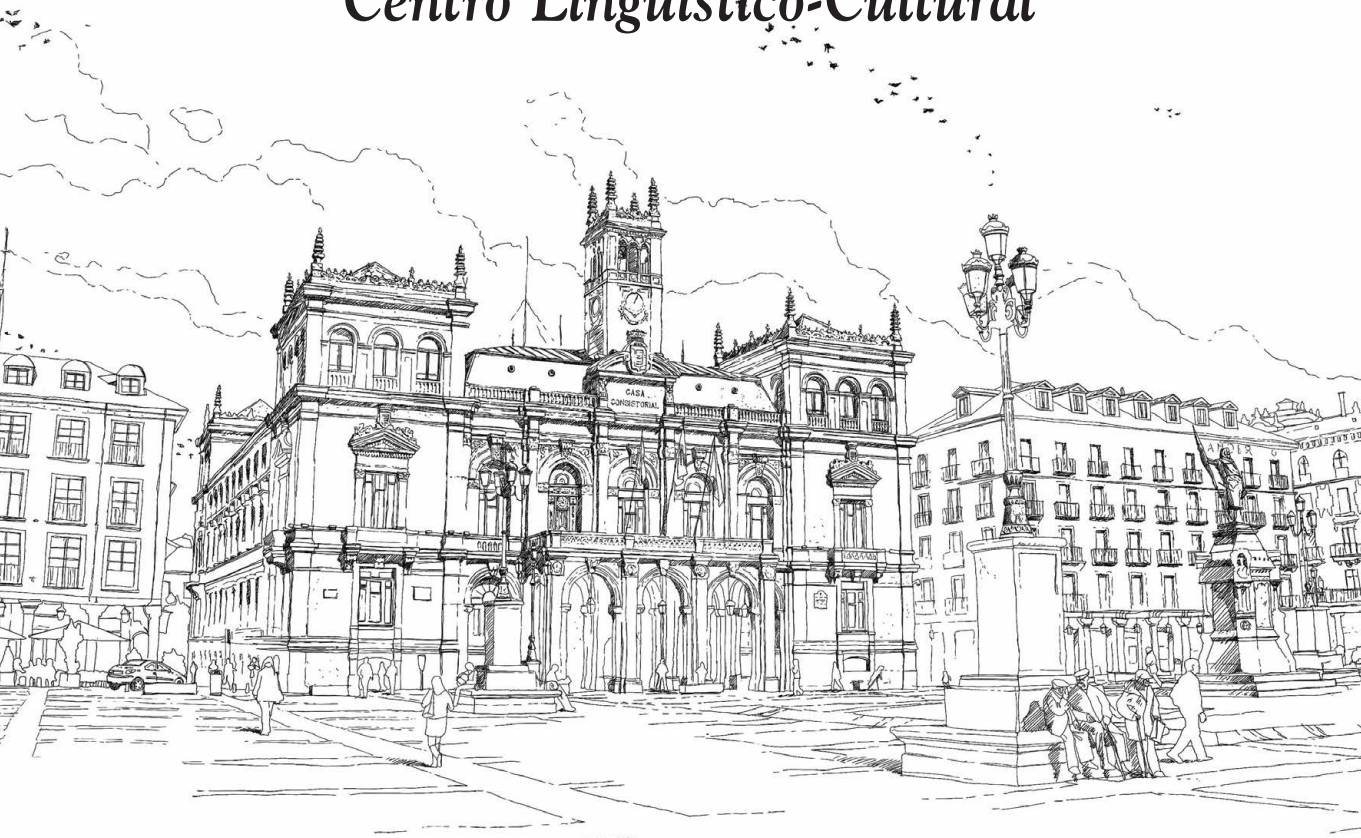




La Casa del Español

Centro Lingüístico-Cultural



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THAN SPANISH

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Valladolid, Spain

Positive, Caring, Personalised.

La Casa del Español is an Accredited Instituto Cervantes Centre which has been offering Spanish as a foreign language since 1986. The centre's activity is based on:

- Personalised attention to its students.
- Academic excellence – we teach you Spanish!
- Small groups – the best way to learn.
- Access to a wide range of interesting cultural activities.



Why La Casa del Español?

- **Excellent** teachers and helpful staff will provide an fantastic learning environment.
- **We are an accredited Instituto Cervantes Centre**, successfully passing all their strict inspections. In their latest visit the feedback was amazing!
- **Beautiful facilities** where we would like you to feel at home.
- Fantastic **cultural activities** so that your stay in Valladolid (and Spain) also helps you develop as a person.
- Great **cooking workshops** in our own kitchen with professional cooks.
- **A multi-cultural** environment with students coming from all corners of the world.
- Our students **recommend** us and **return**! You can read their wonderful experiences at the end of this brochure.





Our courses: Progress and Satisfaction

At **La Casa del Español** we offer a wide range of courses, adapted to the needs of our students. Each student will do a level test in order to determine the adequate group for the student or in order to allow the private teacher to select appropriate teaching material. We offer all levels: A1, A2, B1, B2, C1 and C2.

General Spanish Courses

These **courses are flexible as regards duration.**

Classes can be for groups or individuals. In both cases classes will begin on a Monday and finish on a Friday. Hence each student commits to an agreed number of weeks of Spanish classes.

We pay special attention to pronunciation, use of grammar, oral fluency, written language, etc.





INTENSIVE COURSES

Our Intensive Courses are for closed groups from 4 to 8 students per class and have a short duration and a minimum attendance of one week.



INTENSIVE COMBINED COURSES

Our Intensive Combined Courses are for closed groups, from 4 to 8 students in class and have a short duration and a minimum attendance of one week. In addition to classes in group where students can interact with their classmates, each student will have one-to-one classes to answer their specific needs.



EXTENSIVE COURSES

Our Extensive Courses are thought for resident foreigners who want to improve or perfect their Spanish and are living in Valladolid. They will have one or two lessons weekly, each one of two hours.



ONE-to-TWO COURSES

Our One-to-Two Courses are for closed groups of two students and could vary depending on the number of hours they want to have per week. The students could choose their schedule according to availability of the Center.



ONE-to-ONE COURSES

Students can choose their schedule and may cancel classes 24 hours in advance. Individual lessons allow the student to have specialized attention according to their needs.



STAR INTENSIVE COURSES FOR SCHOOL GROUPS OR PRIVATE AGENTS

Our Star intensive courses are short intensive courses for closed groups, minimum duration one week.

The group chooses the start date of the course, subject to availability of the Centre.

The levels of the classes are also adapted to the needs of the group and are negotiated with the organisers of the trip, whether this be a school or a private group.



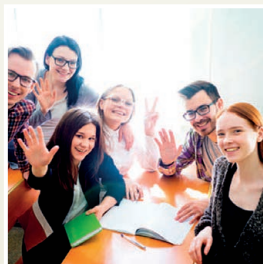
ONLINE LESSONS

You can study Spanish from anywhere in the world connecting live and online (Skype, etc.) with our excellent teachers



SPANISH FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES

Courses oriented to specific professional needs: tourism, law, business, cooking and health.



Dele preparation courses

La Casa del Español offers preparation classes for all levels of the DELE exams: from A1 to C2. The Spanish teachers of La Casa del Español are highly qualified and experienced. Our permanent staff are all official DELE examiners.

Accommodation

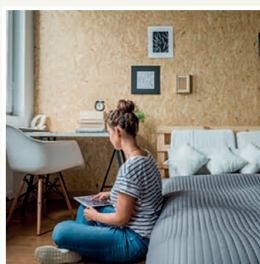
Stay with a Spanish family



The best way to understand all aspects of Spanish culture is to stay with a local family. In this way you will see how people live and experience Spanish family life.

As well as being the most enriching option, it is also the most economical for students planning a medium or long-term stay in Valladolid.

Our host families have been previously inspected and selected by staff from our centre and most of them have a lot of experience in hosting students. The location of these flats and houses varies in distance from the study centre and so the students' preferences in this respect will be taken into account.



Other accommodation options

Student residence



La Casa del Español can offer the option of staying in a student residence. In this case the student will meet students from all over the world. You can choose a single or double room and have the option of half board (breakfast and supper) or full board (breakfast, lunch and supper). If you are interested in this option you should advise the Centre as early as possible as availability is limited.

Apartment



The Centre has contacts among people in the city who rent out apartments. These usually have one or two bedrooms, a bathroom, a kitchen and a small sitting room. This accommodation option has to be requested sufficiently ahead of time in order to ensure availability.

Hotel/Hostel



The Centre has a list of hotels/hostels near to La Casa del Español, where students can stay. The Centre can give advice and information about these and will make the necessary reservations once the student has chosen the hotel or hostel.

Enjoy yourself while practising your Spanish

Activities

Besides our Spanish courses, we also offer our students a whole range of fantastic cultural activities, managed and organized by professionals.



COOKING WORKSHOP

One of our students' favourite activities, besides our excellent language classes!, are our cooking workshops.

When we designed our new installations we knew, from the beginning, we wanted to have a large kitchen to teach our students the secrets of local Spanish cuisine.

Therefore, in our cooking workshops, our students learn from a professional cook how to make, in a practical way, a whole series of traditional dishes: Spanish omelette, 'huevos rotos', 'sopa castellana', 'gazpacho', paella, Valladolid's famous 'tapas', etc.

Our cooking workshops, organized under demand, range a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 8 students.

So, when they finish their course in La Casa del Español, our students take with them a better command of the Spanish language and better cooking skills... both very useful in life!

All the ingredients come from local farms and we take care to make sure all our fish and seafood is responsible sourced. We buy our products at a local market and invite our students to come along and practise their Spanish in real-life through role plays.





Excursions



La Casa del Español is fantastically located in the geography of the North of Spain for the organization of a whole variety of outings in Valladolid province and beyond.

Destinations are chosen by our students and they include:

- Route 1: Wamba - Santa Espina - Urueña
- Route 2: Olmedo (Mudéjar theme park) - Villa romanas - Ávila
- Bodegas: Ribera del Duero
- Segovia
- Salamanca
- Ávila
- Madrid
- Bilbao
- The Beach!: Santander

Professional guided tours are booked in all our visit destinations.

Other activities



- Organization of meals, snacks or dinners in bodegas
- Sports: football, tennis, rugby, padel
- Guided visits to exhibitions: painting, photography, sculpture, etc.
- Art workshops in our city museums
- Museum visits (art, science, our National Sculpture Museum) and other local exhibition venues
- Visits to the city's Museum Houses (Cervantes, Zorrilla, Columbus)
- Guided tours of the city centre
- Theatre and Cinema
- Guided visit to Santa Cruz Library, headquarters of the Rectorate of the University of Valladolid, Spain's second oldest University
- Showing of Spanish language films and debate sessions
- Ride in the tourist bus
- Organization of gymkhanas for our students



Testimonials

Being a TEFL specialist and in my sixties, I had very high expectations of La Casa del Español before I arrived. I spent five weeks in an Intensive Beginners class and achieved Level A2! I could only do this with the excellent support of the school. Classes are well planned and structured in all four skills of listening, reading, writing and speaking. Grammar is taught in a methodical manner and well explained. If you're serious about learning Spanish, I highly recommend this school.

Best of all ... it was fun and most enjoyable!

Corne Bryant (Nueva Zelanda)

"He tenido suerte de elegir La Casa del Español. He estudiado mucho con los profesores y me encanta. Me ayudan a encontrar los fallos y ahora tengo muy claro por donde voy a estudiar en el futuro.

iDurante un mes, casi he olvidado mi idioma!

También estuve viviendo con una familia de Valladolid excelente y hemos hecho muchas actividades juntos. El tiempo feliz siempre pasa muy rápido ¡Ojalá pudiera volver a La Casa del Español!"

Ruyan Cao (China)

La mejor escuela en toda Castilla y Leon! Muy profesional, divertido y con profesores excelentes :)

Urszula Sawicka (Polonia)

"Coming to learn Spanish to La Casa del Español was the best language choice of my life!

I loved every minute! Entonces... me gustaría agradecerlos a vosotros, pero especialmente a mi profesora Camila.

iMuchas gracias!"

Fionn Connolly (UK)



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