

Gap Program in Seville, Spain

Individually Customized Programs

ANDEO's Gap programs are very flexible and can be customized to fit your goals and interests. The two core components are small-group language courses and a homestay with a local family. From there, you can choose your own path. For example, you can take Flamenco lessons, join a teacher training course, or add workshops on Spanish history and culture. Programs can be as short as four weeks or as long as a full year and start any Monday. Academic credit is available.

2010 Cost Estimate: \$5,500 for a 12-week program
(airfare not included; 4-week to 12-month programs possible)

Sevilla

The capital of Andalusia, Seville is an explosion of color and contrast between the modern and the traditional. Long considered to be one of the most beautiful cities of Spain, it has evolved into a cosmopolitan and multi-cultural town where the greatest Flamenco performers mix with the latest trends in contemporary art. Its historical and cultural heritage, lively atmosphere and comfortable climate make it a great place to study Spanish.

The Language Institute

Located in the heart of the city, the language institute is near the town hall and the famous cathedral. During your breaks, you can sip a *café con leche* on the roof top terrace or dip into the small pool, or stop by the multimedia room for some extra practice. Free internet access and a wi-fi network are also available for you.

The Classes

All classes are taught by native speakers who have been trained in teaching Spanish as a foreign language. The emphasis is on developing communicative skills. For twenty hours each week, you will practice and learn together with five to nine other international students. Classes may be held in the morning or in the afternoon. You may also choose a program with 30 hours of group classes each week, or add private lessons.

Cultural Activities

Complement your language study with a discovery of Spanish culture! Activities may include workshops on art history, a Sevillana dance class, a visit to Reales Alcazares and the Torre del Oro, or a Flamenco show. Excursions may take you to other cities in the region of Andalusia the mountains, or even to Morocco. Many of these activities are free for students. You will need to budget a little extra for entrance fees and transportation costs.

Special Option: Spanish and Humanities or Liberal Arts

Take your Spanish to the next level while attending courses in humanities or liberal arts subject at the University of Seville! This special program also includes extracurricular activities like monthly workshops and excursions that will enhance your learning experience.

Accommodations

A homestay with a local family is the best way to immerse yourself into the daily life in Seville. Host families come in all shapes and sizes, but what they all have in common is a strong interest in sharing their culture. Breakfast and dinner are included in your homestay.



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Frequently Asked Questions

What does the cost estimate include? The estimate includes tuition for the language course, study materials, home-stay placement with breakfast and dinner each day, some cultural activities, pre-departure orientation materials, and ongoing support in your preparations and during your stay in Seville. If you want to add special options, please contact ANDEO for a cost estimate.

Can I study if I am a beginner? Yes, you can start as a complete beginner. Call for specific beginner start dates!

When will I receive my host family placement information? You will receive host family details and contact information in the week prior to your arrival date.

Will I receive any orientation materials? Yes. Once you are accepted into the program, we will send you comprehensive orientation materials that cover everything from packing suggestions to dealing with culture shock. There will also be a welcome meeting on your first day at the language institute.

Will I have access to email? Yes, the language has computers with internet access that students can use. A wi-fi connection is also available.

Will the institute be closed for any holidays? Yes. The institute is closed for all national holidays in Spain.

Can I get credits for studying abroad? Yes! Whether you are a high school graduate, a university student working toward a degree, or a teacher looking for professional development, you can get credit for continuing your education abroad. Earn 5 to 10 credits by signing up for a variety of courses offered by *We Study Abroad*, an accredited college program linked with Seattle Central Community College. Please visit www.westudyabroad.com for details.

Do I need travel insurance? We strongly recommend that you get travel insurance that includes a medical plan. Prices depend upon trip length and participant age. You can compare different policies online or by contacting your local travel agent.

Will I need a visa? That depends on the length of your program, your citizenship, and other individual factors. Visa requirements change frequently, so we strongly recommend that you contact your nearest Spanish consulate or embassy to make sure you have the most up-to-date information about all rules and regulations that apply to your stay. It is your responsibility to obtain all necessary travel documents for your program in Spain. If you need any documents from ANDEO or our partner organization abroad, we will do our best to provide them to you.

Can I speak to people who have participated in the program before? Definitely! Please contact our office and we can provide you with the emails of students who have participated in this program.

How do I apply? To apply, complete the initial Gap application and return it with a \$500 deposit. You can download an application at www.andeo.org. Your deposit will be applied to the total program price. Upon receipt of your program registration and deposit, we will send you a detailed orientation packet. The balance of your program fees will be due 30 days before your program start date.

What is your cancellation policy? If you cancel your program more than 45 days prior to your start date, we will refund the amount you have paid toward your program fee except for the \$200 non-refundable deposit as well as any cancellation fees charged by the language institute. The cancellation fees vary from program to program, so please feel free to ask us about the fees that apply to yours. For cancellations made less than 45 days prior to your program start date, your \$500 deposit will be forfeited, and you will also be responsible for the cancellation fees charged by the institute. If ANDEO cancels your program, you will receive a full refund.

If you have any further questions or would like to start planning your program in Spain, please contact ANDEO at info@andeo.org, 503.274.1776 or 800.274.6007. We look forward to working with you!



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