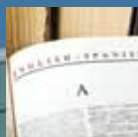


Spanish Course Schedule Winter 2012



General
Spanish



Business,
Medical and
Legal Spanish



Spanish for
Children and
Teachers



Private
Instruction



Classes at
our Facility or
Yours



Online
Spanish

January through March



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Why learn Spanish?

- **Gain an edge in the workplace** The US has the second largest Spanish speaking population in the world. It also has many trade agreements and work alliances with Latin America. Whether you need to converse with fellow employees or customers, the ability to speak Spanish will help you stand out.
 - **Improve your understanding of English** Spanish is a Romance Language and English has a big Latin component, too. Therefore, knowing Spanish helps English speakers broaden their vocabulary and improve their oral and written skills.
 - **Become smarter** Research shows that knowing and using two or more languages enhances memory and mental abilities in both children and adults. Studying languages improves memory, critical thinking, and age-related mental sharpness.
 - **Broaden your cultural understanding** Learning Spanish will expand your own personal universe. As the Spanish speaking population continues to grow, wouldn't it be nice to learn about its cultures and traditions through direct communication?
 - **Enhance your travel experiences** If you want a fuller travel experience, knowing the language will allow you to become a participant and not just an observer.
 - **It's fun** Learn Spanish and you can enjoy more books and movies, gain a better insight on Spanish foods and cuisines, and laugh it up with more people.
- Learning Spanish, whether it's for practical, intellectual, or personal reasons will benefit you forever!



Why learn at the Instituto Cervantes?

- **Small classes (6–12 students)**
- **We teach students to use Spanish in meaningful contexts right from the start.**
- **The only Spanish center endorsed by the Spanish Ministries of Education and Culture**
- **Curriculum follows Common European Framework**
- **A worldwide reputation for quality** With over 70 Institutos in all corners of the globe, the Instituto Cervantes has a long established reputation for bringing the Spanish language and culture to the world. Since 1991, people have counted on the Instituto Cervantes for a quality Spanish education. We are the only Spanish center recognized and endorsed by the Spanish Ministries of Education and Culture, as well as the Better Business Bureau.
- **Class variety** Whether you're a beginner or need to know Spanish for a specific purpose, the Instituto Cervantes has a class for you.
We offer:
 - General Spanish at all levels
 - Business, legal and medical Spanish
 - Classes to help teachers teach Spanish
 - Classes for children
 - On-site classes for companies, private instruction, enrichment courses, and on-line instruction.
- **An extensive schedule** Our class schedules can accommodate your schedule. We offer classes Monday through Saturday, from early morning to the evening hours.
- **Top-notch teachers and a friendly staff** Everyone at the Instituto Cervantes is committed to making your learning experience the best it can be. Each of our teachers is trained in Spanish education and many have advanced degrees. And our staff is always eager to help you.
- **A state of the art facility** Classrooms have the most advanced technology and resources to help students learn better.
- **Extras** —Discounts on cultural events for members
—**Discounted Parking (\$8 for up to 12 hours)**

Understanding the Curriculum

The curriculum of the Instituto Cervantes of Chicago has been developed following the Common European Framework of reference (CEFR). The CEFR is the basis for the elaboration of language syllabi, curriculum guidelines, testing and teaching materials for all Europe. It describes what language-learners need to do to effectively communicate within each language's cultural context. The CEFR defines levels of proficiency and provides assessment of progress at each stage and throughout a lifetime.



In the U.S., the American version of this curriculum design and assessment tool (Linguafolio), has been adopted and is being piloted in more than ten States.

Our curriculum at the Cervantes is detailed on the right.

Level	Achievement of this level means student is able to:
A1 Beginning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Understand and use familiar everyday expressions + very basic phrases; ■ Introduce him/herself + others; ask/answer questions about personal details; ■ Interact in a simple way if another person talks slowly, clearly, and helps
A2 Advanced Beginning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Understand sentences, common expressions, items of immediate relevance (basic personal + family information, shopping, local geography, employment); ■ Communicate with simple and direct exchanges of information; ■ Communicate one's background, environment, matters of immediate need.
B1 Intermediate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Understand main points on familiar situations encountered at work, school, + leisure; ■ Deal with situations encountered in travel circumstances in Spanish; ■ Converse about topics which are familiar or of personal interest; ■ Describe experiences and events, dreams, hopes, ambitions, and can communicate explanations for opinions and plans.
B2 Advanced	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Understand main ideas of concrete and abstract topics, including technical discussions in a specialized field; ■ Interact without strain with fluency and spontaneity with native speakers; ■ Speak and write on a wide range of subjects; can explain a viewpoint on a topical issue giving the advantages and disadvantages of various options.
C1 High Advanced	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Understand a wide range of demanding, longer texts, and recognizes implicit meaning; ■ Express oneself fluently and spontaneously; ■ Use language flexibly and effectively for social, academic, and professional purposes; ■ Produce clear, well-structured, detailed written and oral texts on complex subjects, show controlled use of organizational patterns, connectors, and cohesive devices.

January February March

Winter Quarter 2012 Academic Year 2011–2012

Registration: From November 14

Holidays: January 2—New Year's Day

January 16—Martin Luther King Day

February 20—President's Day

General Courses

30 Classroom Hours | Once a Week

MORNING | 9:00 am–12:00 pm | 3 hours per class | 10 sessions **\$ 365**

Mondays | January 23–April 2

222 | Beginning 2

223 | Beginning 4

224 | Intermediate 4

225 | Advanced 1

Tuesdays | January 17–March 20

226 | Beginning 3

227 | Intermediate 1

228 | Intermediate 3

229 | Advanced 2

Wednesdays | January 18–March 21

230 | Beginning 1

231 | Intermediate 2

232 | Advanced 4

233 | High Advanced 1

Thursdays | January 19–March 22

234 | Advanced 3

235 | High Advanced 2

236 | Brush-Up (Initial) **\$ 435**

237 | Brush-Up (Intermediate) **\$ 435**

Fridays | January 20–March 23

238 | Beginning 1

239 | Beginning 2

240 | Beginning 3

241 | Beginning 4

242 | Intermediate 2

AFTERNOON | 1:30–4:30 pm | 3 hours per class | 10 sessions **\$ 365**

Mondays | January 23–April 2

243 | Beginning 1

244 | Beginning 4

245 | Intermediate 2

246 | Advanced 2

Tuesdays | January 17–March 20

247 | Beginning 3

248 | Intermediate 1

249 | Advanced 3

250 | Brush-Up (Intermediate) **\$ 435**

Wednesdays | January 18–March 21

251 | Intermediate 4

252 | Advanced 1

253 | High Advanced 1

254 | Advanced 4

Thursdays | January 19–March 22

255 | Beginning 2

256 | Intermediate 3

257 | Brush-Up (Advanced) **\$ 435**

EVENING | 5:45–8:45 pm | 3 hours per class | 10 sessions **\$ 430**

Mondays | January 23–April 2

258 | Beginning 4

259 | Intermediate 1

260 | Advanced 3

261 | Brush-Up (Initial) **\$ 440**

Tuesdays | January 17–March 20

262 | Beginning 2

263 | Intermediate 2

264 | Advanced 2

265 | Brush-Up (Intermediate) **\$ 440**

Wednesdays | January 18–March 21

266 | Beginning 1

267 | Intermediate 3

268 | Advanced 4

269 | Brush-Up (Advanced) **\$ 440**

Thursdays | January 19–March 22

270 | Beginning 1

271 | Beginning 3

272 | Intermediate 4

273 | Advanced 1

Learn, Live, Love Spanish at
the Instituto Cervantes

General Courses Saturdays

MORNING | 9:00–12:15 pm | 3 hours per class | 10 sessions **\$ 448**

Saturdays | January 21–March 24

274 Beginning 1
275 Beginning 2
276 Beginning 3
277 Beginning 4
278 Intermediate 1
279 Intermediate 2
280 Intermediate 4
281 Advanced 2
282 High Advanced 4
331 Hablemos de Latinoamerica (Advanced) \$490

General Courses

30 Classroom Hours | Twice a Week

EARLY BIRD | 6:45–8:00 am | 1 hour and 15 minute class | 24 sessions **\$ 365**

Tuesdays & Thursdays | January 10–March 29

283 Beginning 1
284 Beginning 3
285 High Advanced Plus \$ 400
286 Catalan language
287 Basque language

MORNING | 10:00–11:30 am | 1 hour and 30 minute class | 20 sessions **\$ 365**

Mondays & Wednesdays | January 18–March 28

288 Beginning 1
289 Beginning 3
290 Intermediate 1
291 Intermediate 3
292 Advanced 1
293 Advanced 3
294 High Advanced 2
295 Brush-Up (Intermediate) \$ 440



Extend your reach, know another culture, get a better job.

Tuesdays & Thursdays | January 19–March 27

296 Beginning 2
297 Beginning 4
298 Intermediate 2
299 Intermediate 4
300 Advanced 2
301 Advanced 4
302 Fill in the Gaps 2 \$ 440
332 Hablemos de Latinoamerica (Advanced) \$ 440
362 20th Century Spanish Literature (Advanced) \$ 440

EVENING | 5:30–7:00 pm | 1 hour and 30 minute class | 20 sessions **\$ 448**

Mondays & Wednesdays | January 18–March 28

303 Beginning 2
304 Beginning 4
305 Intermediate 2
306 Intermediate 4
307 Advanced 3
333 Pintura y sociedad (Advanced) \$ 490

Tuesdays & Thursdays | January 19–March 27

308 Beginning 1
309 Beginning 3
310 Intermediate 1
311 Intermediate 3
312 Advanced 1

LATE EVENING | 7:15–8:45 PM | 1 hour and 30 minute class | 20 sessions **\$ 448**

Mondays & Wednesdays | January 18–March 28

313 Beginning 2
314 Beginning 4
315 Intermediate 2
316 Advanced 1

Tuesdays & Thursdays | January 19–March 27

317 Beginning 1
318 Beginning 3
319 Intermediate 1
320 Intermediate 3

SUPER INTENSIVE | 5:30–8:30 pm | 10 sessions **\$ 448**

Tuesdays & Thursdays | February 21–March 22

321 Beginning 1
322 Beginning 2
323 Beginning 3
324 Intermediate 1
325 Intermediate 2

Special Courses

Twice a Week

LUNCHTIME | 12:15–1:15 pm | 1 hour class | 15 sessions **\$ 255**

Tuesdays & Thursdays | January 24–March 13

326 | Conversation Club (Initial)

327 | Conversation Club (Intermediate)

328 | Conversation Club (Advanced)

329 | The Subjunctive

Special Courses

Once a Week

EVENING | 1 hour and 30 minute class | 10 sessions **\$ 255**

Mondays | 5:30–7:00 pm | January 23–April 2

334 | Advanced Conversation

335 | Advanced Business

7:15–8:45 pm

336 | Conversation, Reading & Grammar (Intermediate)

337 | Business Pills

Tuesdays | 5:30–7:00 pm | January 24–March 27

338 | Intermediate Conversation

339 | Marquez, Cela & Vargas Llosa

7:15–8:45 pm

340 | Advanced Conversation Through Stories

341 | Initial Conversation

Wednesdays | 5:30–7:00 pm | January 25–March 28

342 | Conversation & Writing Workshop (Advanced)

343 | An American in Spain (Advanced)

7:15–8:45 pm

344 | Creative writing workshop (Advanced)

345 | Grammar and writing (Advanced)

Thursdays | 5:30–7:00 pm | January 26 – March 29

346 | Initial Conversation

347 | Legal Spanish (Intermediate—Advanced)

7:15–8:45 pm

348 | Intermediate Conversation

349 | Conversation, Reading & Grammar (Initial)

CERVANTES KIDS

Children's proficiency will be assessed prior to the beginning of the classes to group them according to their level and age.

Children | Late Afternoon | 4:15–5:15 pm | 10 sessions **\$ 180**

Tuesdays | January 24–March 27 | Initial

350 | 6 to 8 years old

351 | 9 to 11 years old

352 | 12 to 14 years old

Thursdays | January 19–March 22 | Intermediate

353 | 6 to 8 years old

354 | 9 to 11 years old

355 | 12 to 14 years old

Spanish for Homeschooled Children on Fridays

9:30–11:30 am | January 20–March 23 | 20 hours **\$ 255**

Beginning

356 | 6 to 8 years old

357 | 9 to 11 years old

358 | 12 to 14 years old

Intermediate

359 | 6 to 8 years old

360 | 9 to 11 years old

361 | 12 to 14 years old



Other Services

- The Instituto Cervantes offers private classes and proofreading services upon request. Please call us for more information at (312) 335-1996.
- We can also organize group classes upon request.



Hola, Amigos

New Spanish Online courses for children

Levels 1, 2 and 3

This excellent online learning resource can be used as a complete course, or its activities can be used independently.

Course prices for 4-month access: **\$ 105**

For a 4-day free trial, please send your name, e-mail and course you wish to try to: cristina.iglesias@cervantes1.org



ONLINE Spanish Courses (AVE)

www.ave.cervantes.es

Beginning, Intermediate, Advanced, High Advanced

For a 4-day free trial, please send your name, e-mail, and course you wish to try to: chicago@cervantes1.org

To find out what level you are, you can take our online test at: www.ave.cervantes.es
(Click the 6th red box at the bottom menu that says “prueba de nivel!”)

Course prices for 4-month access:

- Independent study without a tutor: **\$ 105**
- Instituto Cervantes students registered in a regular or special course: **\$ 30**

Educational Institutions

- Per license (a minimum purchase of 10 licenses is required): **\$ 35**
- Access to all courses, levels and materials: **\$ 250**

Online registration now available at
www.chicago.cervantes.es

Discount Policies

Customize your registration fee.

Choose from the following options and qualify for a maximum of 25% off your next course.

1. I am a returning student—**5%** (*Must have registered for at least one class in the immediately preceding quarter.*)
2. I am registering two weeks prior to the beginning of the course—**5%**
3. I am registering for more than one course running simultaneously—**5%** (In the case that one of the two classes is cancelled due to lack of enrolment, there would be no discount for the remaining class.)
5. I am either a senior citizen, a student, a neighbor or an Instituto Cervantes member—**10%** (Student discount applies to high school and college students only. Must present proof of current senior (62+)/student status at time of registration.)

Neighbors are students within the following perimeter: North on Division, East on Lake Shore Drive, South on Jackson and West on Orleans/Wacker.

Maximum discount per student—25%

Please note that these discounts do not apply to AVE (Aula Virtual de Español), private, children and dance classes.

School Policies & Procedures

Please read carefully and familiarize with our policies and procedures.

Placement tests:

- Your level of Spanish can be evaluated by our teachers by taking a placement test at our premises. You can come any time during office hours, no appointment is necessary. **EVALUATION IS FREE OF CHARGE.**

Registration:

- Registration is possible by phone (312-335-1996) online or in person. We accept credit cards, checks and cash.
- Students are recommended to choose one class schedule and a second option in case their first option is either full or cancelled due to low enrolment.

Textbooks:

- All general classes require a textbook & workbook available for purchase at the reception desk. Their cost is not included in the class fee.

Refunds:

- The Instituto Cervantes is a not-for-profit organization committed to offering affordable courses.
- Any students withdrawing from a class before the course starts will receive a refund **minus a \$ 50.00 processing fee.**
- Any students wishing to receive a refund must request it in writing **before the start of the second class session. A refund minus a \$50.00 processing fee** will be made. No requests made after this date will be considered nor will any refunds, partial or otherwise, be granted.
- Tuition cannot be transferred to another person or to another quarter.
- **If a class is cancelled** by the Instituto due to low enrolment, tuition payment will be refunded in full.
- **No refunds or credit will be given for classes not attended.**

Make-up classes

- Students can make up a missed class in another class of the same level provided there is space. The student needs to request a make up class voucher at the reception desk to be admitted to the class. **Limit of three make-up classes.**

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