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Today's Spanish Language: The Language & Culture of Wine and Gastronomy

GENERAL INFORMATION

THE UNIVERSITY OF VALLADOLID

The University of Valladolid is one of the leading centers of higher education in Spain. It is also one of the oldest public universities in the country, having been founded in the late 13th century. The earliest written reference appears in the document signed by King Sancho IV of Castile in the year 1293.

Since then the UVa has adapted to the times to become a sound and prestigious institution in most fields of knowledge: Arts and Humanities, Sciences, Engineering and Architecture, Health Sciences and Social and Legal Science.

It currently boasts over 26,000 students enrolled and it is involved in numerous international relations networks and research centers. The number of academic staff is 2,540 and the number of administrative staff 997. It comprises four campuses located in the cities of Valladolid, Palencia, Segovia and Soria.

The University of Valladolid also runs several research centers, wide-ranging sports, cultural facilities, and a rich architectural and documentary heritage. Around its almost 425,000 square meters of buildings, spread over faculties, university schools, institutes, central services, accommodation and sport facilities are hidden architectural treasures and other works of art, which have become part of the university's heritage throughout the nine centuries (from the 13th to the 21th)

It should be noted the importance of the magnificent historical library located in the Santa Cruz Palace of recognized national and international prestige.

Link to the UVa Website: <http://www.uva.es>

[Video Presentation](#)

THE CITY

Valladolid's history stretches back a thousand years and now boasts a rich historical heritage. The old part of the city preserves an interesting architectural ensemble comprising palaces, churches and emblematic buildings. Valladolid is also a modern city with pedestrian streets, parks, and spacious shopping centers, and is an ideal place to enjoy cinema, concerts, and exhibitions.

Valladolid is without doubt an ideal place to learn Spanish. It is a medium-sized city that is safe and offers a warm welcome and a friendly atmosphere in which to take a pleasant stroll.



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It is strategically located in the northern half of Spain, just 200 kilometers from Madrid. It is the capital of the region of Castilla y León and currently plays a key role in development.

Valladolid sits on a plain, broken only by small series of hills which make the landscape very attractive. It has a Mediterranean-continental climate.

The city's metropolitan area is home to some 360,000 inhabitants. It is well communicated with the rest of Spain thanks to its extensive coach and train network. The high-speed train reaches Madrid in 55 minutes.

Link of interest (Valladolid Tourist Office): <http://www.info.valladolid.es>

COURSE OFFERED

Course	Today's Spanish Language: The Language & Culture of wine and gastronomy
Participants	This course is specifically designed for Spanish teachers/L2 from the United States and Canada who are interested in improving their linguistic competence in today's Spanish Language and their cultural proficiency in two specific areas: wine and gastronomy, which have a significant impact on the language. Teachers of bilingual programs, immersion programs, Grades K-12 and professors of Community College or Universities.
Duration	Three weeks (60 hours)
Dates	1 to 19 July, 2024
Number of participants	A minimum of 8 and a maximum of 22
Level of Spanish	Required level of language is B1 (archived or equivalent)

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE COURSE

This course provides an opportunity to share knowledge, skills, and experiences on language teaching and learning in various educational contexts with native Spanish/L2 teachers and foreign colleagues. Furthermore, the course is divided into three modules, first two with the main objective of improving professional performance: A) Expanding language proficiency; B) Active methods for teaching Spanish. The third module focuses on a specific area that is very current issue and that attracts tourism in Spain: C) Wine culture and gastronomy and its impact on the language. The historical heritage linked to wine and the economy of the winemaking environment of Castilla y León and, in particular, of the province of Valladolid, allows a cultural and linguistic immersion as a cultural implement in the learning of today's Spanish.

STRUCTURE OF THE COURSE

Language Module -20 hours

The Language class will have a double objective. On the one hand, the revision and practice of some functional, grammatical, and lexical contents selected from the needs detected in the participants and developed in real communicative contexts of different fields (learning situations) and, on the other, the



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fulfillment and critical analysis of some activities that promotes an active role of the student and activate different learning strategies through activities that will be carried out inside and outside the classroom.

Module of Active Methodology for Spanish Teaching/L2 - 20 hours-

This module is designed as a place of learning, meeting and exchange of knowledge and experiences, in which students have an active role and where both the contents worked and the dynamics of the class itself favors the acquisition and development of strategies and tools that teachers can incorporate into their teaching practice.

Module of the Culture of Wine and Gastronomy -20 hours

This module consists of sessions in the classroom, which will work contents related to cultural references of Spain around the culture of wine and gastronomy, which will allow the student to expand his vocabulary and practice linguistic structures linked to these focuses of cultural interest. Sessions outside the classroom consist of:

- Visit to a traditional winery in Valladolid (Tordesillas)
- Visit to the Provincial Wine Museum and Castle (Peñañiel)
- Culinary experience in the Valladolid Cooking School

Schedule

- Monday to Friday, from 09:30 to 14:00.
- Cultural activities and workshops in the afternoon
- Trips on Saturdays.

Methodology

The techniques applied in the classroom are based on the communicative approach, both in its notional-functional dimension as well as in the methodological aspect of the action-based approach.

When applying this method, students are considered in their three main areas: as social agents who learn a language as a means of communication that will enable them to engage in communicative interaction, as intercultural speakers which allows them to assimilate aspects of the new culture in an integrated manner, and as independent learners who are central to their own life-long learning.

Assessment

To obtain the certificate of attendance, it will be necessary to have actively participated in at least 85% of the classes.

In the event that the student requests the validation of credits, a final evaluation task will be carried out and the realization of the proposed activities throughout the course will also be taken into account, as well as the attitude and daily participation in the classes.

Credits

The course can be validated with 3 credits every 60 training hours by various American universities.



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Attendance certificate

The Center will provide participants with an attendance certificate and an academic transcript (grades will follow the American grading system).

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES, WORKSHOPS AND TRIPS INCLUDED IN THE COURSE

As a complement and continuation of learning outside the classroom, the program includes:

- Welcome and guidance session
- Guided tour around the city
- Cultural visits in the city of Valladolid:
 - Visit to the National Polychrome Sculpture Museum
 - Museum of Contemporary Art- Patio Herreriano
 - The city Town Hall
 - Visit to Cervantes House & Museum
- Workshops: Spanish culture context, Spanish TV series, activities with the Spanish short films, Virtual tour of Spain's Michelin Star Restaurants.
- Leisure activities: Tapas night
- Full-day trip to Segovia
Segovia is one of the cities declared World Heritage in the community of Castile and Leon. It houses one of the most spectacular monuments of Roman times: The Aqueduct.

PROGRAM FEES

Cost of the course with accommodation: 1.900 €

This price includes: 60 contact hours, the above-mentioned cultural activities and full day trip, workshops, student card, certificate of attendance, accommodation (half board) at the Reyes Católicos Postgraduate Residence Hall in the city center and primary medical Insurance during the course period.

ACCOMMODATION

Half board accommodation at a Postgraduate Residence Hall located in the heart of Valladolid, between the Plaza Mayor and the Plaza de España, a short distance from the Palacio de Santa Cruz, (headquarters of the Rectorate of the University de Valladolid), and the historic building of the University (current Faculty of Law).

The residence hall hosts graduate students, researchers, associated professors or guests of the University, participants in Congresses and Courts. The building has a conference room, computer room, study room, space for events and congresses. It also has a laundry service, as well as daily cleaning of the rooms. Rooms are equipped with bathroom, telephone and free Internet connection (both cable and Wi-fi), television and refrigerator.

La reserva del alojamiento



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TRANSPORTATION

Valladolid is north-west of Madrid. Its location in central Spain makes it easy to get to.

Madrid-Barajas Airport

There are a number of ways to get to Valladolid from Madrid-Barajas airport:

- Direct COACH from Terminal 4 at Barajas Airport to Valladolid

There is a bus line that connects Barajas Airport Terminal 4 (T4) to Valladolid. The name of the company is [ALSA](#). There are quite a few buses from Madrid Barajas Airport T4 to Valladolid bus station throughout the day. Tickets can be purchased online: [//www.alsa.es/estaciones/estacion-valladolid](http://www.alsa.es/estaciones/estacion-valladolid)

There is free transportation between terminals in Barajas in case you arrive in a different terminal.

In the following link you will find a location map of the Alsa docks (5 to 15) at the Parking Area of Terminal 4: <https://www.alsa.es/aeropuertos/madrid-barajas>

- TRAIN from Barajas terminal 4 (T4) to Chamartín train station

The Spanish railway company [RENFE](#), connects Madrid with the Madrid Barajas airport through the local train network service “Cercanías” C1 line. The train station is on the terminal T4 floor -1. The estimated travel time from Adolfo Suárez Madrid-Barajas airport to Estación de Chamartín is 11 minutes

Once you get to Chamartín train station, you can purchase your ticket at the Renfe ticket windows or in the machines. We recommend you book and buy your ticket over the Internet on [Renfe's Webpage](#)

You can catch a regional train which takes about three hours and is relatively inexpensive or a high-speed AVE, ALVIA or AVANT train which only takes around an hour.

Valladolid-Villanubla Airport

Valladolid Airport is small and is located near a village called Villanubla. It forms part of [AENA](#) - the national airport and air traffic network. Companies operating to and from the airport include: Air Europa, Air Nostrum, Iberia, Ryanair, Vueling, etc.

Once you land in Valladolid, you can take a taxi or bus to the city centre. You can also hire a car.

ENROLMENT

Registration at: <https://www.educacionyfp.gob.es/eeuu/convocatorias-programas/convocatorias-eeuu/cursos-verano.html>

The application is made by clicking on the link "SUMMER COURSES/MASTERS REGISTRATION FORM" at the beginning of the section.

Deadline: April 30, 2024

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Information on the course: <https://spanishinvalladolid.com/en/cursos/espanol-para-profesores-julio-2023/>

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METHOD OF PAYMENT

Payment should be made in Euros at the officially published exchange rate.

- Through our website and by credit card: <https://spanishinvalladolid.com/en/cursos/espanol-para-profesores-julio-2023/registro/>
- Bank transfer
Banco Santander, S.A.
Account holder name: Fundación General de la Universidad de Valladolid
Address: Oficina Empresas Valladolid, Plaza Mayor 7, 47001 Valladolid, Spain
Account number: 0049 1866 21 2810434488
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