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## ¡Bienvenidos!

Welcome to Camino, to Barcelona and to our vibrant Mediterranean way of life!

Dive into your own Spanish learning adventure here in the centre of this exciting city, with wonderful weather, excellent food and great beaches!

Our aim is to help you learn as much Spanish as possible and to ensure that you also thoroughly enjoy your time at our school and in our city.

We have a brilliant team of teachers, who will carefully assess your needs and make sure you get the most out of your Spanish lessons.

We also offer an extensive programme of activities, visits and excursions, giving you lots of opportunities to practice Spanish outside the classroom and discover more about our city and culture.

And, so that you really enjoy your stay, we offer high standard accommodation in the same building as our school, right in the heart of Barcelona! Our on-site apartments and residence are located directly above our school, with great facilities, including sun terraces, private balconies and free Internet access. Or, stay with one of our carefully selected Spanish host families!

Whatever your needs and interests and whatever your level of Spanish, we will help you enjoy your time in Barcelona and learn as much Spanish as possible, so that you have a great experience that you will never forget!



Anita Simó Artola School Director



# The School

**Camino Barcelona** was founded in June 2006 and has grown to become one of the most prestigious Spanish schools in Barcelona, offering high quality Spanish courses to students from all over the world.

We are also different from other schools because we are the **ONLY** school in Barcelona offering **ON-SITE accommodation**, creating a campus atmosphere right in the heart of the beautiful city of Barcelona.

You don't need to worry about catching the metro to get to class, to go shopping, go out in the evening, or visit Barcelona's many sights! The school, the on-site residence and apartments occupy a whole building, with private sun terraces, balconies, en-suite bathrooms and free wireless Internet access, right in the city centre.

Camino Barcelona is an international community with students studying and living in the same building.



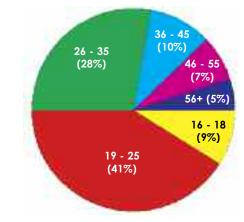




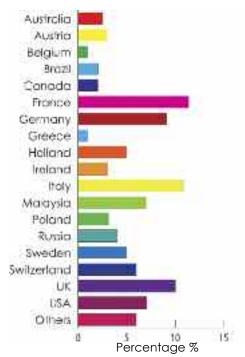




### Age Ranges of Our Students



### Nationality of Our Students





# Meet the Team!



#### Anita, Director

"Barcelona is a wonderful city where you can easily find everything you dream about in life. The city truly has a beating heart and has everything a city should have. Come to this

fabulous place called Barcelona!" anita@caminobarcelona.com

#### Rosa, Head of Studies

"I wanted to work in a school where I could contribute with my own ideas and develop professionally, where each day is different and there is always a challenge. I'm very happy to be working at Camino,



with such a great team of teachers and vibrant student community." jefatura@caminobarcelona.com



### Genta, Head of Marketing

"Many people who come to Barcelona for a short time, like me, end up staying, because it's a city that gets you hooked... because of the people, the weather, the beaches, the nightlife, its

unique architecture... you never get bored!" genta@caminobarcelona.com

#### Natalia, Head of Accommodation

"I really like Barcelona, but you can escape the city to relax if you want. Barcelona has its own beaches... so you can enjoy the sea, or travel inland to walk or ski in the mountains! I love city



life, the mountains and the sea – so it's perfect for me!" alojamiento@caminobarcelona.com



#### Sandrine, Administration

"I came to Barcelona 12 years ago for a 1 week holiday and I fell in love with the city: I just loved the "vibe" of Barcelona: Its open air activities, restaurants, numerous cinemas, concerts, atmosphere,

nightlife and of course... its stunning surroundings" sandrine@caminobarcelona.com

#### Sonia, Administration

"I've always liked meeting people from different countries, and at Camino our students really are from such a wide range of nationalities that it's like a mini United Nations! It creates a really unique



atmosphere that I haven't found anywhere else." sonia@caminobarcelona.com



#### Christina, Teacher

"Working at Camino is different. Teachers really need to work as a team if students are to progress. I've never known any group of teachers to work as well as a team as they do at this school

– It's a great place to teach!"

### Héctor, Teacher

"I've taught Spanish for quite a few years, but I'm also interested in Business and Business Studies. So, as well as teaching Spanish as a Foreign Language, I also teach Business Spanish.



If you choose to do a Business Spanish course, I'll be your tutor!"



#### **Estela**, Teacher

"My special interest in Spanish Language Teaching is preparing students for the DELE exam. As a certified DELE examiner myself, I know just what students need to pass the

exam. I'm pleased to say we have a 95% DELE exam pass rate at Camino!"

#### Marta, Teacher

"Working as a Spanish teacher in Camino Barcelona lets me meet people of different nationalities, and teaching my language and culture at the same time as showing off my city and everything it has to offer, is brilliant."



### Alberto, Teacher

"From the very first day that I started teaching at Camino Barcelona, I realised it was different from other schools. The staff here have created a truly special atmosphere, like a

community, with students and teachers working really well together."

#### Leticia, Teacher

"I absolutely recommend Camino Barcelona for the quality of its teaching and the wide variety of activities it offers in a pleasant and very friendly atmosphere. For both the



students and teachers, it's a great place to work and to study!"



# Methodology

Our aim is to help you learn as much Spanish as possible in the time available to you.

We use modern communicative teaching methods, to ensure that our students acquire a practical ability to use and understand Spanish. We place great emphasis on our students being able to speak, understand, read and write in Spanish, rather than just having a theoretical knowledge of the language.

Our teachers are fully qualified teachers of Spanish as a Foreign Language, all university graduates and all with specific training and expertise in this field. They love teaching Spanish and they know how to make lessons both effective and at the same time enjoyable. You learn a language better if you can see that you are progressing and if you are enjoying the experience!

A wide range of teaching resources and techniques are used by our teachers, including course books, games, role-play, discussions, films, music, daily news and anything else that helps you learn quickly and effectively.

The class content and teaching approach are designed around the student needs in each particular group, to ensure that each and every student in the group is catered for and their needs met.

Our groups have a maximum of just 10 students (average 7), so our teachers are able to treat all our students as individuals, giving every student the personal attention that they need if they are to learn Spanish well and make rapid progress.













Levels

At Camino Barcelona, we offer all levels from beginners to advanced. We follow guidelines from the E.U. and its European reference guidelines (CEFRL), which are **A1**, **A2**, **B1**, **B2**, **C1** and **C2**. We carefully assess your Spanish with a written and oral test, so that we can decide what level is most appropriate for you. If you think that it's too easy or too difficult, we will change your class and level for you.

### A1: Beginners Level

You will join this group as a complete beginner. By the end of this level you will be capable of communicating with a native person if they speak clearly and slowly. You will be able to:

- Express basic needs
- Talk about your likes and interests
- Ask and answer questions about yourself, people you know and your belongings
- Make simple statements and answer basic questions
- Use numbers to talk about the time, dates and cost

### A2: Elementary Level

When you finish this level you will be using Spanish to communicate in a range of social situations, including:

- Being able to complete simple tasks which require basic exchanges of information such as describing where you work, what you do in your free time, arranging appointments etc.
- Asking for information in different situations such as in shops, hotels, train stations etc.
- Explaining personal experiences in the past tense

### B1: Intermediate Level

When you finish this level, you will be able to interact with native speakers in a wide range of situations, including:

- Taking part in discussions, expressing your view points, giving opinions
- Talking about your past experiences and plans for the future
- Giving reasons for your actions and ambitions
- Being able to make complaints and give instructions
- Using tenses to communicate information about the past, present and future

### C1: Advanced Level

At this level you will be able to communicate fluently and spontaneously in any situation, whether social, professional or academic. You will express yourself well and confidently, using a very broad range of vocabulary and structure. You will have no difficulty in:

- Understanding most discussions, lectures and texts
- Making your point, explaining and supporting your argument
- Getting involved in any situation which requires communication

### **B2: Upper Intermediate Level**

At this level you can express yourself clearly on a wide range of topics, whether in spoken or written Spanish. You will be able to use quite complex grammatical structures and a broad range of vocabulary to communicate well with native speakers, including:

- Taking part in discussions, speaking fluently and without effort
- Understanding most of what you read in Spanish, even if it is technical or abstract
- Express yourself well in written Spanish, whether formal, informal, technical or other

### **C2:** Superior Level

Students at this level have a very highly developed ability to use Spanish to express themselves, without making mistakes, on any issue, even if the topic is unfamiliar to them. They can use written and spoken Spanish both accurately and appropriately in any situation:

- Employing colloquial expressions and idioms
- Recognizing different shades of meaning in any situation
- Expressing yourself concisely and exactly
- Communicating complex arguments effectively, in written and spoken form



## Courses



## Intensive Spanish Course

This is the most popular of our Spanish courses, as it is intensive enough to help you make rapid progress with your

Spanish, whilst at the same time allowing you plenty of free time to explore Barcelona. There are 20 lessons per week, with a maximum of just 10 students per class.

LEVELS: LESSONS:

LENGTH: CLASS SIZE: DURATION: Beginner to Advanced 20 per week 4 per day 50 minutes Max 10 (Average: 7) 1 to 48 weeks













### Super Intensive Course

This course of 25 Spanish lessons per week is ideal if you want to learn as much Spanish as possible in the time that

you have available to you. You will have 4 general Spanish lessons per day. The 5th lesson each day is a workshop, enabling you to practice the Spanish that you have learnt in the first 4 lessons. Every day we offer a different workshop on such topics as Spanish culture, pronunciation, Spanish cookery, music, movies, history, Spanish literature, Gaudí, Dali, and even Barcelona Football Club.

#### LEVELS: LESSONS:

LENGTH: CLASS SIZE: DURATION: Beginner to Advanced 25 per week 5 per day 50 minutes Max 10 (Average: 7) 1 to 48 weeks





## Combined Course

This course is composed of 20 group lessons per week, plus 5 private lessons. In the private lessons, you can concentrate

on whatever you prefer – speaking skills, writing, or to use Spanish to prepare for a particular job, or to pass a particular exam. You yourself decide what you want to cover in your private lessons.

LEVELS: LESSONS:

LENGTH:

**CLASS SIZE:** 

**DURATION:** 

20 group + 5 private per week 4 group, 1 private per day 50 minutes Max 10 (Private: 1) 1 to 48 weeks

Beginner to Advanced











One-to-One Courses The One-to-One courses consist of 1, 2, 5 10, 20, 30 or as many private

lessons as you wish, per week. One-to-One courses are the perfect choice if you have particular needs that you do not feel will be met in a group course, or if you simply wish to have more individualised attention, so as to learn faster.

Let us know what you want to study, and we will design the course around you!

#### LEVELS: LESSONS:

LENGTH: CLASS SIZE: DURATION: Beginner to Advanced 1, 2, 5 10, 20, 30 per week 2, 4 or 6 per day 55 minutes Max 1 1 to 48 weeks



## **DELE Exam Preparation**

The most prestigious and most widely internationally recognised examinations in Spanish as a Foreign Language are the

DELE examinations. This course will prepare you for these exams with 20 specific DELE exam preparation lessons per week, focussing on all you need to pass this exam. At Camino, we currently have a **95% pass** rate in the DELE examinations!

LEVELS:

LESSONS: LENGTH: CLASS SIZE: DURATION: Intermediate to Advanced A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, C2 20 per week,4 per day 50 minutes Max 10 (Average: 7) 2, 3 or 4 weeks











## A-Level Revision Course

This course is ideal for students preparing for the A-Level or International Baccalaureate/Irish Leaving Certificate

exams. You will have 20 general Spanish lessons per week, plus 5 examination preparation lessons. During the general Spanish lessons, students improve their general Spanish language level. During the exam preparation lessons, tutors focus on the specific tasks that students face in the A-Level Spanish and IB/Irish Leaving Cert. examinations.

#### LEVELS: LESSONS:

LENGTH: CLASS SIZE: DURATION: 1st or 2nd year of course 25 per week 5 per day 50 minutes Max 10 (Average: 7) 1 or 2 weeks

## Courses



## Spanish & Salsa

Learn Spanish and learn how to Salsa at the same time! Each week you'll have 20 Spanish lessons (offered at all levels)

with experienced, native Spanish teachers, plus 5 Salsa classes with professional Salsa instructors. It's a great way to learn Spanish and make friends!

LEVELS: LESSONS:

LENGTH: CLASS SIZE: DURATION: Beginner to Advanced 20 Spanish + 5 Salsa per week 4 group, 1 Salsa per day 50 minutes Max 10 (Average: 7) 1 - 48 weeks













### Spanish for Business

Whether you are looking for a job in Spain, or your company wants to start trading in a Spanish speaking country,

this Business Spanish course in Barcelona is perfect for you! You can choose between four separate Business Spanish modules, or do all four! The four modules cover the Spanish required for working in Finance, Marketing, International Commerce and Human Resources.

#### LEVELS: LESSONS:

LENGTH: CLASS SIZE: DURATION: Intermediate to Advanced 10 per week 2 per day 50 minutes Max 10 (Average: 6) 1 to 4 weeks



## Christmas/New Year Course

Why not escape to Barcelona for a magical Christmas! Barcelona is special at any time of year, but Christmas and New

Year in Barcelona are truly something to be experienced – with Christmas fairs, great shopping and nightlife, as well as places to explore, such as Gaudi's Sagrada Familia, the Gothic Quarter, the old port and Montjuic. There are 20 Spanish lessons per week, plus activities.

LEVELS: LESSONS:

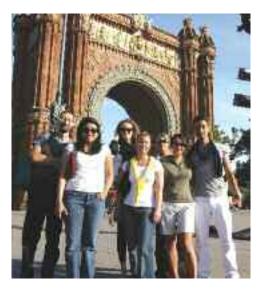
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CLASS SIZE:

**DURATION:** 

Beginner to Advanced 20 per week 4 per day 50 minutes Max 10 (Average: 7) 1 or 2 weeks













Saint Valentine's Course

This course takes place during the week before and the week after Saint Valentine's Day.

The course is held in the mornings or afternoons, and consists of 20 Spanish lessons per week (4 lessons per day), plus activities related to Saint Valentine's. The course is ideal for single people who would like to spend one or two weeks in Barcelona, improve their Spanish language skills and make friends.

#### LEVELS: LESSONS:

LENGTH: CLASS SIZE: DURATION: Beginner to Advanced 20 per week 4 per day 50 minutes Max 10 (Average: 7) 1 or 2 weeks



# Courses



## Club 50+ Course

This Spanish course is ideal for mature students and senior citizens who wish to learn Spanish with students of a similar

age. In the classes you will be entirely with students of 50 years and over, and the organized activities are also exclusively for students on this course.

LEVELS: LESSONS:

LENGTH: CLASS SIZE:

**DURATION:** 

Elementary & Intermediate 15 per week 3 per day 50 minutes Max 10 (Average: 7) 1 or 2 weeks







Work Experience

Each year, we offer a limited number of work placements/ internships at our school in Barcelona. The work

placement trainees work as reception/Marketing Assistants, assisting with general reception, administrative and marketing duties.









Evening Spanish Course

This course is the perfect choice for anyone studying or working in Barcelona, whatever their level. If you

do not have much time free and want to learn Spanish while living in Barcelona, this course is perfect for you! The course takes place 2 days per week in the evenings, with one hour and a half each day of Spanish lessons.

LEVELS: LESSONS: LENGTH: CLASS SIZE: DURATION: Beginner to Advanced 2 per week 1 hour 30 minutes Max 10 (Average: 7) 12 weeks or more



# Accommodation

## On-site Superior Apartments

These fully equipped, self-catering apartments are all in located the same building as our school, ideally situated in the centre of Barcelona, just 10 minutes walk from Plaza Catalunya.

Each apartment has FREE Wi-Fi Internet access.

There are 10 student apartments in the building, all of which are occupied by international students, studying Spanish at our school.

The apartments have single rooms and twin rooms, so you can choose to have a room for yourself, or to share a room with another student. Each apartment has a modern fully-fitted kitchen, dining area, flat screen TV, plus two bathrooms. The twin rooms are also avaiable for sole use. There is a maximum of just 5 students per apartment. Rooms with **private bathrooms** are also available.

Many of the rooms have balconies and there are extensive sun terraces on top of the building, which are very popular with students on sunny afternoons after class, and at the weekend.















# Accommodation

## On-site Superior Residence

The residence is located on the floors above our school, so, to get to school each day, you would simply go down the stairs, or use the lift!

There is FREE Wi-Fi Internet access in every room of the residence.

All the students in the residence are also studying Spanish at our school. As well as your accommodation, you will receive 2 meals a day.

You can also make tea or coffee, or snacks for yourself, in the kitchen. You can choose to stay in single rooms, twin rooms, or in 'twin rooms for sole use'. Staying in a twin room for sole use means that you have a twin room (which is considerably larger than a single room), just for you.

There are two bathrooms for every three rooms in the student residence. There are also living areas, with flat screen TVs. Rooms are also available with **private bathrooms** and most rooms also have balconies. There are sun terraces on top of the residence, for students to use in their leisure time.











# Accommodation

## Spanish Host Families

Staying with a Spanish host family is the best option for students who wish to learn as much Spanish as possible in the time available to them.

This is because if you choose to stay with a Spanish host family you will be totally immersed in the Spanish language, with lots opportunities to practise with the family the Spanish that you learn in class.

All our Spanish host families are carefully selected by us. A member of staff from our school visits the family to assess their suitability for hosting our students. All families provide a comfortable and welcoming environment for our students.



### Standard Apartments

Many of our students choose to stay in a Standard Self-Catering Apartment. These standard apartments are fully equipped with, a kitchen, bathroom, living room and 3 or 4 bedrooms. Most apartments also have balconies. Typically, 4 to 6 people live in each apartment, normally a mixture of international students and Spaniards.

A shared student apartment is an excellent choice, if you wish to cook for yourself and enjoy the experience of sharing an apartment. Standard apartment accommodation gives you complete independence and is also a great way to meet people and make friends, but is not as high standard accommodation as our on-site superior apartments.



## Standard Residence

A student residence is a good option if you wish to stay with students, but do not want to stay in a host family and would prefer not to cook for yourself in a shared apartment.

You can choose to stay in a single room, or in a twin (shared) room. Some residences also have triple rooms.

All our residences offer half board (breakfast, plus another meal) accommodation. It is sometimes possible to have bed and breakfast, or full board (3 meals per day).

The standard residences offer comfortable acommodation, but not as high a standard as our superior on-site residence.











# **Cultural Activities**

Barcelona is a wonderful location to learn Spanish, a city of beautiful buildings, wonderful lifestyle, history, culture, excellent shopping and leisure facilities, plus kilometres of golden sandy beaches truly unique, quite unlike anywhere else!

To help our students discover all that there is to see and do in Barcelona, as well as enjoy themselves and practise the Spanish that they learn on their course, we organise an extensive cultural program.

Typical activities include:

- Guided walks with tutors, to places of interest within Barcelona
- Spanish film evenings in the school
- Workshops about Spanish cooking
- Welcome partiesl
- Cultural lessons
- Evenings out with tutors to see concerts of Salsa or Flamenco
- Picnic on the beach
- Visits to museums













# Arrival in Barcelona

It's very easy to get to Barcelona. There are direct flights to Barcelona International Airport, from all over the world. Or, you can easily reach Barcelona by train or coach.

We will send you your accommodation details before you arrive in Barcelona. After arriving in Barcelona, you should take a taxi, or the Metro, to your accommodation.

If you arrive at Barcelona Airport, you can take the Airport Bus to Plaza Cataluña. From Plaza Cataluña, you can take a taxi, or the Metro, to your accommodation. Or, you can take a taxi from Barcelona Airport to your accommodation.

Alternatively, we can arrange an airport transfer for you. You will then be met at Barcelona Airport on your arrival and taken directly to your accommodation.

















# Our Students



"My impression of the school is that the staff are dedicated and enjoy their work. This is a very important quality. The school is a nice size, not too big, so the the staff have enough time for queries." **Emma Bentley -** United Kingdom



"J'ai beaucoup apprécié toutes les personnes qui travaillent pour cette école. La situation de l'école (et de la residence) est idéale: Centre Ville +Transports faciles. Les Professeurs sont très à l'écoute." **David Berger -** *France* 



"Me gusta mucho esta escuela. Los profesoras son muy simpáticas y extrovertidas. I have had 2 meses fantásticos, muchas gracias. I will miss you, and hopefully I will return one day!" Nana Ryberg - Denmark



"La scuola è ben organizzata, con molte attività interessanti. Le lezioni sono ricche di argomenti e gli insegnanti sono molto pazienti e coinvolgono gli studenti negli esercizi e nelle attività." Elisa Francesca Monte - Italy



"I was very pleased with the quality of teaching, the atmosphere in the school. The way the teachers and students interacted with each other and the activities that were offered."

John Simons - Holland



"The school was of the highest quality. I have no complaints and felt very happy to reccommend it to friends and others I meet wishing to learn Spanish. The school was very enjoyable and all activities were ideal." Samantha Parsons - Australia



"War eine tolle Sache, diesen Kurs hier zu machen. Vielen Dank!" Janina Fox - Germany



"Overall I leave with an excellent impression of the school especially its staff who were always exceptionally friendly and helpful. Also due to the good atmosphere it was easy to meet people and become good friends!" **Paul Farrell -** *Ireland* 



"Trois semaines de cours c'est trop court. On a envie d'y rester plus longtemps. Les profs, le secretariat sont génieux: on y fait des rencontres merveilleuses. Mercie pour cette experience merveilleuse." **Gaëlle Vidiella -** *Switzerland* 



"I think it's a very good school, friendly people and I've learned a lot, also the activities after the lessons were very nice and pleasant. I really recommend other people the school." Leen Croymans - Belgium





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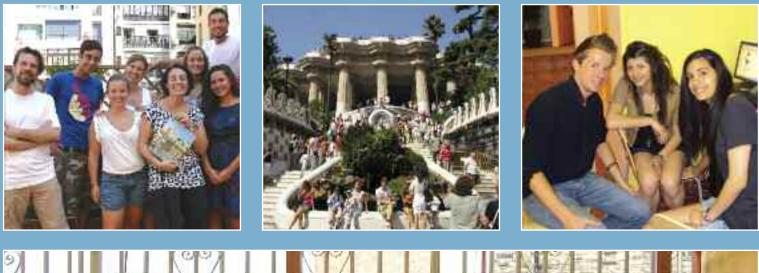
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