

Eligibility

Program objective is primarily to offer an opportunity to summer students of Spanish to practice their language skills in a total linguistic and cultural immersion environment. However, all UW students are eligible and welcome to apply. Minimum requirement is Spanish 102 or equivalent to be completed by the beginning of the program. Non-UW students can also participate in this program by submitting a Non-matriculated Student Application and by paying a \$250 fee due by June 12, 2009.

Application Dates

Applications are available at the Spanish and Portuguese Main Office, Padelford C-104.

The deadline to submit applications is April 6, 2009. Applications will be considered on a first come and on a space available basis so students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.

Financial Aid

Most forms of financial aid can be utilized during participation in the program. Participants who are on financial aid should contact the Financial Aid Office to verify that their awards will apply. For more information go to: <http://ipe.washington.edu>

Further questions about the program can be answered by Jorge González-Casanova, Program Director ([panta@u.](mailto:panta@u.washington.edu)) or Estefanía Yanci ([yanci@u.](mailto:yanci@u.washington.edu))

Cost

Total program fees: \$1,800. All fees will be charged to the student's account and should be paid at Student Fiscal Services on the following schedule:

- \$350 non-refundable deposit and \$250 non-refundable IPE fee, June 12, 2009 (*You must sign a payment contract to complete your application and to secure your place in the program.*)
- \$500 program fee payment (balance for non-mat students), July 10, 2009.
- \$950 program balance, Oct. 16, 2009.

Program fees include instructional costs, room and board (three daily meals), guided visits in Quito, excursions, class materials, and Internet access. Fees do *not* include airfare, personal spending money, International Student ID card, or \$250 IPE fee.

Refund Schedule

A student withdrawing from the program by May 22 must pay the non-refundable \$350 program deposit; by June 26, must pay 25% of total program fee; by July 24, must pay 50%; by August 22, 75%; after the start of the program, 100%. Notice of withdrawal from the program must be made **in writing** to the Spanish and Portuguese Department AND to the IPE Office. The withdrawal form is available on-line at <http://ipe.washington.edu/forms/Withdraw/Defer.pdf>.

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During the early fall of 2009 (August 24 – September 19) the Department of Spanish and Portuguese will offer a total immersion cultural program in Ecuador. The purpose of this program is to provide students of Spanish with an opportunity to apply their knowledge of the language and the culture in a total immersion experience.

Please note that students are expected to arrive in Quito no later than Sunday, August 23.

The program consists of the following: Two daily hours of conversational Spanish (Monday-Friday: weeks I and II; Monday-Wednesday: week III; and Monday-Thursday: week IV); one hour of workshop in Salsa dance, (same schedule as conversational Spanish classes); one weekly lecture on *Ecuador: The Meeting of Cultures*; one weekly guided visit to sites of cultural and historical interest in Quito; two one-day excursions to Otavalo and *Mitad del Mundo*, one 4-day excursion to Baños, Riobamba, and the Devil's Nose

Students in the program will maintain their UW residency and any financial aid eligibility already established. Credits earned will be recorded on student's UW transcripts and apply directly to UW graduation requirements.

Housing and board (three meals per day) for students will be arranged with families in Quito. Houses are typically located in areas for easy access to school and city amenities.



Courses

Conversational Spanish. Students will receive 34 hours of conversation in the Spanish language, which will give them an opportunity to practice the grammar and lexicon learned in their UW courses. These sessions will also include grammar review.

Students will earn 5 UW credits in SPAN 199 or 299. Credits will be posted on the student's Fall Quarter transcript.

Criteria for evaluation are as follows:

Participation and HW	30%
Oral Exam	20%
Essay	50%

The essay will be based on a topic chosen by student and previously approved by the Resident Director. The deadline for essay submission will be ten (10) days after the conclusion of the program (September 29, 2009).



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