




Instituto de Cultura
y Lengua Costarricense

SPAN for International Business

CALENDAR 2010

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITIES – FIRST WEEK
Saturday July 3, 2010 Sunday July 4, 2010		Arrive to Costa Rica. Host Families pick up the students at the airport (SJO) if arrival is before 10:00 p.m. Families will be there with a sign with your name on it.
Monday July 5	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 03:00 p.m.	A member of the host family will accompany you to ICLC facilities. Meet for the introductions to ICLC staff and for Orientation session with ICLC Administration. Break OPI (Oral Proficiency Interview) and writing test. WALKING TOUR and lunch in downtown Grecia. You will take a public bus to get to down town Grecia. The host family will pick you up to show you the way back home.
Tuesday July 6	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 12:15 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.	Spanish class ALAJUELA CITY TOUR in private transportation. Welcome lunch in the typical restaurant Las Delicias del Maíz. Visit to Sr y Sra Ese – Wood Factory / Exporters
Wednesday July 7	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p. m.	Spanish class Optional afternoon activity: Dancing class
Thursday July 8	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 12:30 p. m. to 4:00 p. m. 	Spanish class Site visit to CINDE (Costa Rican Investment promotion Agency). Explanations will be provided by a CINDE representative. Extra cost: taxi transportation to CINDE.
Friday July 9	08:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d.	Spanish class – Exam 5%
Saturday 10 – Sunday 11		OPTIONAL TOURS



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DATE	TIME	ACTIVITIES – SECOND WEEK
Monday July 12	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p. m.	Spanish class / First mission will be assigned (to visit and search information about specific Institution or topic) Optional mini – course available: Grammar doubts
Tuesday July 13	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p. m.	Spanish class Lecture: Globalization and CAFTA in Costa Rica
Wednesday July 14	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p. m.	Spanish class / Written presentation: mission assigned 10% (average grade) Optional cultural lecture: The Costa Rican oxcart
Thursday July 15	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p. m.	Spanish class – Exam 5% Optional site visit to: Sarchí (artisans town) Extra cost: public bus transportation.
Friday July 16	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 	Spanish class / Oral presentation: first mission assigned 15% (average grade) Site visit to Banco Nacional (State bank). Explanations about their services for investors will be provided by a bank representative. Extra cost: taxi transportation to the National Bank.
Saturday 17 – Sunday 18		OPTIONAL TOURS
DATE	TIME	ACTIVITIES – THIRD WEEK
Monday July 19	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p. m.	Spanish class / Second mission will be assigned Optional mini – course available: Grammar doubts
Tuesday July 20	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p. m.	Spanish class Optional afternoon activity: soccer game
Wednesday July 21	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p. m.	Spanish class / Written presentation: mission assigned 10% (average grade) Cultural lecture: How to prepare tamal
Thursday July 22	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p. m.	Spanish class – Exam 5% Optional site visit to: Los Manantiales (swimming pool and waterfalls) Extra cost: taxi transportation and entrance fee.
Friday July 23	08:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d.	Spanish class / Oral presentation: second mission assigned 15% (average grade)
Saturday 24 – Sunday 25		OPTIONAL TOURS


DATE	TIME	ACTIVITIES – FOURTH WEEK
Monday July 26	08:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p. m.	Spanish class / Third mission will be assigned Optional mini – course available: Grammar doubts
Tuesday July 27	08:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p. m.	Spanish class / Written presentation of the mission assigned Optional afternoon activity: Movie at ICLC / El crimen del Padre Amaro
Wednesday July 28	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p. m.	Spanish class / Written presentation: third mission assigned 10% (average grade) Optional cultural lecture: The fruits of Costa Rica
Thursday July 29	08:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d. 12:30 p.m. to 4:00 p. m.	Spanish class – Exam 25% Optional site visit to: National Theatre in San José Extra cost: public bus transportation and entrance fee.
Friday July 30	08:00 a.m. to 12:00 m.d.	Spanish class Oral presentation: third mission assigned 15% (average grade) Certificate of Completion
Saturday 31		Return to USA

Some of the missions:

INS (National insurance company) 

EBAIS clinic - Hospital
(To find out about Costa Rican health system / Social Security system)



INCAE (Business School) 

Cross cultural differences: Interview with owner-foreigner (Hotel Linda Vista / Hotel Vista del Valle / Hotel Orquídeas)

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