

LA LENGUA

Spanish School and Tours

Integrating Cultura and Tourism since 1994

The school

La Lengua is a friendly and familiar language school located in the heart of Quito, Ecuador. Established in 1994, the school offers all levels of the Spanish language. One student – one teacher is our secret to your success. From beginner to the advanced level, our individually tailored classes increase your knowledge of the Spanish language. All our teachers are helpful and have a university degree in teaching Spanish to foreign people. Our approach to teaching Spanish goes beyond the classroom and includes optional trips to Mitad del Mundo (Middle of the World), walking tours in Quito Colonial and visits to indigenous markets with your teacher. We also provide weekend excursions to offer you real-life practice and a first-hand experience of the Ecuadorian culture.

The country and its inhabitants

Ecuador is a beautiful country with a wide variety of landscapes. From the sierra to the jungle over the coast and the Galapagos Islands, there is so much to discover. The inhabitants are very friendly and helpful and will give you a warm welcome here. It is a fact that people in this country speak a very clear and slow Spanish so that you can follow the locals after only a short time at school. We invite you to come and see this beautiful country and meet its inhabitants.

Our Program

La Lengua offers you Spanish classes at different places so that you can enjoy all of this beautiful country. It's your choice where you will learn your Spanish and how many weeks you will stay at one or different places.

Quito

Ecuador's capital city at an altitude of 2.800 m./9.200 feet above sea level (2nd highest capital in Latin America) is in the heart of the Andes. The school is located in downtown Quito, close to restaurants, bars, internet facilities and about a 20 minute walk to the old centre of Quito which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Quito is a good base to discover the country (snow-capped volcanoes, crater lakes, volcanic thermal springs, Inca ruins and cloud forest) or even the continent.

Puerto López (Coast)

Located in the southwest of the country, Puerto López is a pleasant little fishing town set in a horseshoe bay. The town and the beach are parts of the Machalilla National Park (in which you can discover 3 different kind of forest: dry, humid and rainforest) and offer incredible natural and cultural excursions such as Isla de la Plata, Agua Blanca, Los Frailes and whale watching (from June to September).

Yarina Lodge, Coca (Jungle)

Right in the Amazon Jungle, Yarina Lodge is one hour canoe ride on the Napo river away from the town of Coca. It's a perfect base to discover the mysteries virgin rainforest with its incredibly diversity of flora and fauna. Aside from learning Spanish, the local guide will teach you about the various uses of the numerous tropical and medicinal plants as well as provides you a unique cultural experience.

Otavalo (Sierra)

About 2 hours north of Quito, Otavalo is the most renowned indigenous town famous for its outstanding indigenous handcrafts markets with textiles, jewelry and leather goods. Here you can experience Ecuadorian culture at its best while also enjoying the breathtaking natural scenery.



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Sendero del Jaguar, Puerto Quito (Coastal rainforest)

A tropical place northwest of Quito, along the road to the beach. Known for the unique flavours of the organic-grown fruits and it's natural surrounding with white water rivers and amazing waterfalls.

Special programs

4 weeks course

La Lengua offers a very interesting four weeks Spanish course in Quito, Otavalo, Yarina Lodge (jungle) and Puerto López (coast). You will stay in each place about one week and there are several excursions apart from learning Spanish so that you can enjoy most of Ecuador, its nature and its culture in just a short time. The program includes private Spanish lessons, excursions, salsa classes, several meals and bus fares. For further information ask for our special leaflet with all the details you need.

2 weeks Spanish for travelers

La Lengua offers a 2 weeks course for those who only need Spanish for a future travel. This course will help you handle every day situations like travel agencies, hostals, restaurants, museums, markets or excursions. In only 40 hours of private classes you will pick up enough words to manage your trip in Latin America much better.

Program for medical students and professionals

La Lengua offers a special course for medical students and professionals who work as volunteer in hospitals or medical centers in Quito. You will learn the medical vocabulary within Spanish classes, which is needed at work and in daily situations in hospitals.

Our schedules

La Lengua offers school from Monday to Friday, 8.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. (optional at weekends), depending on your needs, interests and the time you want to study. Our students normally take between 20 to 35 hours per week. We offer both private and group lessons. Each lesson lasts about 55 minutes. At the first day at school, we will find out your level and develop an individual program for you.

Homestay with a local family

We highly recommend you to stay with an Ecuadorian family while you are studying at LA LENGUA. This will enrich your experience abroad and improve your Spanish conversation skills a lot. Our host families have been carefully selected and have worked with us for many years. They all live close to the school (usually 5 to 20 minutes by foot). The families have experience sharing their homes and lives with foreign students. You will get a private room and up to three meals a day. Any requests as non smoking, vegetarian and others are no problem, just let us know your needs.

Volunteer work

We can help you to find a volunteer work while you're staying here. We have contact with non-profit organizations. Some of them are in the city, others work in the countryside. It's an excellent opportunity to get to know the people of this country better, to practice the language and understand the culture.

Galapagos Islands

We also offer trips to the Galapagos Islands. For further information about dates, prices, categories of boats etc. please contact us.



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Airport pick up

As a service to our students, we offer an airport pick up to take you to your family or to your hostel. Just let us know the date, time and flight number of your arrival and we'll be there to meet you.

Costs

Private lesson (one to one) US\$ 6 per hour
Group lesson (max. 4 persons) US\$ 5 per hour

Private lesson in your house US\$ 8 per hour

Special program (4 weeks) US\$ 1.685

Homestay

Private room and three meals a day US\$ 14 per day

Private room and two meals a day US\$ 13 per day

Private room with breakfast only US\$ 11 per day

Private room without meals US\$ 10 per day

Airport pick up US\$ 10

Other information/help

If you need any further information about the school, the country, volunteer work or help for your visa, review of contracts etc. please let us know (the school has it's own lawyer).

We are glad to help you have a great experience abroad.

Atentamente

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