

Spanish for survival

Elective course

ECTS: 1

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1. Course presentation

In this course you will learn basic Spanish language and structures in order to understand and use the language during your stay in Barcelona.

For example, how to introduce yourself and ask basic questions. You will learn useful phrases and vocabulary related to the socio-cultural activities that we are going to carry out in the program, which may be useful in the future.

2. Objectives of the course

Upon completion of the course, students will be able to:

- Greet and say goodbye.
- Use politeness formulas (thank you, excuse me, please,...).
- Know how to introduce oneself.
- Ask basic questions in class.
- Ask for directions.
- Request the price of goods in a shop.
- Order in a restaurant.
- Know how to ask for help.

3. Course content

Session	Related activity	Content
Landing	Welcome to IQS	Learning to greet and introduce oneself. Polite formulas. Classroom vocabulary. Usual questions during a class.
Discovering the city	Guided visit through the old town	How to get around on public transport. Vocabulary related to the city. Location of emblematic places. Learning to ask how to get somewhere. Useful phrases in a shop or establishment.



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Catalan and Spanish cuisine	Tapas workshop	Names of typical dishes, food, and ingredients. Ordering in a restaurant. Looking for typical restaurants?
A day at the beach	Kayak and paddle surf in La Barceloneta. Day trip to the Costa Brava	How do I get to the beach? What do I have to bring? Vocabulary related to the activities. Learning how to ask for help. What sports do you usually do?
An approach to Modernism	Cultural visit to a modernist building	Vocabulary related to museums. Do you know who Antoni Gaudí was? Which of Barcelona's emblematic buildings do you know? Have you visited any? A brief explanation and practical information.

4. Methodology

In order to achieve the proposed objectives, the following methods shall be used:

- Group dynamics
- Role-playing
- Multimedia resources

5. Evaluation

The course is assessed with ongoing evaluation. Attendance and participation in class are essential to achieve the course's learning objectives and the attendance rate must not be lower than the current policy of the IQS School of Management.

The evaluation will be 100% based on class participation and activities.

6. Resources

It is strongly recommended that students have a personal laptop or tablet to follow the course requirements.