





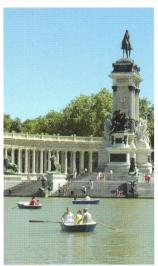




School of Spanish Language

Madrid - the business, government, cultural and entertainment centre of Spain - is a modern, cosmopolitan and hospitable city that welcomes all visitors, regardless of their nationality and occupation.







# > MADRID, CAPITAL CITY OF SPAIN

All the central government institutions are located in this capital city, as well as the leading political institutions and the country's main economic and financial centres. The major world banks and national and global companies also have headquarters in Madrid.

#### > CULTURE

Madrid is internationally known for its magnificent cultural offerings. Museums, expositions, art galleries, theatres, movie theatres, concert halls and libraries make it one of the most unique capital cities.

#### > NIGHTLIFE

Visitors will surely enjoy life in Madrid, which is lively not only during the day but also at night. Madrid is known for its exciting and charming nightlife, often referred to as "La Movida Madrileña", or the Madrid Scene. In addition to more traditional entertainment, there are many clubs and discotheques that suit all tastes, from salsa to jazz, as well as pubs, cafes, casinos, and flamenco dancing.

#### > GASTRONOMY

Madrid's cuisine is one of the city's main pleasures and a must for visitors. There is a wide variety to suit every taste and budget. Restaurants range from those serving international fare to "tascas" (snack bars) which offer the opportunity to try all sorts of "raciones" (substantial snacks) of typical Spanish food.

# > SPORTS AND LEISURE

The opportunity to participate in sports is unlimited in Madrid from jogging in El Parque del Retiro to mountain biking in the Casa de Campo. There are many sports facilities including swimming pools, football fields, tennis courts, golf courses and athletic stadiums. The nearby mountains offer horseback riding, as well as skiing in the winter.





#### > LOCATION

EUREKA is located in the centre of the city, in a historic 150-year-old building. One floor has been completely renovated by the school to offer students state-of-the-art facilities.

#### > FACULTY

Our faculty is composed of qualified teachers certified in subjects such as Classical Spanish, Spanish Language or Art and Literature. All our teachers have been carefully chosen by the school's academic board and trained to use our exclusive teaching method in order to ensure the greatest success. We have a young and dynamic team, well trained to maximize each student's potential.

# > METHODOLOGY

Our method is based on direct contact between teacher and student, and on establishing a relaxed atmosphere so that learning comes naturally and is reinforced through practice and communication. We follow an educational system which combines a structural method with a communication method in order to achieve rapid and effective learning. This method has been developed by our school, and we have created and used our own educational material over the years.

# > ACCREDITATIONS

EUREKA is a "Centro Acreditado" by the Cervantes Institute (this means that Eureka holds the guarantee of quality certified by the Cervantes Institute), which is the most prestigious certificate for a Spanish school. We also belong to various national associations and offer the Bildungsurlaub Certificate from Germany and CSN from Sweden.

EUREKA is a school whose sole objective is teaching Spanish as a foreign language. Since 1988 thousands of students from more than 75 countries have studied at our school.





Eureka offers different kinds of courses with a maximum of 8 students per class and a minimum of 6 levels, from beginner to advanced.



# > GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

- Maximum 8 students per class
- We offer 6 levels, which correspond to those of the European Council and the Cervantes Institute.
  - A1: Beginner
  - A2: Basic knowledge
  - B1: Intermediate I
  - B2: Intermediate II
  - C1: Advanced I
    C2: Advanced II
- The school is open year-round, closing only on national holidays.
- Courses for beginners start every two weeks (see the starting dates in our application form). Students with previous knowledge can start any Monday after taking a placement test.
- The courses cover all aspects of Spanish including pronunciation, grammar, conversation, analysis and commentary on texts, essays and translation.

#### > INTENSIVE COURSES

# · 20 hours per week

09:00 - 11:00 grammar

11:00 - 11:30 break

11:30 - 13:00 vocabulary and conversation

Students have the same grammar teacher throughout the course, while in conversation classes teachers are rotated every 2-3 days.

#### · 30 hours per week

09:00 - 11:00 grammar

11:00 - 11:30 break

11:30 – 13:00 vocabulary and conversation lunch break

14:20 - 16:00 vocabulary, conversation and exercises\*

\*The first part of this course is equivalent to the 20-hour course. From 14:20 to 16:00, students work on improving their vocabulary and conversation skills.

#### > COMBINED COURSES

These courses are designed for participants who want to concentrate on specific areas of interest such as grammar, pronunciation or preparing for an exam.

Intensive course A:

20 hours per week + 1 private lesson

Intensive course B:

20 hours per week + 2 private lessons

09:00 - 11:00 grammar

11:00 - 11:30 break

11:30 – 13:00 vocabulary and conversation

lunch break

14:20 - 15:15 One private lesson or

14:20 - 16:10 Two private lessons

# > EVENING CLASSES

These courses are designed for professionals and students who have a limited amount of time to study Spanish. They focus on colloquial speech and on correcting the most common errors.

Option A: Monday and Wednesday

19:30 - 21:00

Option B: Tuesday and Thursday

19:30 - 21:00

Students must take a placement test prior to starting classes to establish their level.

#### > ONE TO ONE

These courses are designed for students who have limited time or who are interested in specific subjects such as economics, business or law. In these courses the teacher prepares the material according to the interests of the student.

# > PREPARATION FOR THE D.E.L.E. EXAM

These courses prepare students for the D.E.L.E. exam. They are not grammar courses per se, but students will become familiarized with examples from different parts of the exam.

Exam in May/ November

Eight weeks before the D.E.L.E. exam

Exam in August

→ Four weeks before the D.E.L.E. exam\*

Class schedule

Option A: Monday through Friday 17:45 – 19:15
Option B: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 17:45 – 19:15
Option C: Tuesday and Thursday 17:45 – 19:15

\*only option A is possible

The quality of the courses taught at Eureka is guaranteed by the Certificate of Quality of the Cervantes Institute.











# > TYPES OF HOUSING

## With a Spanish family

All families housing EUREKA students are located no more than 25 minutes by bus or "metro" (subway) from the school. The families are carefully chosen to ensure that students will have a pleasant and homelike atmosphere.

With a family the following arrangements are available:

- accommodation only
- accommodation with breakfast
- accommodation with half-board

#### Studios

The studios are only a 2-minute walk from the school. They consist of a bedroom/living room, bathroom and a fully-equipped kitchen (refrigerator, microwave/oven and washing machine). All studios have television, air conditioning, heating and Internet (WIFI).

#### Apartments

The apartments are only a 2-minute walk from the school. They consist of two bedrooms, a living room, a kitchen, a full bathroom and a half bathroom. All apartments are equipped with television, washing machine, microwave/oven, refrigerator, air conditioning, heating and Internet (WIFI).

#### Shared flats

EUREKA provides several shared flats. Some of them are located in the same building as the school. Others are not more than a 20-minute ride by public transport. The flats contain 4-7 bedrooms, a living room with television, a kitchen equipped with washing machine, microwave and refrigerator, and 2-3 full bathrooms and Internet (WIFI).

#### Summary of housing

	Family	Studio	Apartment	Shared flat A	Shared flat B
Distance	Maximum 25 minutes by public transport	2-minute walk	2-minute walk	In the same building as EUREKA	Maximum 20 minutes by public transport
Air conditioning	Some	Yes	Yes	No	No
TV	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Internet	Some	Yes (WIFI)	Yes (WIFI)	Yes (WIFI)	Yes (WIFI)
Washing machine	Once a week	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

At Eureka you can enjoy our cultural program and meals accompanied by a teacher.







# > CULTURAL PROGRAM

EUREKA offers a variety of activities and excursions in order to give students a complete impression of Spain, especially of the country's culture, art and history. The school organizes two cultural activities per week, one of them always free. Furthermore, every weekend we offer excursions to visit various sites in and around Madrid.

Students may decide, after seeing the list of activities, whether or not they wish to participate.

# > MEALS

From Monday to Friday students may have lunch at a restaurant near the school accompanied by a teacher to practice their Spanish. Students can decide daily if they want to have lunch with the school. Payment is made at the end of every week. Students who are living with a family can also have lunch at the restaurant. In this case we recommend they choose the housing with half-board (breakfast and dinner).

# > TRANSFER SERVICE

EUREKA offers a transfer service from the airport to the selected accommodation. If students do not desire this service, we will send them the address and directions of their accommodation.



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