SPANISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE PROGRAM

Offering Foreigners a sound education in Spanish as a Foreign Language.

SPANISH FOR THE WORLD

800 HOURS DIVIDED IN FIVE LEVELS (A1, A2,B1,B2,C1)

Level  A1 includes three 40 hour courses in which the following topics are covered:

1. Greetings and farewells, introductions, the alphabet, numbers, the simple present tense, personal pronouns, articles, vocabulary on nationalities, professions, daily routines.

2. Gender and number of nouns and adjectives. Affirmative, negative and interrogative sentences, adjectives, possessive adjectives, possessive pronouns, days of the week, expressing likes and dislikes, telling the time, vocabulary on the family and food.

3. Prepositions and adverbs of Place, Simple past tense, descriptions of people and things, expressing quantity, prepositions of place, telling events in the past, interjections and moods, vocabulary on clothes, materials and colors.

Level  A2 includes three 40 hour courses in which the following topics are covered:

1. Conjunctions, compound sentences, Past Perfect, objective pronouns, telling events in the past, life history, future with “will” Vocabulary on the house and a the farm.

2. Demonstrative pronouns, Past perfect progressive, Past progressive, demonstrative pronouns, the weather, plans, Conditional forms, vocabulary on sports, expressing feelings and emotions.

3. Connectors, comparative and superlative adjectives, Adverbs, comparisons, vocabulary on the body, the horoscope and publicity.

Level B1 is reached after finishing four 40 hour courses in which the following topics are covered:

1. Practicing of subjunctive, giving opinions, cultural activities, reflexive pronouns, giving opinion, reflexive pronouns, cultural activities, talking about desires, possibilities, certainties, beliefs, and doubts.

2. Future perfect, verbal periphrases, talking about facts, commenting newspaper articles, talking about climate change and politics.
3. Verbal derivatives, use of verbal infinitives as nouns, use of verbal gerunds as adverbs, use of verbal past as adjectives, relative pronouns, describing events and actions characteristics, talking about health and sickness.

4. Action verbs, process verbs, action-process verbs. Talking about past events, simultaneous events and future events, relative pronouns, talking about preferences, courtesy verbs, social events, and social norms.

**Level B2** is reached after finishing four 40 hour courses in which the following topics are covered:

1. Review of simple verbal tenses, relative pronouns, reading and understanding historical texts, newspapers and literary texts, remembering, varieties on past events, talking about impossible projects, Science and Technology, talking about the Idea of progress

2. Passive voice, direct speech, indirect speech, semantic cases, (Filmore), explaining concepts, talking about internet and globalization.

3. Logical relations, recognizing and formulating eventualities, suppositions, and doubts, types of speech, talking about work, happiness and the humanity future.

4. Buying and selling things, the cafeteria, the supermarket, the store, means of transportation, the bakery, the drugstore, talking about money, the bank and the teller.

5. Complaining and answering to a complain, Criticizing, visiting the doctor.

**Level C1** is reached when the students can understand a wide range of texts and can recognize the implicit meanings they present, can express their ideas in a fluent and spontaneous way and when they can use the language in a flexible and effective way to talk about different topics. The following options can help students reach level C1:

1. Review

2. Conversation course

3. Grammar course

4. Culture Course

5. Telling stories course

6. Latin American Movies

7. English for Specific Purposes

**SELECTION PROCEDURE**

- Placement Test
• Interview

CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE

• Attendance to at least 80% of the classes in each level.

• Passing of the different evaluations in each level.

SCHEDULES

Intensive and half-intensive

• One week intensive courses to over 40 hours per week

• Half-intensive courses offer to options:

• Eight hours on Saturday during five weeks to complete 40 hours per level.

• Classes from Monday to Thursday, two hours per day during five weeks to complete 40 hours per level.

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