

AP Homestay Study Program in Spain

2010 Dates and Price*

Cádiz: July 4-17
Sevilla: June 20-July 3

2-week program: \$2,130
(airfare not included)

*We reserve the right to adjust program prices if there is a major change in the currency exchange rate. In this case, applicants may cancel and receive a full refund.



Program Highlights

- small-group language classes
- specific focus on AP requirements
- exciting cultural activities and excursions
- homestay with a welcoming host family

Cádiz and Sevilla, Spain

Choose from two exciting program locations: Cádiz or Sevilla. **Sevilla**, the cultural capital of Andalusia, is famous for its stunning architecture, beautiful public gardens, and vibrant festivities. **Cádiz** is an ancient city in southern Spain with great beaches and traces of Roman and Moorish cultures. Explore the narrow, cobblestoned streets of either city, pick some fresh oranges from the trees, and try out your Spanish in conversations with the locals!

The Classes

Our AP language course includes fun, interactive classes that will let you take your Spanish to the next level. All teachers have been trained and approved by the College Board AP Program. Classes are held for three hours every weekday morning and focus on preparing you to get the most out of your AP language year. It covers specific grammar topics and vocabulary from the AP curriculum while giving you insights into different aspects of Spanish culture. At the end, you will give an oral presentation and test your new Spanish skills in a mini-exam.

Cultural Activities

Discover the beauty of southern Spain and learn more about Spanish culture through afternoon activities and excursions! Depending on the location, you may visit a Flamenco concert, get a close look at the historic buildings, or enjoy the relaxed pace of life on the beach.

Accommodations

A homestay with a local family is the best way to immerse yourself in the daily life in Spain. Host families come in all shapes and sizes, but what they all have in common is a strong interest in sharing their culture. Your host family will provide three meals per day.

"It was a great experience to discover new things and ways of life. Learning about the culture and history of Spain and interacting with other students from around the world were my favorite parts of the program."

~Colleen, 2008~

Sample 2-Week Itinerary (Sevilla)

Week One

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| Monday - | welcome reception |
| Tuesday- | Cathedral and Giralda tower |
| Wednesday- | Bullfighting ring |
| Thursday- | Royal Palace |
| Friday- | free afternoon |
| Weekend- | overnight excursion to Cádiz |

Week Two

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| Monday - | Flamenco concert |
| Tuesday- | scavenger hunt |
| Wednesday - | free afternoon |
| Thursday - | Plaza España and Parque Maria Luisa |
| Friday - | school dance party |
| Weekend - | departure |



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Frequently Asked Questions

Who can apply for this program? This program is open to students 15-17 who have studied Spanish for the equivalent of at least three years in high school and feel ready for AP level instructions. The course is specifically designed for students preparing for AP classes.

What does the price include? Tuition for the language course, study materials, homestay placement with meals, cultural activities and excursions, travel insurance, pre-departure orientation materials, and on-site support in Spain.

What is a host family? A host family may be two parents with children (from baby to adult), a single mother or father, a couple without children, grandparents, or a single person. All host families are screened by our partner organization in Spain and provide warm, welcoming homes for international students. There may be another international student sharing the homestay with you.

Will my family speak English? They might, but they know that you are coming to use and improve your Spanish skills, so they will encourage you to speak their language.

When will I receive my host family placement information? You will receive host family details and contact information in the week prior to your arrival date, possibly earlier.

How will I get from the airport to my host family? A local program coordinator will meet you at the arrival airport in Jerez de la Frontera (if you are going to Cádiz) or Sevilla (if you are taking the course in Sevilla) and take you to your host family's home. You will also be escorted back to the airport at the end of your stay.

Will there be an orientation? Once you are accepted into the program, we will send you comprehensive orientation materials that cover everything from packing suggestions to dealing with culture shock.

Can I get high school credits for this program? Possibly. Talk to your teachers before the end of the school year about the option of completing an independent study project during or after your stay abroad.

What travel documents will I need? That depends on the length of your program, your citizenship, and other individual factors. Entry requirements change frequently, so we strongly recommend that you contact your nearest Spanish embassy or consulate to get up-to-date information. Generally, U.S. citizens need a passport, but not a visa for a short-term stay. It is your responsibility to obtain all necessary travel documents for your stay in Spain.

Can I speak to people who have participated in the program before? Definitely! Please contact our office and we can provide you with the email addresses of students who have been on this program.

How do I apply? Complete the initial application form and return it to ANDEO with a \$500 deposit. We will then send you a detailed application with questions about your family and interests, a medical statement and release form, an agreement that spells out behavior expectations, directions for writing a letter to your host family, and three reference forms. You will have about 3-4 weeks to complete this. The decision to accept you into the program will be made based on your completed application. If for any reason we cannot accept you into the program, your deposit will be refunded in full.

What is the application deadline? The deadline is May 1st. However, we recommend that you apply as soon as you feel that all your questions have been answered and you decided that this is the right program for you. Courses sometimes fill up early.

Who should not apply for this program? Students who are currently experiencing excessive behavior problems, drug or alcohol abuse, eating disorders or other psychological disorders that might interfere with the program, or students who have experienced these issues in the past year should not apply.

When should I book my flight? After you have been officially accepted into the program. Information about arrival and departure times will be included in your acceptance letter.

Are there any scholarships? No, ANDEO is a non-profit organization and we try to keep prices as low as possible for all participants. For students who want to fundraise for their program abroad, we have compiled some ideas and suggestions. You can find them on our website at www.andeo.org.



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