



The Language Immersion Program

Designed for those students who wish to focus solely on learning the Spanish language, this program includes morning **one-to-one language instruction** five days per week for five, seven or eight hours each day with a qualified instructor. In the afternoon, students can participate in optional **cultural, social and tourist activities**.

INEPAS offers its students ten different study levels, ranging from Beginner through Intermediate to Advanced. To join the Beginner Level, no previous knowledge of the Spanish language is needed. For the Intermediate and Advanced Levels, an assessment exam (oral and written) is taken by each student in order to establish its starting level. Teaching time is divided into grammar, vocabulary, various language exercises, conversation and writing. Once the student has completed its course, he or she takes a written and oral exam to obtain an overall level. Each student is also given an official certificate from our school.

At INEPAS, the students and teachers get to know one another quickly, creating an intimate family-like atmosphere which helps our students learn and study to their maximum. In order for the student to put into practice what they have learnt in their classes and to experience domestic life in Guatemala, we recommend that they live with one of our local home-stay families. The student is given three meals a day and a private room.

However if students prefer, we can advise them on a range of alternatives all within walking distance of the school, including renting one of our fully furnished apartments or staying in hostels or hotels.

Course Options, Timetables and Prices - Language Immersion Program

Prices here are quoted per week in the local currency (quetzal). Prices in US dollars are given for information and are subject to the exchange rate variation. (Rate used: 7.7 Q/\$)

Morning	Afternoon	Price (2019)
<u>Course One</u> Five hours of classes a day (25 hours per week) Timetable: 8am - 1pm	Optional sightseeing and socio-cultural activities	Q.1150 (\$149)
<u>Course Two</u> Seven hours of classes a day (35 hours per week) Timetable: 8am - 12pm	Continuation of classes: 3pm-6pm	Q.1400 (\$182)
<u>Course Three</u> Eight hours of classes a day (40 hours per week) Timetable: 8am - 1pm	Continuation of classes: 3pm-6pm	Q.1560 (\$203)



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If you would like to reserve a place at the school, please fill out our enrollment form online at www.inepas.org. If you have any queries, you can contact us at: info@inepas.org. We are happy to answer your questions.

The Service Learning Program

The Service Learning Program comprises classroom instruction through one-to-one language training five days per week for five hours per day, with a professionally certified teacher and three or four hours of volunteer work per afternoon in one of our social programs. Working directly with communities increases one's desire to learn the Spanish language and the classroom time allows participants to be more effective in their social work.

The Two-Week Training Period

Before Service Learning students begin their voluntary work in the rural community, a **two-week training period** provides them with a thorough understanding of what they are expected to do, as well as giving an essential insight into the complex range of political, social and economic challenges that communities face in rural Guatemala.

Sample Timetable of a Service Learning Student

Note: The Service Learning Program is only available from February to November.

Training Week One		Price (2019)
Morning	Afternoon	
<u>Spanish Classes</u> One-to-one tuition 5 hours per day 8:00am - 1:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of INEPAS and its functions; • Visits to places of cultural interest in and around Quetzaltenango; • Films or documentaries of political, socio-economic and cultural interest; • Lectures and conferences on the history, culture and politics of Guatemala. 	Q.1550 (\$201)
Training Week Two		Price (2019)
Morning	Afternoon	
<u>Spanish Classes</u> One-to-one tuition 5 hours per day 8:00am - 1:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informative one-to-one talks about rural communities in Guatemala with a focus on the community that the student will work in; • What is expected of the student in its voluntary work; • Presentation of the student to the community. 	Q.1550 (\$201)
Subsequent Weeks		Price (2019)
Morning	Afternoon	
<u>Spanish Classes</u> One-to-one tuition 4/5 hours per day 8:00am - 12:00/1:00pm	Voluntary Work	Q.1150 (\$149)



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Requirements of The Service Learning Program:

- An **intermediate level** of Spanish.
- **Professional experience or current student status**, preferably in social work, medicine, psychology or teaching.
- **A four-week commitment** to study in the school and work in the community. However, for both the volunteer and the community to get the most out of a placement, we recommend a longer period of time.
- **A serious approach to the work undertaken.** Volunteers need to respect the time-tables and rules of their placement and have a professional attitude.

More details are available on our website at www.inepas.org where you can also fill out an online enrollment form and contact us with any queries. If you would like to speak to previous volunteers, please see the [Contacts](#) page on our website.

Yours Sincerely,

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