

International Language & Culture Programs *Designed for Teens*



## Immersion Programs for Teens

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## Top 7 Reasons for Teens to Study Abroad with NRCSA

**#7 Be a world traveler!** Studying abroad offers you the opportunity to experience life in another city and country other than your own. Plus, many programs include fieldtrips and travel to a variety of sites of interest outside the host city.

**#6 Learn the foreign language much faster than you would at home!** Being constantly surrounded by native speakers of the language, on average, allows students to learn, on average, about as much in 4 to 8 WEEKS in the foreign country as they do in one or two SEMESTERS of study in their home country.

**#5 Meet other high school students from around the world!** All NRCSA programs are multi-national and accept students from around the world. Many locations welcome students from as many as 20-30 countries each year!

**#4 Join a program doing things you like best!** Do you like soccer? Beach volleyball? Horseback riding? Are you into music, art, cooking, or dancing? Many teen programs offer the opportunity for students to get involved with a number of different areas of interest in addition to the study of the local language and culture.

**#3 Live with someone else's family for awhile!** It's always great to be a guest in someone's home... and experience another mom's great cooking! Many programs abroad offer students a chance to live with a "host family". Request a family with other teens your age, and the possibilities for a great time are endless. Alternatively, some teen programs offer student residence lodging (similar to a university dorm – but for high school students) instead of a homestay.

**#2 It's never too early to start building your resume!**

Applying for a job isn't the only time a diverse resume comes in handy. When you are applying to universities and colleges, any experiences that make you unique increase your chances of being accepted. Participating in school government and clubs, sports, volunteer work, and all types of international experiences all look great on your application form... and the more you've done when it comes time to apply, the better.

**#1 You don't have to spend the summer bored, or worse, in a summer school math class!**

This summer, do something different, get ahead in school, and have an awesome time!

## Why Send Your Son or Daughter to Study Abroad with NRCSA?

*NRCSA is one of the most experienced and longest operating private US providers of foreign immersion language & culture training for teens.*

- Since 1968, NRCSA has provided language, culture and recreational programs to over 25,000 teens at 40 approved centers worldwide.
- NRCSA provides a level of service, program customization, expertise, and overall results not available through other sources of foreign language and culture training.
- NRCSA staff have visited and evaluated thousands of language schools offering teen and other language and culture programs around the world, and only utilize those we consider the best based on our evaluative methods. Program quality and participant satisfaction are of vital importance to NRCSA and our consortium schools.
- Over 500 US and Canadian high schools and universities currently have formal programs with NRCSA and its consortium schools. Teachers from over 800 school districts, staff from approximately 1,400 corporations, and personnel from over 75 US government and nongovernmental organizations have attended NRCSA programs.
- We appreciate that different people have different priorities when studying abroad, and we look forward to assisting you and your son or daughter in achieving your shared objectives.

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## NRCSA IN THE MEDIA

*"Placing people in programs suited to their special interests is the aim of the National Registration Center for Study Abroad."*

- The New York Times

*"Vacations involving language study allow travelers to immerse themselves in a culture in a way that a traditional vacation may not... The National Registration Center for Study Abroad can help you choose a language program that is right for you."*

- San Francisco Examiner

*"But the beauty part of (NRCSA) is that it shines light on things the average American traveler would be unlikely to learn about any other way."*

- Boston Globe



# Supervised Teen Study Program in Benalmadena, Spain

**For Ages: 14-17**  
**Absolute Beginner to Intermediate Spanish**  
**Supervised Program**

The Teen Program combines formal classroom work with a varied program of leisure activities to introduce teens to the Spanish culture, sports and lifestyles. All levels are taught, from beginner to advanced, and formal classes are held in the morning consisting of 15 hours per week in small groups. At the end of the course, every student will receive a full report on his/her work and progress, as well as a Course Completion Certificate.

The Center is considered one of the leading youth organizations in the south of Spain and is a member of FIYTO (Federation of International Youth Travel Organization).

The teaching facilities are modern with 12 large, bright classrooms, all with air-conditioning and audiovisual facilities. There is also a library, a video room, a dining room and cafeteria, and sports grounds. Students also have access to e-mail and the internet. The school teaches foreign languages to Spaniards as well and prepares them for university exams, hence students are generally interested in conversational exchange.

The Spanish conversation and discussion techniques used in class are based on real life situations, helping the student to develop their skills in the areas of oral comprehension, idiomatic usage, and fluency. The materials used in the courses are comprised of recognized publications for foreign language learning with the supplementary audio/visual system and supplementary material prepared by the school's skilled staff. Classes are on weekdays in the mornings (total of 15 hours per week). There are 2 levels: Beginner and Intermediate. A placement exam is given at the start of the course. There is a maximum of 11 students per group, with an average of 5 - 8. An Attendance Diploma is given after a final examination.

There are four skills: reading, writing, listening and speaking which need to be studied and developed from the start of the program. The emphasis on these four areas helps to enable the student to use their knowledge of the Spanish language in day - to - day communication. An immersion approach to the language is used for all levels – this means that from day one only Spanish is spoken in the classroom. This approach helps the student to become comfortable with the Spanish language quickly. Teachers use authentic material in the classroom, role playing, and an adaptive approach to grammatical structures and vocabulary which become progressively more complex as the student advances between levels. At advanced levels different types of text are used to encourage the recognition and reproduction of different language styles.

**Quick Facts**  
**Start:** June through August  
**Age:** 14-17  
**Cost:** \$ 1,585 +  
**Num. Weeks:** 2 - 6  
**Level:** Beginner to Intermediate  
 Attractive coastal town of Costa Del Sol  
 Fun upbeat atmosphere at the school.  
 School offers excellent modern facilities and 5 minute walking distance from the beach.  
 Excellent teen program.



Modern teaching methods and equipment are accompanied by skilled and friendly teachers and administrative staff. Teachers have been carefully selected after considering their qualifications, previous teaching experience and personalities. The school is a member of AEDAV (Asociación de Agencias de Viajes de la Costa del Sol) and the founding member of AEEA (Asociación de Escuelas de Español en Andalucía).

## Day-At-A-Glance

Time	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
9.30-13.00 (1:00PM)	Placement Test, City Tour & 1 Spanish Lesson	Spanish Lessons	Spanish Lessons	Spanish Lessons	Spanish Lessons	8.00 Depart for full day excursion by bus to Granada: Visit the world famous Alhambra Palace.	Departure transfer to Malaga, return flight home OR
Afternoon and Evening	Conference on Picasso Sports activities at the school  Dinner and evening with host family	Spanish movie and Flamenco lessons at the school Evening: Bowling at the Plaza Mayor	Half-day visit to Malaga: visit to the Cathedral and the new Picasso Museum Dinner and evening with host family	Cable car to the local mountains and trekking Dinner and Flamenco show	Sports activities School party in the evening	Bag lunch provided by host family  Dinner upon return provided by host family	Afternoon with host family if staying for 2 weeks

## Activities & Excursions

There are a number of both social and cultural activities included in the program. The activities are designed to engage the student in the Spanish culture, and to help ensure that they enjoy their program. The activities also give students a chance to meet with other teens from around the world, and practice their Spanish in a friendly, fun environment. The excursions give the student a chance to see Spain, and provide an excellent opportunity to explore the local region and its attractions. It also gives students a chance to practice their Spanish outside of the classroom.

*Past Afternoon & Evening Activities Have Included*

- Sports: Badminton, Football (soccer), Basketball, Among others
- Dance Lessons: Sevillanas, Salsa, and Latino Dance
- Various Organized Social Activities
- Swimming at the Municipal Pool & Local Beach
- Fancy Dress Parties
- Spanish DVD Cinema
- City Festivals
- Bowling
- Amusement Parks
- And Many Others

Every *Saturday* students will attend a chaperoned full day excursion to areas of interest around Benalmadena. Past excursions have included trips to Granada, Sevilla, Cordoba, and Ronda. When the students are on the excursion all entrance fees are paid for them, and they will be provided a bag lunch from their host family.

### Accommodations - Homestay with a Spanish Family

Accommodation is provided in a homestay that has been carefully selected by the lodging coordinator in Benalmadena. Each student shares a room with another student of similar age, but of different nationality. Homestays provide the student with breakfast and dinner daily, and lunch is provided in the dining room at the school. On weekends, all 3 meals are provided by the host family. On the first day, each host family will accompany their students to the school at 9.30. Laundry service is included (one load per week), so that each student is completely taken care of.



Homestays provide students with a truly unique view of the Spanish culture. Not only does it extend their chance to practice Spanish with native speakers, students are generally welcomed to participate in most family activities. This gives each student a cultural perspective that is almost impossible to gain anywhere else.

### Included in the Program

- Spanish Lessons for the Beginner or Intermediate Levels
- 15 Hours of Group Spanish Lessons per Week
- Small Groups (8-10 students per class)
- Placement Test on Arrival.
- Homestay Accommodation in a Double Room.
- Organized Afternoon & Evening Activities
- Full Day Saturday Excursions to Local Points of Interest
- 3 Meals Daily
- Textbooks & Teaching Materials
- Certificate of Attendance
- Arrival & Departure Transfers From Malaga Airport
- NRCSA Emergency Insurance (for program study dates in country:)
  - Accident insurance up to \$10,000
  - Emergency medical evacuation up to \$25,000
  - Emergency reunion up to \$5,000
  - Repatriation up to \$7,500
  - Life insurance up to \$5,000
  - 24 Hour emergency worldwide multi-lingual telephone assistance.

### 2009 Start Dates

- Spring Start Dates: March 22 to 29, 2009 (1 or 2 weeks)
- Summer Start Dates: June 15, 29; July 13, 27; August 10, 2009 (2 to 6 weeks)

### 2009 Program Fees

- 1 week: \$850
- 2 weeks: \$ 1,585
- 3 weeks: \$ 2,200
- 4 weeks: \$ 2,720
- 5 weeks: \$ 3,680
- 6 weeks: \$ 4,420

### Benalmadena, Spain - City Info

Benalmadena is a small town with approximately 30,000 inhabitants, located on the Costa del Sol which lies south of the Iberian Peninsula and stretches along the Mediterranean coastline. It sits on a hill at the foot of the Mijas mountain range in the Malaga province. Originally, a sleepy Andalusian fishing village with beautiful white washed houses, Benalmadena has developed into a small but lively town which retains its old charm and character.

The choice of a language course in Benalmadena offers two advantages: the first is that the town is small enough to provide a peaceful and secure environment, while large enough to offer good shops, restaurants, an open-air cinema, etc.; the second is the town's cultural richness and its close proximity to other fascinating cities. Those really worth visiting include Granada, with its Alhambra, surely one of the great wonders of the world, dated 1238, Cordoba, the center of Andalusian culture, and Sevilla, with its monumental cathedrals and churches.

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### Arrival Date:

Students can arrive any time on the arrival day listed on their invoice - this day is usually the Sunday before the first day of class. If you will need to arrive earlier, please advise your program coordinator as early as possible. Additional nights of lodging and insurance, if any, will be at an additional cost.

More information about the arrival day, arrival transfer procedure, etc will be sent prior to departure.

### Departure Date:

Lodging typically ends the Saturday after the last day of class. If you will need to depart later, please advise as early as possible. Additional nights will be at an additional cost.

### Travel Documents:

- Valid Passport
- A minor (under 18 years old) traveling alone must carry notarized permission signed by both parents. In the event of death, divorce or non-marital status, substantiating and notarized documentation must be carried. (i.e. Death Certificate, divorce decree, legal guardianship, etc.), with the legal guardian signing the notarized permission.

### Airline Ticket:

Two resources for discounted student air tickets are:

- Exito Travel:  800-655-4053
- Student Travel Association:  800-781-4040

### Orientation - First day of Class:

On Monday morning, the first day of classes, students will all attend an orientation session. At the orientation, students will take a tour of the campus and learn more about the resources of the NRCSA Center and city, go over schedules and procedures, meet all the staff, take language placement exam to determine class placement, and do activities to help build a sense of community within the student body and help students to get to know each other. Since the first week in a foreign country is always the biggest adjustment, it is best that all students arrive in the foreign country in time to be able to attend the orientation and first day of classes - late arrivals are not recommended.

### Curfew:

- 13 to 15 years old students: Full supervision. Participants will NOT be allowed to go out in the evening except when an evening activity is organized by the school and coordinators.
- 16 to 17 years old students: Participants are allowed out alone in the evening. Parents should agree with the school curfew by signing our authorization form and send it to us before the student's arrival to Spain.

Students must respect their curfew, additional information to follow before departure.

### Parental Permission:

This form must be carried with the student as part of his/her traveling papers. BOTH PARENTS MUST SIGN. If through death, divorce or non-marital status there is only one parent, a substantiating document must be carried (i.e. Death Certificate, legal guardianship, or divorce papers).

### Pocket Money:

Students should bring with them (via travelers checks or ATM card for bank withdrawals) an allowance for personal expenses, local transportation, shopping and other miscellaneous expenses. The teen programs include 3 meals per day. This means additional money for food specifically is not needed, unless students want to buy snacks, bottled water while on an excursion, etc. Parents are free to give their children any amount of money they consider appropriate, as a guideline, \$100-150 USD per week is recommended and typically more than enough to cover the average students needs.

### Meals:

Meals are served in the homestay or cafeteria. Vegetarian options are always available, but please let us know in advance if you will require a special diet, have food allergies, etc.

### Visitors and Telephone Calls:

Overnight visitors in student lodging is not allowed. If parents, friends, etc will be visiting, please contact your program advisor for help with alternative lodging for them. Students may receive telephone calls in their lodging at reasonable hours, unless there is an emergency in which case students can be contacted at any time. Phone calls can be received, also, for students at the school. Parents should keep in mind that the teen programs have very active schedules, and you may not be able to reach your teen at all times. It is better to set up occasional "phone dates" and to rely on more frequent communication by email - which is always available to students at the Center or at local internet cafes.

### Roommates:

Most of our programs give you the opportunity to have a roommate close to your age, and typically they are of another nationality. We recommend that two or more friends attending the program together opt for separate homestays, even if in homes close to each other, to allow for the unique exchange opportunity of having a roommate of another nationality, and also to encourage speaking the local language while in your homestay. Two or more friends can request lodging together, if they wish.

### Linens and Laundry:


Bed linens and towels are provided, but you may want to consider bringing a beach/pool towel. In some countries, bath towels are very small and students may prefer to bring one of their own. Laundry facilities will be provided by your host family or near the student residence.

### What to bring / pack:

We recommend that students do not bring large or heavy luggage that they cannot comfortably carry themselves. Also, students should leave some space for souvenirs and presents - very few students don't go home with more than they came with!

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# PREREGISTRATION FORM – TEENSABROAD PROGRAMS

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2. Enclose a non-refundable deposit/registration fee of \$200 per person, per program, payable to NRCSA (\$50 registration fee & \$150 program deposit applied towards the program costs).
3. Register early. Add \$50 per person late enrollment fee if paying in full within 40 days of departure.
4. Credit Cards may be used for deposits (see "H" below). NRCSA street address for overnight deliveries is 207 East Buffalo Street, Suite 610, Milwaukee, WI 53202 USA. You are welcome to photocopy this form. Please send separate form for each school if taking multiple programs.

**A. Name(s)** \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_  
Please print  
 \_\_\_\_\_ High School \_\_\_\_\_ Yr In Sch \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel. Home: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street address (not P.O. Box) where someone can sign for documents sent Tel. Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

In Emergency, notify: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name, Address, Phone)

**B. BACKGROUND:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Describe your background in the course you're taking abroad. Check your ability level:  Beginner  Post Beginner  
 Intermediate  Advanced

**C. LODGING:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Schools will try (cannot guarantee) to meet them. Special Diet (may be available) at additional cost.

**D. GOALS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E. INSURANCE:** Includes prepaid study dates. To extend coverage up to 30 days before/after study dates, add \$5/day or \$19/week and advise dates.

**PREFER:**  Homestay Involvement  Freedom to Come/Go  
**ARE YOU?**  Quiet  Outgoing  Frequent Traveler  
**OBJECTIVES:**  Enrichment  Academic Credit  
**HOBBIES:**  Reading  Music  Cooking  Sports

<b>F. PROGRAM INFORMATION</b>	School/Center
Program Name (use title from Dates & Fees)	City/Country
Date: Start Program	Date: Start Lodging (most start day before)
No. of hours day/week	No. of weeks attending
Disabilities/Allergies/Health Problems	2nd Choice Program
How did you learn about NRCSA?	Social Security Number
Options (see program for choices)	

**INSURANCE INCLUDED for PRE-PAID STUDY DATES**

**ACCIDENT / MEDICAL INSURANCE UP TO \$10,000**

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL EVACUATION UP TO \$25,000**

**EMERGENCY REUNION UP TO \$5,000**

**REPATRIATION UP TO \$7,500**

**LIFE INSURANCE \$5,000**

**24 HOUR EMERGENCY WORLDWIDE-  
MULTI-LINGUAL TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE**

**H. CREDIT CARDS:**

For program deposit only (*not final payment*):  
 Amount To Charge: \$200.00 CVV Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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Card Number (13 or more numbers) Exp Date

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SIGNATURE (as on card) PRINT name (as on card)

**CHANGE FEES** of at least \$50 apply for each change you make. Some "changes" may result in cancellation fees.

**CANCELLATIONS** are effective the day received in writing by TeensAbroad in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA. All Payments, less \$200 per program plus any fees assessed by the local institution, are refundable up to 60 days prior to departure. For cancellations within 60 days of departure, \$350 per person is non refundable; within 60 days of departure, less 50% of program cost or \$400 per person (whichever is greater); within 14 days of departure, 100% of program cost is non refundable. Some cancellations may incur additional fees. Airline cancellation penalties, if any, are in addition to those outlined above. Cancellation penalties are per person, per program. Medical, baggage (above that included) and cancellation insurance is strongly recommended. Attach a note if you have a medical condition or Rx which the school should know about.

Full Terms and Conditions are available on-line at: <http://teensabroad.com/register/terms.html>.

Please, sign below that you have read and agree with the terms and conditions.

Guardian 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Guardian 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Student: \_\_\_\_\_