FACULTY AND STAFF

All courses are taught in French by faculty members from the Université Lyon 2. A program director and assistant will be in residence to counsel, supervise, and help American students.

### ORIENTATION PROGRAM – IDENTITY CARD

At the beginning of the program there will be an orientation to familiarize the students with the facilities and the university system. Students will be given an ID card from the university, which will allow them to visit museums, monuments, and libraries.

### CLASSES AND CREDITS

All the classes will be conducted in the morning for approximately four hours per day, Monday through Friday, for a total of 72 contact hours. Classes will accommodate students at almost any undergraduate level: beginner, intermediate & advanced. Students receive a certificate upon completion with the courses completed, hours, and grades.

## COURSE OFFERING

CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING COURSES.

### ELEMENTARY LEVEL COURSE (DISCOVERY A1 – SURVIVAL A2)

This course consists of three parts: projects, language workshop, and shared activities for a total of 72 contact hours.

PROJECTS allow students to perfect their language skills and make it easier to come into contact with native speakers and the everyday written word, and includes oral and written interaction, completion of reading/writing reports, articles, questionnaires, presentations conducting interviews. Projects include: survey, stereotypes, encounters, scavenger hunts, theater, creative writing, animated photos, games, and newspaper.

LANGUAGE WORKSHOPS divide students into groups based on level to improve written skills, spoken skills, phonetics, grammar and lexical skills.

SHARED ACTIVITIES take place in groups and consist of group and/or individual presentations and guided tours.

### INTERMEDIATE AND ADVANCED LEVEL COURSE (INDEPENDENT B1/B2 AND EXPERIENCED C1/C2)

This course consists of three parts: projects, language workshop, and shared activities for a total of 72 contact hours.

PROJECTS: The activities make it easier to come into contact with native speakers and the everyday written word. Assessment is based on oral and written interaction, as well as the completion of certain tasks: reading/writing reports, articles, questionnaires, presentation of a survey, preparing/conducting interviews and visits, preparation of a photography exhibit.

LANGUAGE WORKSHOPS improve skills through individualized work on phonetics, grammatical and lexical tools, formal and informal writing.

SHARED ACTIVITIES take place in groups. Students will interact with one another during a guided tours, presentations, and projects.

\*The content of the course is subject to certain changes with open options if there are 10 students enrolled.

### PEDAGOGICAL COURSE FOR TEACHERS

This course is for future teachers, current teachers, and those who train future teachers. Total contact hours are 72.

This course exposes teachers to pedagogical situations and classroom techniques that they will then be able to re-use in their French as a Foreign Language classrooms or training programs. Their experience provides a basis for methodological reflection and production which moves progressively from exercises to pedagogical sequences. Depending on the needs of the students, written and oral language proficiency classes may be offered.

Course content includes: Spoken Language and Pedagogy of the Spoken Word; Written Language and Pedagogy of the Written Word; Strategies for Understanding the Written and Spoken Word; Grammar and Communication; Civilization: which content for which type of teaching?; Intercultural Perspectives; Communication and Interactions in Language Classes; TICE (information and communication technology used by the teacher); Games as a Means of Teaching Languages; French for Specific Objectives, specialized French, thematic French; Teaching FLE at the University Lumière Lyon 2; Pedagogical Use of the Lyon Environment.

Additional workshops (theatre, songs, knowledge of cultural heritage) are also proposed).

### TEXTBOOKS

Students will purchase all the textbooks the first day of class in the University. You should plan to spend approximately \$25-30.

### HOUSING AND MEALS

Students will be housed in apartments (double occupancy—single available at an additional cost) within commuting distance of the classroom building at the Université de Lyon. Apartments have kitchen, stove, microwave (most of them), refrigerator, and all kitchen utensils. MLSA will try to match students' requests concerning housing and roommates, but it cannot be guaranteed. If you know other students participating in the program we can place you in the same apartment or nearby.

Specific details about rooming, moving in and moving out of housing will be provided before departure, in time to review them.

### CULTURAL EXCURSIONS/ACTIVITIES—PRICE EXCLUDED

Optional excursions will also be available to students. Description and cost of excursion locations will be sent to students once they are admitted in the program. To participate in the excursions students are required to register and pay in advance. In the afternoon and weekends a number of social and cultural activities such as visits to places of historical interest will be organized: a variety of museums, evening activities, and other activities in Lyon and nearby sites. (Some museums require an entrance fee.)

### TRANSPORTATION IN LYON—PASS TRANSPORTATION

Students live within short commuting or walking distance from the classroom building at the Université Lyon 2. Lyon's public transport agency, TCL, has a commuter card called "la carte Técély". Students can visit a TCL office to purchase the pass (approximately 30 euros for the month) for public transportation: metro, tramway, trolleybus. The card itself costs 5 euros.

### ARRIVAL AIRPORT

MLSA students will be met at the Saint Exupéry Airport in Lyon by MLSA staff, as long as they arrive before 2:00pm on the day before classes start. Contact MLSA office before buying airline ticket. Students who arrive before the specific arrival date or after the cut-off time are responsible for their own transportation to the housing, and will not be met by MLSA reps. Transportation by tram from the Lyon Airport to the downtown Lyon-Part Dieux departs every 30 minutes and costs 14 euros. A taxi to the same locations costs 45 euros during the day and 55 to 60 euros at night.

### RETURN TRANSPORTATION

Transportation to the airport at the end of program **is not included** in the price. **EACH STUDENT IS RESPONSIBLE TO GET THEIR OWN TRANSPORTATION BACK TO THE AIRPORT.**

### PROGRAM COSTS:

4-WEEK PROGRAM **\$3,985**

### PAYMENT SCHEDULE (unless otherwise specified)

Application fee, when submitted .....	\$100
(Non-refundable unless the applicant is not accepted—	
MLSA will confirm your acceptance)	
Confirmation deposit (2 weeks after acceptance).....	\$500
1st payment due March 15.....	\$1000
2nd payment due March 30.....	\$500
Final payment due April 10.....	Balance

*If all payments are not made by April 10, a \$200 late fee will be applied.*

**MAKE ALL YOUR PAYMENTS TO:**  
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FRANKFORT, IL 60423

Payments by personal check are accepted up to 75 days prior to the departure date. Payments made 74 or fewer days before departure have to be made by cashier's check or money order. MLSA will assess a \$50 processing fee if a check is returned to us by the drawer's bank.



# Faculty-Led and Custom Programs

Let MLSA organize your next group!

Whether you're searching for a program that allows classes to be taught by your own faculty or one that allows a combination of faculty taught courses and host instructors, MLSA can offer you the support and expertise to create your custom program in Spain, Italy, France, or Costa Rica.

Our staff makes the process of planning a custom program as smooth as possible for you, because we take care of the logistics from start to finish.

## Past and present Faculty-Led Partners

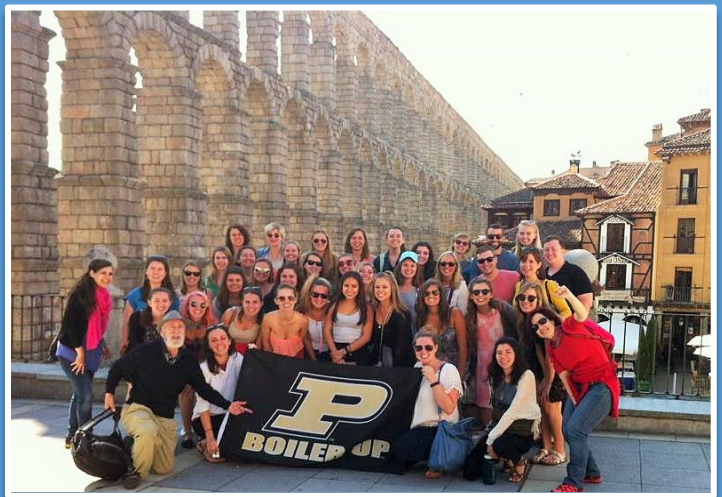
California State University Fullerton

Purdue University

San Diego City College

San Diego Mesa College

Texas A&M University



## GENERAL INFORMATION: ALL PROGRAMS

### ON-SITE DIRECTORS AND STAFF

MLSA has offices on-site in each country. Office hours are held when students can receive help for academic or non-academic concerns, and the staff is available 24/7 for emergency and non-emergencies.

### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Initial applications will only be accepted and considered completed when they are submitted with the following materials:

- Application form completed with all information requested.
- Release & Agreement form legibly printed and signed.
- Be sure to include full name as it should appear in all the academic documentation AND two current email addresses. Sometimes schools block our emails, AND EMAIL IS OUR MEANS OF COMMUNICATING ALL INFORMATION).
- Two passport-style photos size 2x2 inches. Must be original photos and passport quality.
- \$100 registration fee (non-refundable).

### DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION

<b>Spain, Italy, France:</b>	
Summer programs:	Mar. 15
<b>Costa Rica:</b>	
Summer I program:	Mar. 1
Summer II program:	Mar. 15
Winter program:	Oct. 30

**For groups**, deadlines for applications and payments may vary. Please check with your sponsor.

### ADDITIONAL MATERIALS REQUIRED LATER

- \$500 payment made two weeks after being accepted—and remaining payments made according to specific schedule.
- Housing & Medical form for students living in host families
- Participant Behavior form legibly printed and signed.
- Copy of the first page of the passport (when available).
- Itinerary of flight arrangements: airline, flight number, place and time of arrival, NOT LATER THAN 35 days before program starts.

### LATE APPLICANTS/LATE PAYMENTS

We welcome students up until the very last minute, provided we have space and we can make arrangements for them to join the program after the deadline. Contact the MLSA office before sending your application. Applications received are accepted on a rolling basis until the program is filled. However, due to the extra administrative work, a **service charge of \$200 per person will be assessed to students joining the program after the deadline or to participants who fall behind in their payment schedule**. Students enrolling after the deadline must send full payment with the applications, plus the \$200 late fee.

## **PAYMENTS**

Can be made by check, cashier's check, or money order to MLSA. If applicant is not accepted, the deposit will be returned; if applicant is accepted and later withdraws from the program, the registration fee will not be refunded. Credit cards are not accepted. A \$50 fee will be charged if a check is not accepted by the bank. Students register for summer/winter semester and pay for summer/winter tuition, not per credit.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS TO SPAIN AND COSTA RICA (SUMMER PROGRAMS ONLY)**

### SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SPANISH TEACHERS

**The National Spanish Examination** will offer full scholarships to Spain and Costa Rica to Spanish teachers interested in studying Spanish in Spain and Costa Rica through MLSA (Modern Language Studies Abroad). For eligibility requirements and applications, go to [www.nationalspanishexam.org](http://www.nationalspanishexam.org).

### SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SPANISH TEACHERS

MLSA will also offer scholarships to Spanish teachers who take at least 10-12 paid university students or high school seniors to Spain—or university students or graduated high school students to Costa Rica, who are interested in taking courses for college credits.

### SCHOLARSHIPS FOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS GIVEN BY MLSA

Requirements:

1. Be pursuing major/minor in Spanish; interested in study in Spain or Costa Rica.
2. You must be accepted in the MLSA program.
3. Write an essay on "Why I am interested in studying abroad."
4. Have a 3.30 GPA.
5. Send an official college transcript.
6. Have one of your Spanish teachers submit to us a letter of recommendation.

*Scholarship application deadline is March 31. The payment schedule must still be followed while you are waiting to hear results.*

## **SPENDING MONEY**

Basic costs are kept at a minimum and the only additional spending money would be for incidentals: refreshments, postage, shopping, daily public transportation, optional tours, weekend travel, souvenirs, lunch in Costa Rica. Meals in Florence (apartments only) and Lyon are not included but apartments have complete kitchens.

## **CREDIT CARDS/ATM MACHINES**

Visa or MasterCard are the most commonly accepted in Costa Rica and Europe. There are ATM machines everywhere in Spain, Costa Rica, Italy, and France. Check with your bank about international fees.

## **PASSPORT**

Students are responsible for obtaining all travel documentation, including passports. For those who do not currently hold a passport, apply as soon as you receive acceptance. Routine passport processing times are 4 to 6 weeks. Check the expiration date on your passport carefully before traveling abroad. Entry into Costa Rica require that your passport be valid for the length of stay. Entry into any of the 28 European countries in the Schengen area, requires that your passport be valid for at least three months beyond your intended date of departure. If your passport does not meet the requirements, you may be refused boarding by the airline at your point of origin or while transferring planes. You could also be denied entry when you arrive in country. For this reason, **it is recommend that your passport have at least six months' validity after your planned return date whenever you travel abroad.** No money will be refunded for lack of documentation needed.

## **VISA**

U.S. citizens do not need a visa to travel to Europe or Costa Rica unless you stay longer than 3 months. Non-US citizens need to contact the consulate of their native country for visa information.

## **IMMUNIZATION SHOTS**

Europe and Costa Rica do not require any inoculations. Please check with your family doctor for additional confirmation or suggestions on your personal health needs. Non-US citizens also check with your native consulate.

## **CANCELLATION AND REFUNDS POLICY**

Cancellation from the program must be done in writing to MLSA, P. O. Box 548, Frankfort, IL 60423. Verbal cancellations will not be honored. The postmark of the U.S. Postal Service will be the effective determining date for all cancellations. The student agrees to accept the terms of the Refund Policy as outlined in the application and specified here. If a participant withdraws more than 60 days before leaving, amount withheld is \$400, anything after that will be refunded. If he/she withdraws 59 to 30 days prior to departure, *amount* withheld is \$900, anything after that will be refunded. If 29 days or less prior to departure, amount withheld is \$1,500, anything after that will be refunded less the \$100 non-refundable registration fee. Once the trip has begun, **NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES OR ANY REASON** for tuition, unused accommodations, meals, land transportation, hotels or other activities. No reduction or refunds will be made for services not used by the student and no substitutions will be allowed for services not used. Services cannot be transferred to another person. We recommend the purchase of trip cancellation insurance.

## **INSURANCE**

All participants in the program are required to have medical insurance. Additional insurance can be obtained to protect participants against cancellations and lost or damaged baggage. Cancellation insurance is a must to avoid disappointment of having to miss the program because of illness or other reasons, and to lose all your money.

## **PLACEMENT TEST**

A placement test will be given to ensure that each student is placed in the level and group most suited to his/her needs and knowledge of the language. No placement test will be given to students in the graduate program. Students placed in the wrong level can change to a lower or higher level the first two days. It is not allowed to attend classes of different levels or to change sections within the same level without going through the add/drop procedure.

## **WHAT TO PACK**

It is difficult to provide a complete list of precisely what to pack. It is a good basic rule of thumb to pack as little as possible. In your acceptance packet you will get a list of suggested items to pack.

## **PHONE CALLS**

US cell phones may not work in Spain, Costa Rica, Italy, or France. Students are suggested to bring or purchase a pay-as-you-go cell phone or SIM card. Information on phones sent upon acceptance.

## **STUDENTS' RULES OF BEHAVIOR**

Students will be required to sign a rules of behavior form that is sent once the student has been accepted.

## **ARRIVAL DATE**

Students need to arrive at their housing arrangements on the specific date before the classes start, not before—**no exceptions**. If you arrive before the designated date, you have to stay in a hotel or make other arrangements. You are responsible for your living arrangements before and after the established dates of the program. Please be sure to send our office flight information: name of the airline, flight number, and time of arrival **35 days before departure**.

## **AIRPORT RECEPTION AND TRANSFERS**

In Madrid, MLSA representatives will be at the Madrid Airport (MAD). Transportation from the airport in Madrid to the residences will be provided by MLSA buses for students arriving during the established arrival date and times scheduled. Students need to arrive at the airport no later than 2:00 pm; those arriving later than 2:00 pm must take a taxi to the residence (30 euros fixed rate). Students with homestays in Spain will be picked up by their families at the airport. In Costa Rica, you must arrive by 6:00 p.m. Participants arriving after this time will take a taxi directly to the host family (35 USD). Before departure, students will be informed about the specific times, places, and sites at the airport to meet the MLSA staff and buses or meet families to go to the residences or host family. This is a general time frame and details will be sent closer to departure based on participant flight itineraries.

**Return transportation to the airport on the designated departure day is not included in the program fee and is the sole responsibility of the participant.**

### **AIR TRANSPORTATION – AIRFARE**

Students are responsible to purchase their own international air tickets, unless you travel with a specific sponsoring university or school group. Before purchasing the airline tickets, contact the MLSA office for travel support; they may be able to help you with valuable information about prices and airlines. MLSA will only make travel arrangements for groups from universities.

### **HOUSING**

All families are screened and evaluated every year by the students and the director of families in our office in Costa Rica. Students are in private rooms. All families go through orientation to inform them about their responsibilities. All students must complete a Housing & Medical form where they list preferences, medical conditions, and special needs. The director of families will make all efforts to accommodate individual needs and preferences, but MLSA cannot guarantee to fulfill them all.

Students need to arrive to the housing assigned (families, residences, apartments) on the specific day and time before classes start—NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

Students must vacate the university residences in Madrid before 2:00 pm the day after the last day of classes or closing ceremony. Students hosted by families in Madrid and Costa Rica, and the students hosted in apartments in Florence, and Lyon must depart before 7:00 pm the day after the last day of classes or the day after the closing ceremony.

As a general rule, no changes in the assigned housing are permitted, once the housing has been established, approved, and confirmed. Only in some cases and special circumstances will changes be allowed.

Once housing assignment has been approved and confirmed, and money has been paid to secure it, a penalty will be established for breaking the agreement—in addition to any other fees originated by any type of change. Students agree to respect and abide by all the specific policies, rules, regulations, instructions, written or unwritten, imposed to every resident living in the premises; a signed release and agreement form will be required of all participants. A \$500 refundable deposit for all apartments is required to guarantee against possible damages to the premises.

### **EXCURSIONS**

MLSA sponsors excursions in Costa Rica, Italy, and one excursion in Spain. Other excursions/activities are sponsored by the host university to cities, places important for their history, customs, art, architecture or natural beauty: Excursions/activities include an MLSA guide or a faculty tour guide and one-day or three-day excursions include transportation. Entrance fees in Spain may be required with the student ID for visits to museums, monuments, etc. Students are required to use public transportation for cultural activities in Madrid, Spain.

Transportation and seats FOR ALL EXCURSIONS are limited on a 1st-come, 1st-served basis. Check on deadlines for specific excursions.

### **ORIENTATIONS**

Before departure, the MLSA office will assist students with information related to academics, course selection, transfer of credits, and travel issues. Once in Spain, Costa Rica, Italy, or France, the MLSA staff will have on-site orientation and introduce participants to the city, university campus facilities and offices; will assist with cultural shock, personal safety, health issues, and living arrangements, to ensure students make a smooth transition. Attendance at these orientations is required. You will receive a folder with information about family, residences, student ID, and other important materials.

### **MEDICAL AND HEALTH**

All students are required to have medical insurance before participating in the program. MLSA in Madrid provides the services of our private doctors for the organization for around 40 euros/visit. He/she will see our students daily on short notice, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; hospitals are nearby for emergencies. In Costa Rica, students will be able to be attended during the day by medically staffed pharmacies, if necessary for immediate care; or by hospitals. In Costa Rica, you must present a major credit card at hospitals. In Italy and France, the MLSA office will help with medical needs.

### **TRANSCRIPTS – CREDIT TRANSFER – GRADES – ATTENDANCE**

At the end of the program, students will receive grades and credits reported on an official transcript from the universities in Spain, Costa Rica, Italy, and France (not from MLSA). Grades will be recorded in both the American letter system (A, B, C, D, F) and the European/Latin American points system (5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10). At the end of the program, you will be asked to write down the address where you want the transcript to be sent in the United States. Be very specific about the office and person who will receive the transcript so the transcript does not get lost. **The transcript will not be released until all payments and all fees have been paid.**

Attendance at classes is required; if the student misses 3 days of classes in Costa Rica, France or Italy, or 4 days in Spain, he/she will not receive any credits or any documentation testifying that he has participated in the program. A number of late arrivals to class will be considered as one absence.

All courses offered are given on SEMESTER basis. The universities recommend credits to be equivalent to semester credit in American universities. All credits earned under these programs are transferable and will entitle the students to an official transcript, a grade and credit report from the universities which are fully accredited institutions. Although they are fully accredited, the accreditation of these courses and counting the credits towards fulfillment of graduate or undergraduate requirements, teacher certification, or to receive credit in your major/minor WILL DEPEND SOLELY on the decision of the authorities or correspondent departments of the universities of each student. All departments and schools reserve the right to determine how much and what type of credit you may receive. Students are advised to clear all courses with their home school before traveling to Spain, Costa Rica, France, or Italy. Talk to your academic advisor at your own institution, or the person who is going to approve the transfer of credits to your university, institution, organization, to get the courses pre-approved before participating in the program. Complete the Academic Approval, Home School Authorization for transfer of credits form (ask MLSA office for the form); have it signed by your advisor if it is necessary and you want credits; keep the original and make a copy and send it to our MLSA office. **Please note that the course offerings listed in the brochure and on the MLSA website are subject to change based on factors such as enrollment and/or teaching faculty at the host university. If a change occurs, immediately contact your advisor for re-approval.**



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## The benefit of choosing MLSA

- MLSA support services pre-departure help you...
  - Choose the right program
  - Select and enroll you in your courses
  - Work with your home university for transfer of credit
  - Advise on financial aid options and scholarships
  - Prepare you for your trip
- Tuition with transcript or diploma by world-renowned host universities\*
- Airport pick-up
  - On arrival day for students who arrive at the designated time
- Housing
  - Residence halls, host families, or shared apartments\*
- Meals
  - Some programs offer three meals a day in the dining hall or home-cooked meals in your host family, sure to give you a taste of the host country.\*
- Laundry
  - In some residence halls and in host families.
- Cultural activities
  - These might include walking tours, visits to museums, or historical sites, monuments\*\*
- On-site orientation on campus of the university
- MLSA resident director and staff on-site
- Emergency support on-site 24/7
- MLSA Scholarships
  - For undergraduate students and high school teachers studying in Spain and Costa Rica
- Optional Excursions

## Universidad de Costa Rica Program Fee Comparison

Starting from

# \$1,985

\*Prices subject to change

MLSA	CEA	ISA	SOL	AIFS	API
\$1,985	\$3,995	\$3,975	\$2,995*	\$4,995	\$3,880

\*Three-week program.

\*\*Current prices at the time of publication found on websites of programs similar in location, duration, and number of credits offered.

## MLSA PROGRAMS APPLICATION & REGISTRATION FORM

MUST INCLUDE "Release and Agreement", pg.26

I AM APPLYING TO ATTEND:

UNIVERSIDAD COMPLUTENSE DE MADRID,

UNIVERSIDAD ANTONIO DE NEBRIJA (Madrid)

UNIVERSIDAD DE COSTA RICA,

UNIVERSITÀ DI FIRENZE (Florence)

UNIVERSITE LUMIERE LYON

### IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS

1. Provide all information and sign.
2. Include "Release and Agreement".
3. Enclose \$100 registration fee.
4. Include two passport-size recent **head shot color** photos with first & last name on back.

**PERSONAL DATA** (Your name as it would appear on your passport and in your transcript)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
First Last

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email (Important!) \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate/Back-up Email \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_ Sex M \_\_\_\_ F \_\_\_\_ Citizenship: USA \_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Passport # (send later if unavailable) \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License # or student I.D. \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher \_\_\_\_ Student \_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_ High School \_\_\_\_ University \_\_\_\_ Freshman \_\_\_\_ Sophomore \_\_\_\_ Junior \_\_\_\_ Senior \_\_\_\_

Completed to date: Graduate \_\_\_\_ Undergraduate \_\_\_\_ Degree \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_ Minor \_\_\_\_\_

Academic Advisor's name, address, phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear of the MLSA program? \_\_\_\_\_

Student \_\_\_\_ Faculty member \_\_\_\_ Study Abroad Office \_\_\_\_ Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Name and mailing address of the office and institution where you want the transcript to be sent \_\_\_\_\_

Courses I Plan on taking (turn over) PLEASE FILL OUT ON BACK

### PERSON TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address (city, state, zip) \_\_\_\_\_

Program fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**IF AVAILABLE, PLEASE PROVIDE FLIGHT INFORMATION.** (*E-mail or mail not later than 35 days before departure*):

Arrival Date \_\_\_\_\_ Originating City \_\_\_\_\_ Airline \_\_\_\_\_ FLT. # \_\_\_\_\_ Arrival Time \_\_\_\_\_

Return Date \_\_\_\_\_ Return City \_\_\_\_\_ Airline \_\_\_\_\_ FLT. # \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Time \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL DISCLOSURE** While not required, it is advisable that health concerns, both mental and physical, be disclosed to MLSA at the time of application. The disclosure of this information will not result in our denying admission to any student, but will allow MLSA to prepare and/or provide information relevant to his/her selected program in a timely manner. Disability services vary by program, university, and country, thus MLSA cannot guarantee that all services offered at a participant's home university can be matched abroad. Efforts are made to provide special accommodations, within reason. However, differences in disability services can be significant from one country or city to another, and it is beneficial to all involved if students are fully advised of services in advance. The differences in disabilities services within a particular city or host university will not be grounds for grade contestation or exceptions to our cancellation policies.

1. Is the applicant in good physical and mental health? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
2. Has the applicant ever required psychiatric care? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
3. Is the applicant under medical treatment? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
4. Do you have any allergies or require special medical attention that may affect your travels? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_
5. Do you require special assistance? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ (If yes to 2-5, please explain and attach details.)
6. Do you smoke? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

**COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION:** 1) Did you sign and include the "Release and Agreement", pg.23? 2) Please enclose a \$100 check payable to MLSA for your registration fee and 3) two passport photos. Mail to **MODERN LANGUAGE STUDIES ABROAD**, P.O. Box 548, Frankfort, IL 60423.

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions outlined in the Release and Agreement.

Signature of the Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR MINORS: If applicant is under 18 years of age, the following statement must also be completed and signed in front of a public notary.**

I certify that I'm the parent or legal guardian of the applicant named above, that I have read and that I understand the brochure and the above Agreement, and that I accept and will be bound by its terms and conditions on my own behalf and on behalf of the applicant.

Signature of Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature and Seal of Public Notary \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **PROGRAM & COURSE SELECTION**

**COURSE OFFERING IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. COURSES OFFERED ARE BASED ON A MINIMUM ENROLLMENT.**

### **UNIVERSIDAD COMPLUTENSE DE MADRID** - SELECT YOUR PROGRAM AND COURSES.

**Fall Quarter** (Late-Sept. – Mid-Dec.) \_\_\_\_ **Winter Quarter** (Early Jan. – Late March) \_\_\_\_ **Spring Quarter** (Late March – Late June) \_\_\_\_  
**Intensivo I** (First Two Weeks July) \_\_\_\_ **Intensivo II** (Last Three Weeks July) \_\_\_\_  
**General** (Four Weeks July) \_\_\_\_ **Superior (501 / 502 Courses)** (Four Weeks July) \_\_\_\_ OR (Two Weeks July) \_\_\_\_

**Courses in Grammar:** 101/102 \_\_\_\_ 203/204 \_\_\_\_ 300 \_\_\_\_ 400 \_\_\_\_ 500 \_\_\_\_

[OR]

**Courses in Culture, Literature, Composition, or Conversation (CHOOSE TWO):**

430 Spanish Culture and Civilization \_\_\_\_ 415 Composition II \_\_\_\_ 420 Conversation II \_\_\_\_

**Superior Courses in Literature, Linguistics, Methodology:** 501/502 \_\_\_\_

\*Optional Lectures for additional credit are to be registered for and paid on-site. (Available if you've completed 203 or above.)

Courses taken in Spanish lately \_\_\_\_\_

*Courses for Semester programs may vary. An MLSA representative will contact you after you apply to discuss courses.*

### **UNIVERSIDAD ANTONIO DE NEBRIJA (Madrid)** - SELECT YOUR PROGRAM AND COURSES.

**Fall Semester** (Mid-Sept. – Late Dec.) \_\_\_\_ **Spring Semester** (Early Feb. – Mid-May) \_\_\_\_ **Winter (Month)** (Early Jan. – Early Feb.) \_\_\_\_  
**Summer I** (Early June – Late June) \_\_\_\_ **Summer II** (Early July – Late July) \_\_\_\_ **Summer I & II Combo** (Early June-Late July) \_\_\_\_

**Undergraduate Language and Culture Courses (Please select two. Course titles, levels, and descriptions on pg. 7)**

CH1601 \_\_\_\_ CH1611 \_\_\_\_ CH2601 \_\_\_\_ CH1651 \_\_\_\_ CH2611 \_\_\_\_ CH2651 \_\_\_\_ CH3601 \_\_\_\_ CH3641 \_\_\_\_ CH4601 \_\_\_\_ CH4621 \_\_\_\_ CH4641 \_\_\_\_

**Electives for Advanced Undergraduate and Graduate Learners (Please select two. Course titles, levels, and descriptions on pg. 7)**

Summer I (June) CH3691 \_\_\_\_ CH4652 \_\_\_\_ CH3421 \_\_\_\_ CH3131 \_\_\_\_ I plan on taking these for **graduate level credit**. Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Summer II (July) CH 3421 \_\_\_\_ CH3681 \_\_\_\_ CH4631 \_\_\_\_ I plan on taking these for **graduate level credit**. Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

**Electives Taught in English – All Levels (Please select two. Course titles, levels, and descriptions on pg. 7)**

Summer I (June) Art in Spain \_\_\_\_ European Studies \_\_\_\_

Summer 2 (July) Art in Spain \_\_\_\_ European Studies/Spain Today \_\_\_\_ International Management \_\_\_\_

Courses taken in Spanish lately \_\_\_\_\_

*Courses for Semester programs may vary. An MLSA representative will contact you after you apply to discuss courses.*

### **UNIVERSIDAD DE COSTA RICA**

**Summer I & II Combo (Late May - July)** \_\_\_\_ Select courses for Summer 1 and Summer 2 programs.

**Summer I (Late May– Late June)** \_\_\_\_

CHOOSE **ONE**: 8:00AM-1:20PM 101 \_\_\_\_ 102 \_\_\_\_ 203 \_\_\_\_ 204 \_\_\_\_ 410 \_\_\_\_

OR CHOOSE **TWO**: (Select one from each time block.)

8:00AM-10:25AM: 315 \_\_\_\_ 415 \_\_\_\_ 450 \_\_\_\_ 550 \_\_\_\_

10:55AM-1:20PM: 320 \_\_\_\_ 420 \_\_\_\_ 430 \_\_\_\_ 530 \_\_\_\_

**Summer II (Late June – Late July)** \_\_\_\_

CHOOSE **ONE**: 8:00AM-1:20PM 101 \_\_\_\_ 102 \_\_\_\_ 203 \_\_\_\_ 204 \_\_\_\_ 410 \_\_\_\_ 510 \_\_\_\_

OR CHOOSE **TWO**: (Select one from each time block. Indicate 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> choice for **each** time block.)

8:00AM-10:25AM: 315 \_\_\_\_ 407 \_\_\_\_ 415 \_\_\_\_ 430 \_\_\_\_ 451 \_\_\_\_ 515 \_\_\_\_ 550 \_\_\_\_ 561 \_\_\_\_ 585 \_\_\_\_ 5261 \_\_\_\_ 5262 \_\_\_\_

10:55AM-1:20PM: 320 \_\_\_\_ 420 \_\_\_\_ 430 \_\_\_\_ 450 \_\_\_\_ 496 \_\_\_\_ 507 \_\_\_\_ 520 \_\_\_\_ 530 \_\_\_\_ 580 \_\_\_\_ 594 \_\_\_\_ 595 \_\_\_\_ 596 \_\_\_\_ 597 \_\_\_\_

Courses taken in Spanish lately \_\_\_\_\_

### **UNIVERSITÀ DI FIRENZE (Florence)**

**I PLAN TO ATTEND:** Graduate level \_\_\_\_ Undergraduate level \_\_\_\_

**6-Week** (Mid-June to Late July) \_\_\_\_ **4-Week Program** (Mid-June to Mid-July) \_\_\_\_ **2-Week Program** (Mid-June to Late June) \_\_\_\_

CHOOSE **ONE**: ELEMENTARY (A1 – A2) \_\_\_\_ INTERMEDIATE (A2-B1) \_\_\_\_  
ADVANCED INTERMEDIATE (B1-B2) \_\_\_\_ SUPERIOR (C1) \_\_\_\_

Courses taken in Italian lately \_\_\_\_\_

### **UNIVERSITE LUMIERE LYON 2**

Applicants for Lyon, France, please contact MLSA at 815-464-1800 or info@mlsa.com .



## RELEASE AND AGREEMENT for all programs (must be signed by the participant)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, an applicant for the study program sponsored by Modern Language Studies Abroad (hereby referred as MLSA) agree to the following understanding, binding upon myself and my parents or guardians, if I am under 21 years of age, and upon MLSA.

I, the undersigned (or my guardian if I am a minor) acknowledge that MLSA, its employees and agents, my school board, the teachers, counselors, my local school, the host universities in this country and overseas are not responsible for damages or other liability in connection with the program, or for events beyond their control such as (without limitations) strikes, war, terrorism, loss or theft of personal belongings, delays, weather, acts of God, or government regulations and restrictions; or hotels, restaurants, and other suppliers of program services. I agree to release MLSA, its agents and employees, my local school, the teachers, counselors, directors, and host universities overseas from all claims arising out of such events, acts or omissions.

I understand that MLSA cannot be held responsible for my health, safety and well-being during stay-ahead/behind periods, when I am absent from supervised activities or if I fail to follow the directions of the directors of the program. If I become ill or incapacitated MLSA will assist a student in case of an emergency. I grant MLSA, its personnel or university teachers at their discretion to place me, at my own expense, in a hospital at any point for any services and treatment, or if no hospital is available, to place me in the hands of a local medical doctor for treatment. MLSA and its personnel are further authorized to fly me back to the United States at my expense (or my parents) for medical treatment, if this is deemed necessary by MLSA in consultation with local medical authorities.

I agree to abide by the Participant's Behavior regulations and I understand that MLSA has full authority to terminate participants in its programs and reserves the right to enforce group rules and standards of conduct explained in the brochures and literature. I understand that my failure or refusal to comply with such rules may entail my termination as a participant and my return home at my own or my parents' expense and that I will have no right to refund of any part of my program fees. I will indemnify MLSA, its employees and agents for any financial liability or obligation which I personally incur, or injury, or damage to the person or property of others which I cause, while participating in the MLSA program.

MLSA is the principal agent and is responsible to participants in making arrangements for all services and accommodations included in the program. MLSA shall not be responsible if airlines, restaurants, ground transportation companies and other suppliers of arrangements fail to provide their service or accommodations exactly as set forth in the program literature.

MLSA may cancel any program or any course at the university for insufficient enrollment or otherwise, and may alter transportation arrangements, programs, itineraries, and departure dates and/ or substitute airlines and equipment as required. I agree to accept any such changes without liability for refund. In addition, I understand that MLSA's program prices are based on currently applicable airline tariffs, ground transportation rates, hotel, residences and home stay rates, tuition rates, applicable government taxes, government regulations and currency exchange rates in effect at the time of printing the brochure and are subject to change depending on the tariffs, regulations and rates. I agree that MLSA reserves the right to increase the price of any program by the amount of an increase in its costs. I agree to pay such increased fees and shall not be entitled to cancel my reservations from the program without penalties as set forth in the cancellation and refund section of this agreement and receive a refund solely on this ground.

I agree that any film likeness taken of me while participating in the MLSA program and any of my comments or statements may be used in future materials published by MLSA.

I understand that I am responsible to obtain the required documentation, including passports, visas and health certificates. My failure to do so will not entitle me to any refund.

### REFUND POLICY

I understand that if I wish to cancel my reservation in the program, I must do so in writing to MLSA - P.O. Box 548, Frankfort, IL 60423. Verbal cancellations will not be honored. The postmark of the USA Postal Service will be the effective determining date for all cancellations. I accept the terms of the Refund Policy as outlined in the brochures and specified here.

The \$100 registration fee/deposit is NON-REFUNDABLE.

If a participant withdraws:

- More than 60 days before departure: Amount withheld is \$400; anything above that will be refunded
- 59 to 30 days before departure: Amount withheld is \$900; anything above that will be refunded
- 29 days or less prior to departure: 20% of total program cost

Once the trip has begun, NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES FOR ANY REASON for tuition, unused accommodations, meals, land/airline transportation, excursions, hotels or other activities. No reduction or refunds will be made from services omitted by me and no substitutions will be allowed for services not used. Services cannot be transferred to another person. We recommend the purchase of Trip Cancellation Insurance. We can supply you with forms and suggested companies.

I agree to forward payments by dates due. A service charge of \$200 per person will be assessed to students joining the program after April 10 or participants who fall behind in their payment schedule. Students enrolling less than 75 days before departure must send full payment with the application.

I certify that I have read in full the RELEASE AND AGREEMENT and agree that all terms and conditions stated therein are fully incorporated in this agreement and the brochure. I agree to be bound hereby, and to comply therewith. I further understand that this agreement will be effective only upon my acceptance by MLSA as participant in the program and shall be governed by the laws of the state of Illinois.

Signature of the Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature and Seal of Public Notary \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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