

The Porvenir Times

International College of Seville Newsletter, February 2019
SPECIAL SPRING EDITION



Dressing Flamenco-style at Fall semester Farewell party.

IN OUR SPRING ISSUE:

TRIPS & CULTURAL VISITS

See the different guided tours you will take during your semester in Seville, Spain and abroad.

INTERNSHIPS & SERVICE LEARNING

Take a look at the different possibilities the ICS offers for Internships and Service Learning during your semester abroad.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Read about our "Sevillanas" & cooking classes as well as playing soccer on federated teams.

UPCOMING NEWS

Learn all about the Holy Week and April Fair celebrations.

STUDENT CORNER

If you are interested in writing a Student Blog for the ICS Newsletter, please apply in the Main Office .

To view all of our student blogs visit: ics-seville.org/blogs



All tours will be guided by ICS Professors and staff.

SPRING CULTURAL VISITS



MARÍA LUISA PARK

In 1893 María Luisa, the Duchess of Montpensier, donated part of her private gardens to the city of Seville for use as a public park. With the Ibero-American World Fair in 1929 and the construction of The Plaza de España and Plaza de América the park became one of Seville's most important tourist references.

ANCIENT ROMAN CITY OF ITÁLICA

The city of Itálica, located in the outskirts of Seville, was the birthplace of the Roman emperors Trajan and Hadrian. Founded in 206 BC, it was one of the earliest Roman settlements in Spain. There are remarkable mosaics, an impressive amphitheater and archeological remains that give more than a glimpse of life during the Roman Empire.

THE ALCÁZAR PALACE

The Alcázar was built by Castilian Christians on the site of a Muslim residential fortress. It is a preeminent example of Mudéjar architecture in the Iberian Peninsula and is universally renowned as one of the most beautiful. It is also the oldest royal palace still in use in Europe.

THE GOTHIC CATHEDRAL

After its completion in the early 16th Century, the Seville Cathedral became the largest Gothic church in the world. Built on the site of the former Muslim Great Mosque, it houses most impressive works of sacred art and magnificent architectural elements.

THE FINE ARTS MUSEUM

Considered the most important art museum of Spain after El Prado, this beautiful 16th Century former convent houses Spanish visual arts from the medieval period to the early 20th Century, including a choice selection of works by artists from the Golden Age of Sevillian painting during the 17th Century.

VISITING SPAIN & MOROCCO



Granada



Córdoba



Granada



Morocco

RONDA

Perched high in the mountains and surrounded by river valleys, it is a place that takes your breath away. We will see the 18th c. "New Bridge" and the majestic bullring, seat of modern-day bullfighting.

GRANADA

An overnight trip in which we will visit the magnificent Arabian palace of La Alhambra, as well as a number of monuments located in this beautiful city at the foot of the Sierra Nevada.

CÓRDOBA

A day spent visiting the Ancient Muslim Mosque, the medieval Jewish quarters, and the summer palace of the Catholic Sovereigns in one of the most charming towns of Spain.

MOROCCO

Three days and two nights touring the towns of Tangiers, Tetuan and Chefchaouen. We will experience an authentic Moroccan Fantasy dinner and ride camels on the coast of Cape Spartel on camels.

Extracurricular Activities

LEARN ALL ABOUT SPANISH CULTURE!



FLAMENCO DANCE LESSONS

Learn how to dance "Sevillanas", a style of Flamenco that is the most typical dance of Seville and the best known folk dance from Spain.

SPANISH COOKING CLASSES

In a festive atmosphere you will learn how to make two of Spain's best known and most loved dishes: "Paella" and "Tortilla Española", or the Potato Omelette.

"INTERCAMBIOS"

Sign up in the ICS Main Office to take part of this program of linguistic exchange. You will be assigned a Spaniard so you both can meet and practice Spanish and English. The ICS often organizes get-togethers for this.

SEASONAL PARTIES

This semester, celebrate with us Valentine's, Holy Week and April Fair! We can assure you it will be great fun and celebrations to remember!

FEDERATED SOCCER

Train two days weekly on federated teams with state-of-the-art facilities, and with coaches and trainers who are recognized professionals in their field.

For those interested in soccer, please note that this is the only extracurricular activity with a monthly fee. Inquire in the Main Office for additional information.

SERVICE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES



The International College of Seville recognizes the interest many students have in reaching out to the wider community by participating in social service. For this reason our College has established agreements with a number of Non-Governmental Organizations in Seville. During your semester you may work with the local community in one of the following manners:

1) TEACHING ENGLISH TO CHILDREN IN AN UNDERPRIVILEGED NEIGHBORHOOD.

2) WORKING IN A CHILDREN'S WARD IN A LOCAL HOSPITAL.

3) HELPING AT LOCAL SENIOR CENTERS.

You will be given detailed information as to what each organization expects of its volunteers, and will be given a weekly schedule. At the end of the semester you will receive a Certificate of Compliance and you may also receive official credit.



Internships

Non-remunerated positions in different businesses.



Positions Available:

- 1) Bologna Abogados SLP Law Firm
- 2) We Love Spain Student Travel Agency
- 3) ESL Teaching Assistant
- 4) ICS Student Blogger, Vlogger, Twitter, FB Photographer Social Media Managers
- 5) Coach Assistant at Eleven Stars Soccer





Holy Week celebration at the ICS

DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THIS SEMESTER'S FESTIVITIES?



Semana Santa

APRIL 14 - 21, 2019

La Feria de Abril

MAY 4 - 11, 2019



Semana Santa / Holy Week

Holy Week, or *Semana Santa*, is composed of eight days of processions beginning with Palm Sunday and going through Easter Sunday. During this whole week the city of Seville transforms itself into a living scenario, where religious fervor, passion and an explosion of the senses take over the streets. In essence, it revolves around the marching in processions of penitents and Brotherhoods of the church, or *cofradías*, followed by musical bands and *pasos*, elaborate floats of beautifully hand-carved images of the Virgin, of Christ or of biblical scenes. The processions leave churches all over town from early afternoon onward. They move through the city and return to their church hours later.

On Holy Monday, April 15, the ICS will hold its yearly reception. Students, staff and faculty, family, friends and neighbors are all invited to this Open House which begins at 1 pm and ends at approximately 5 pm. It is a day to remember!

Every Spring, the city of Seville throws a week-long party and close to a million people show up. The April Fair or *Feria de Abril*, began as a cattle trading fair in the mid 19th Century and over the years has evolved into a Spanish spectacle of flamenco, bullfighting and fun. It is a happy place to gather with family and friends where you can laugh, sing and dance the night away to upbeat, foot-stomping Flamenco music. At the Fair most women wear colorful Gypsy-inspired Flamenco dresses with flowers in their hair.

At the ICS we have our own Feria party where our students can practice the "Sevillanas" dance they have learned during the semester. As always there is lots of food, drink, music and fun! Our party will be on Tuesday, April 30.



April Fair celebration at the ICS

SPRING AT THE ICS

Student arrival

We will welcome students at the ICS on Wednesday, January 30 for the Fall semester.

See you then!!



Welcome Week

Get ready, Fall students, for a fun-filled week of activities that will not only introduce you to your new city and classmates, but will make you feel right at home!



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