

SPANISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM

FOR FACULTY & STAFF FROM

JESUIT COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES





SUMMER 2020







SPANISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM AT IBERO PUEBLA

With the intention of strengthening ties between Jesuit institutions, the Ibero Puebla, through its International Academic Affairs office, offers non-tuition Spanish Language Program for faculty and staff from Jesuit colleges & universities. During the two-week program, participants will take Spanish classes from 9am to 1pm with the possibility to offer seminar/workshop or explore collaboration with peers in the afternoons.

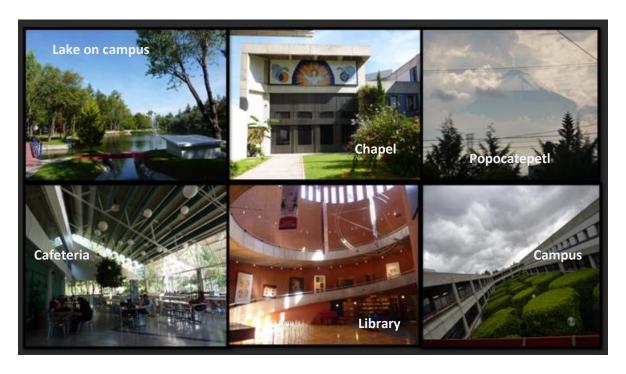


The Intercultural Language Center is in charge of the course. The Spanish Program as Non-Native Language has instructors for all levels with interesting activities during classes. The program coordinator said: "The Spanish program at Ibero Puebla allows both professors and participants to meet with language history, discuss about what makes us different and similar, develop language skills from beginner to advanced level in order to create an intercultural dialogue about common topics as part of Jesuit higher education system but also as neighboring countries and as human beings".

ABOUT IBERO PUEBLA

Ibero Puebla is one of the universities in Mexico with the greatest tradition and with experience in welcoming international groups. Due to our Jesuit identity, we strive to educate highly capable individuals with a deep human sensitivity, who will aid in the construction of a fairer more humanly sympathetic society.

Ibero Puebla offers a small faculty to student ratio, individual attention, a comprehensive orientation program, and activities. The Puebla campus has strong <u>professional degree programs</u>. Students have access to the university's modern resources, including library, extensive laboratories, sports facilities, computer service, and residence hall. The campus is located only 15 minutes away from downtown. While enrolled, international students enjoy the privileges accorded to local students at Ibero Puebla, and are encouraged to participate in local university activities, student clubs, and organizations.



A beautiful campus with all the amenities situated beneath the famous volcano Popocatepelt

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Ibero Puebla

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<u>Continuing Education</u> <u>Intercultural Language Center</u> <u>Residences Hall "Villa Ibero"</u>

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ABOUT PUEBLA

Puebla is among the most historic cities in Mexico as well as the gateway to the nearby mountains, and beautiful Pacific, Gulf, and Caribbean beaches. Convenient buses connect Puebla to Mexico City, which is a two-hour bus ride away. It has been recognized by UNESCO as a World Heritage

site. The valley where Puebla is located ranks among the most important cultural areas of ancient civilizations. Arts and crafts, including famous and beautiful handmade tiles and pottery, churches and convents, markets and plazas all contribute to make this one of the most culturally creative centers on the continent.





Puebla's historical city center was recognized by UNESCO in 1987 as a "World Cultural Heritage".

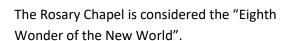
Puebla is internationally recognized for its tasty and varied cuisine.



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Talavera pottery, a specialty of Puebla, and has been awarded a Designation of Origin (DO) classification.





Videos

<u>Puebla</u>

Related Puebla Links

Puebla State Government

Tourist Office of Puebla City

Related Mexico Links

US Department of State -

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CIA World Fact Book - Mexico

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SAFETY & SECURITY

With more than five million inhabitants, Puebla stands among the safest States of the country according to the National System of Public Security.

Puebla is one of the safest cities in Mexico and has not been affected by the narcoviolence.

Puebla City Hall

Visit Mexico - Puebla

We recommend taking precautions as when you visit any place, city or country you are not familiar with. Anyone can be a victim of crime at any time in any place. Don't take with you your personal documents as passport or visa if it is not necessary; don't walk alone at night; be aware of your surroundings; talk to local students for advices for night life; etc.

Ask for information to the International Office if you would like to explore the city or small towns nearby in order to choose the right path.

On campus, we do have surveillance 24/7 and the guards will assist in any case needed.

Related Links

NY Times- 36 hours in Puebla, Mexico

A tour of Puebla, Mexico

<u>Puebla is N.13 on the 45 Places to Go suggested</u> by the NY Times

HOUSING



Visitors with their host family

We offer the Ibero's residences hall; it could be single or double occupancy; the hall named <u>Villa Ibero</u> has a cafeteria and kitchen facilities. You can also live at a hotel but we highly recommend you to live with a Mexican family to experience a total immersion. As soon as we receive your application, we will process the request for a room at the residences, hotel or placement in a family.

DAILY COSTS

These are approximate costs	USD
Accommodation with Mexican Family (includes 3 meals)	\$ 30– 40
Accommodation at Villa Ibero Residence Hall	\$ 30 - 35
Hotel (there are several options nearby)	\$ 80 - \$ 120
Breakfast or Lunch at Ibero Cafeteria	\$5 - \$10
Dinner at a restaurant	\$ 12 - \$ 20
Taxi (ride from Ibero to downtown)	\$ 8.00

TESTIMONIALS

These are experiences of some AJCU colleagues:

Rachelle Kammer, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, FORDHAM UNIVERSITY School of Social Service: "I had a fabulous time being part of the Iberoamericana program in Puebla. I was able to come with my family, which made it even more special. I not only learned Spanish, but I learned a great deal about Mexico, and Mexican culture. I highly recommend this program!

Mark Berlin, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Political Sciences Department, MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY: "I had a terrific time, everybody here is very hospitable and friendly, the professors are very patient. The host family was very generous and warm and very friendly. I learned a lot of Spanish, it was great to be in a new place like Puebla and learn about their history and culture".

Dominique M. Brown, Service and Justice Coordinator, XAVIER UNIVERSITY: "My time in Mexico was absolutely fantastic. The staff at Iberoamericana Puebla took care of all of my needs from the time I arrived on campus to the time I left. The friendly, knowledgeable, and engaging faculty taught me more Spanish in two weeks than thought possible. This program is definitely worth it and I'm thankful I had the opportunity to participate."

Christopher A. Sheil, Graduate Coordinator, Associate Professor of Biology, JOHN CARROLL UNIVERSITY: "My experience at Universidad Iberoamericana was exceptional. The faculty and staff at this institution are friendly, knowledgeable, and extremely helpful. I loved the 2 weeks I spent in Puebla. I am an intermediate-speaker, so this experience really helped me to improve my vocabulary (which is the easiest part of learning a new language for me) and to improve my skills at conjugating verbs (which is the most difficult part of learning for me). I have only great things to say about my time there. Additionally, I really enjoyed meeting faculty and staff from other Jesuit institutions. Through the experience I met some folks with whom I am still in touch, and one Ibero-classmate is now a colleague that has been hosted by my university to give a seminar...I think that this is a very tangible benefit of a program such as this...building ties between institutions".

SESSIONS IN 2020

SUMMER SESSION I: June $1^{st\ d}$ to 12^{th}

Application deadline: April 15th 7

SUMMER SESSION II: June 15th to 26th

Application deadline: May 1st

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HOW TO APPLY

Submit your application. - You need to fill up and send the Spanish Program Application form, along with documents specified on the form. Please request the form and email the materials in accordance with our posted deadlines.

Once you are accepted. – Ibero Puebla Exchanges Office will e-mail you back detailed information in order to prepare your stay with us.

Housing payment. - Once you are in Puebla.

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We look forward to welcome you!

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