

## INTENSIVE SPANISH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE PROGRAM FOR HIGHER EDUCATION STUDENTS

UPM SUMMER SCHOOL 2019

The Spanish Language and Culture Courses are designed for international students intending to start or continue their studies at the *Universidad Politécnica de Madrid (UPM)*, or for those who intend to spend a term/year at any Spanish University and need to have a previous knowledge of Spanish communicative skills.

The program is a 4-week course covering Spanish language and cultural components run by CENTRO DE LENGUAS-UPM during the month of July, combining language and culture face to face lessons with outdoor cultural activities. The program includes:

- Spanish Language course run by experts in **Spanish communication skills**.
- Indoor/Outdoor Cultural Activities.

### PROGRAM SCHEDULE

JULY 2019						
L	M	X	J	V	S	D
					29	30
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	26	27	28	29

- Arrival and Departure
- Free days for independent
- Academic Activities.  
Spanish Language lessons
- Final exam
- Cultural Activities and  
guided tours
- Closing Ceremony

### METHODOLOGY

Based on an immersion, communication-based approach to language acquisition, the emphasis of classroom activities is the development of the students' abilities to communicate in Spanish. Nonetheless, grammar, vocabulary, reading and writing skills are also addressed.

A wide variety of materials are used, both paper and online. Additionally, original materials produced by our teachers are used.

Our goal is not just to make our students “know” the language but to make them feel they can use it on a daily basis.

### DURATION

One month course: **120 hours** (4 weeks), organized as follows:

- Spanish Language and Culture lessons: 60 face-to-face hours.
- Team work tutored activities: 20 hours.
- Outdoor cultural activities: 40 hours.

### LEVELS

This intensive course offers the following levels according to the *Common European Reference Framework for Languages (CEFR)*: A1 (*Breakthrough*), A2 (*Waystage*), B1 (*Threshold*), B2 (*Vantage*). Students will be required to take a placement test at the beginning of the course.



## TIMETABLE

Lessons will take place from Monday to Thursday:

**9:00 – 11:00** - Spanish Language face-to-face session 1

**11:30 – 13:30** - Spanish Language face-to-face session 2

## VENUE

Lessons will be held at the UPM Campus located in the city center. The final location will be disclosed a few days before the course starting date.

## EVALUATION AND CERTIFICATES

Students will be awarded a certificate, based on attendance and performance, stating the course level and attained grade duly signed and sealed by **the UPM Language Center**. The certificate includes the level, attendance (80% compulsory), grades and 8 ECTS (5 per academic activities + 3 per cultural activities).

## CULTURAL PROGRAM

The Cultural Program is scheduled mainly on **Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays**. Cultural contents include:

- Guided cultural walks around the most artistic areas downtown Madrid: the cathedral, ancient heritage churches, museums, the Royal Palace, etc.
- Day sightseeing trip to Toledo.
- Spanish Art Seminar.
- Flamenco Seminar with dancing practice.

## ENROLMENT FEES

**Tuition fee: 1.200€**

The international students that have already been accepted at UPM for academic year 2019/20 have a **30% of discount** in the Course Fee.

**The total course enrolment fee covers:**

- Teaching materials (textbooks and photocopies).
- Cultural programme, including museum tickets and bus to Toledo.
- Certificate of achievement with the obtained grade and accomplishment.

## ACCOMMODATION

A range of accommodation options are available at student dorms. (See [www.decatech.upm.es](http://www.decatech.upm.es)). Participants are expected to organize their own travel and health insurance.

## REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

### Online Registration:

UPM Summer School

[www.decatech.upm.es](http://www.decatech.upm.es)

(SPANISH)

### Additional Information:

[marialuisa.escribano@upm.es](mailto:marialuisa.escribano@upm.es)

### Registration Period:

April 1<sup>st</sup> | till 1<sup>st</sup> June 2019

## COURSE

### ADMINISTRATION

**Program Workforce:**

- Specialized Spanish language lecturers. CENTRO DE LENGUAS, UPM.
- Experts in art subject areas.
- Specialized tourist guides.

## COURSE FEE PAYMENTS

- Payments can be made by credit card or money transfer when you register.

### PROGRAM SECRETARY:

[centro.lenguas.espanol@upm.es](mailto:centro.lenguas.espanol@upm.es)

## CULTURAL PROGRAM

### WEEK 1

Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> July **8:45-9:00** Course Opening  
**9:00** Beginning of classes  
**19:30 - 20:30** Madrid "City Rally" (by BEST-UPM MADRID students association)

Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> July **10:00 - 13:00** Seminar "Spanish contemporary art painting tendencies: Theory and Practice", in **Spanish/English** conducted by Natxo Arteta, Spanish contemporary painter.

Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> July **09:30 - 17:00** Guided trip to Toledo  
Meeting Point: (9:15 h) c/Cuesta de San Vicente; Metro: Plaza de España

Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> July **10:00 - 14:00** Guided tour around "Habsburg Madrid" The Golden Art Triangle I.  
 The Prado Museum: Goya and Velázquez's masterpieces.  
 Guided walk around the area "Madrid Castizo: Casa de las 7 Chimeneas and Convento de las Comendadoras"  
Meeting point: **09:45** – Statue of Goya, next to the Prado Museum North entrance.

### WEEK 2

Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> July **17:30 - 19:00** Spanish cinema. Oscar awarded films: Fernando Trueba "*Belle Epoque*"  
Meeting point: to be confirmed

Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> July **9:30 - 11:30** Guided tour around "Bourbon's Madrid" including:  
 Visit to the Royal Palace.  
 Cathedral "Santa María la Real de la Almudena"  
Meeting point: (9:15h) Plaza de Oriente (Felipe IV Statue)  
**12:00 - 13:00** Flamenco Seminar (Tablao Flamenco Las Tablas, Plaza de España, nº9)  
Meeting point: (11:45 h) Plaza de Oriente (Felipe IV Statue)

Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> July **09:30 - 18:00** Guided trip to Segovia  
Meeting Point: (9:15 h) c/Cuesta de San Vicente; Metro: Plaza de España

Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> July **10:00 - 14:00** Guided tour around "Habsburg Madrid": The Golden Art Triangle II.  
 National Museum "Centro de Arte Reina Sofía": Picasso's masterpieces. Guided walk around the "Barrio de las Letras".  
Meeting point: **09:45** – National Museum Centro de Arte Reina Sofía Entrance. (Street/ Santa Isabel nº.52.) (Glass elevators).

### WEEK 3

Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> July **17:15 - 19:00**  
 Spanish cinema. Oscar awarded films: Pedro Almodóvar "*Volver*"  
Meeting Point: to be confirmed

19<sup>th</sup> July - 22<sup>th</sup> July Free weekend for independent trips

### WEEK 4

Friday, 26<sup>st</sup> July **13:00 - 14:00**  
 Closing Ceremony and Certificate awards Issue.  
**14:15 - 15:30**  
 "Spanish Paella" (Get-together farewell lunch)

Saturday, 27<sup>st</sup> July Pack up and Departure.

