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ACADEMIA DE ESPAÑOL - QUITO, ECUADOR

ABOUT THE SCHOOL AND THE CITY

Academia de Español Quito specializes in teaching Spanish as a second language to foreign students. The school is located in the commercial part of modern Quito, an area with many tourist attractions, surrounded by first class hotels, restaurants, cafes, universities, museums, shopping centers and embassies.

Academia de Español Quito was established and registered in the Ecuadorian Ministry of Education and Culture in 1982. In addition, the school's courses are recognized as a Bildungsurlaub program in the region of Hamburg, Germany.

All instructors at Academia de Español Quito have advanced university degrees in Spanish Grammar and Literature or a related field. All have received special training and have a great deal of experience teaching Spanish to foreign students.

Quito, the capital of Ecuador, has a population of approximately one and half million people. The city rises 2,850 meters (9,350 feet) above sea level, with an annual average temperature of 13C/55F. The dry season in Quito is May to October, and brief daily showers occur November through April. Nights are crisply cold, requiring a sweater or jacket, but the daytime temperatures, year round, rarely vary from the upper 60s to the low 70s F.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Academia de Español Quito's program is designed to combine grammar with conversation, reading and writing practice. Furthermore, the school's books and teaching material will introduce students to the history, geography and culture of Ecuador. If the student has studied Spanish before he/she will start with an examination (written and oral).

Group 7 Program

Group 25 hours per week. This program provides the opportunity for 25 hours a week, 5 hours daily, of language learning in classes from beginners to advanced levels. Courses are offered at six levels and sessions run for two weeks, Monday through Friday. For maximum learning, these classes are limited to 7 students. The classes emphasize effective verbal communication.

Tutor Program

20 or 35 hours per week. The Tutor Program is held for 4 or 7 hours daily and consists of individual instruction with well-qualified teachers. It is ideal for those who want to be totally immersed and to learn faster in less time.

Activa Program

Tutor 35 hours per week: 20 Spanish + 15 Fieldtrips. The Activa Program is for students who wish to combine learning classroom Spanish and experiencing the flavorful culture of Quito. Each day the morning hours are allocated to intensive classroom instruction. The student and professor then spend the rest of the afternoon exploring sites in or near Quito such as: the city, museums, cathedrals and markets.

Amazon Program

Group 20 hours per week. Combine of language learning and adventure at Cabañas Anaconda in the Ecuadorian Rainforest. This program uses a system of ecotourism where great effort is made to preserve the jungle from destruction while at the same time providing work to the local native people. The program is one week long and includes four hours per day of Spanish in small groups. Each group is directed by a teacher from Academia's staff and contains 3-5 students. In addition to language instruction, there is a daily excursion that allows students to learn about and enjoy the ecology and culture of the rain forest.

Volunteer & Internship Program

Academia de Español Quito also offers volunteer and internship opportunities at no additional cost. These positions are combined with the school's Group or Tutor courses. Internships are normally on an unpaid basis. Some Spanish preparatory work may be required before beginning the volunteer or internship.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Ecuadorian host families are carefully chosen by the school. The student gets a private bedroom, 2 meals daily and laundry service. The school places only one student per host family.

Hotels are also available on request and at additional cost.

OF SPECIAL INTEREST

Weekend fieldtrips are offered by the school subject to sufficient student interest and at additional cost. They range from visiting nearby Indian markets, to fiestas, to mountain climbing. Periodically, trips are organized to the Amazon or coast. During a typical week, visits will be made to the colonial section of Quito, Indian markets, museums, art and craft galleries.

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ALL NRCSA PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

- ✓ Foreign language immersion classes
- ✓ Small interactive group and/or one-on-one instruction
- ✓ Culture program integrated into conversation classes, activities
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- ✓ Academic assessments, placement-exit tests, Achievement Certificate
- ✓ Lodging (reduced fee if no lodging needed)
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- ✓ **Health:** golf, swimming, tennis, diving, skiing, riding, plus...
- ✓ **Special:** vocabulary classes tailored to your professional needs
- ✓ **Lodging:** homestay, apartment, dorm, hotel, special diet
- ✓ **Food:** home cooking, cooking classes, dine-around, wine tasting
- ✓ **Family:** services, daycare, child classes, community services
- ✓ **Teacher:** training, workshops, practicums, practice teaching, ECH
- ✓ **Teen:** camps and youth programs (including experiential)
- ✓ **University:** credit, undergraduate and graduate
- ✓ **Professional:** development credit in many fields, licensure, CEU
- ✓ **Volunteer:** medical, social service, ecology, teach plus...
- ✓ **Internships:** business, media, arts, eco, tourism, computer, plus...
- ✓ **Business:** classes, visits, networking, executive support services
- ✓ **Peer-to-Peer:** share interests, network by profession or hobby
- ✓ **Current Events & Professional Workshops, Holiday Courses**
- ✓ **Distance** educ liaison service, independent studies, research assist
- ✓ **Free** books and course materials. Return at end of studies
- ✓ **Free** airport transfers and internet access
- ✓ **Assessment** reports for attendance, progress, acculturation if needed
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