



## **HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM**

This program is for teenage students ages 13 to 17.

Sample program\* 3 weeks | 60 hours of Spanish instruction. One week-long trip may be added at the end of the program.

\*Program can be designed according to your dates and times.

### **LEVELS:**

On the first day, each student will be given a language ability test to determine their level. If the school requires a minimum proficiency in Spanish one or two years the students will be placed in the appropriate groups.

- Beginner
- Intermediate
- Upper Intermediate
- Advanced

If Spanish is not a prerequisite prior to coming to Ecuador, students with no previous Spanish instruction will be placed in a beginner class.

Each level of intensive Spanish includes grammar, vocabulary, reading, writing, conversation, listening and comprehension.

## **SAMPLE PROGRAM**

### **READINGS:**

Readings may vary according to students' interests.

Beginners:	Short stories
Intermediate:	South American and Ecuadorian legends
Upper Intermediate:	Spanish and Latin American authors – stories
Advanced:	Latin American literature by various authors

### **SPECIAL ACTIVITIES:**

The Spanish Language Program includes a special activity each week:

**WEEK 1:** During the first week, a special gathering with local students takes place. This gives the students an opportunity to meet new people from different backgrounds and cultures and to make friends to practice and interact in Spanish.

**WEEK 2:** In this activity, students go to the local market and buy ingredients to prepare a typical Ecuadorian dish with the help of their homestay families. The students bring the dish to class, explain how it was prepared and share it with the rest of the students.

**WEEK 3:** Lecture: The topic will be according to the students' interests or community service.

#### **OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES:**

1. AMARU Zoo Biopark
2. Banco Central Museum
3. Paja Toquilla Panama Hat factory
4. Ceramic Studio
5. Salsa Dance Class

#### **OPTIONAL WEEKEND ACTIVITIES:**

1. INGAPIRA INCA RUINS - Includes transportation, guide and entry fee. Host families will provide a packed lunch.
2. CHORRO WATERFALLS and YUNGUILLA
3. CAJAS NATIONAL PARK (1day) or Cajas National Park plus Manglares Churutes (2 days)
4. LOJA - weekend trip
5. AMAZON - weekend trip
6. FAMILY PARTY at the end of the program

#### **OTHER OPTIONS:**

The summer program can include orientation in Quito, which includes hotel stay and visits to the most important tourist sites in Quito.

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