

Spanish SUMMER CAMP

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All high school students who have had at least one year of high school Spanish are welcome.

JUNE 24-29, 2018

ALL OF YOUR FAVORITE CAMP ACTIVITIES ... IN SPANISH!

CAN A WEEK MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN MY SPANISH?

Language teaching experts agree that living a language in an immersion setting is the most effective way to learn. As you carry out your daily activities while speaking Spanish with your counselors and fellow campers, you will gain confidence and lose your fear of expressing yourself. You will feel the satisfaction of getting your Spanish outside the walls of your high school classroom, and into the real world with hands-on activities.

YOUR CAMP STAFF

EIU's Spanish faculty have lived and worked abroad with decades of teaching experience and all camp counselors are fluent in Spanish, from diverse backgrounds and full of energy and creativity.

YOUR TYPICAL DAY AT CAMP

Camp activities are centered on student interests while encouraging an immersion environment. Activities are supervised by EIU faculty, aided by counselors who also live with you in the residence halls. Formal classroom instruction is limited to allow you to use your language skills in real-life situations.

After you eat breakfast (while speaking Spanish!), you might:

- get a lesson on playing Cuban rhythms on the bongo drums
- learn how to make the detailed and meaningful *alfombras* ("rugs") made on the ground with colored saw dust during processions in Central America.
- exercise our culinary skills by making a tortilla from Spain—the ingredient list may surprise you!
- play some soccer with experienced native speakers

Enjoy some free time right before dinner, then after our meal in the evening we could:

- roast marshmallows around a *fogata* (camp fire)
- check out the rock wall at the gym on campus
- enjoy a round of the game *Manzanas con manzanas* (Apples to Apples)
- head to the local coffee shop to do a poetry reading in Spanish
- get a quick taste of another language like French or German with a beginning lesson from one of your multilingual counselors



HOW TO APPLY

Complete the online application at www.eiu.edu/language or contact us at foreignlang@eiu.edu or 217-581-5995. Follow the instructions on the application to send it – and the \$40 non-refundable deposit – to reserve your space in the camp by May 15. Acceptance letters and additional information, including a program schedule, driving directions to campus and a list of what to bring will be sent by June 4. Confirmation of camp attendance, required paperwork and final payment of remaining balance will be due by June 11. (Payment plans are available upon request.)

REGISTRATION

The registration fee of \$395 includes tuition, supervision, program materials, housing, and meals. Students stay in university residence halls and receive cafeteria-style meals served in the campus dining halls. Students will check in at registration on Sunday afternoon and will check out on Friday afternoon. Payment plans are available—please contact camp director for details. Students living in the Mattoon-Charleston area may choose to commute daily for the reduced rate of \$330.

Student Cancellations: Refunds, less the \$40 non-refundable deposit, will be made for cancellations received by June 11. Sorry, no refunds issued after June 11.

Scholarships

We are happy to offer scholarships of \$100-\$250 to excited students who believe they would greatly benefit from EIU Spanish Camp. Financial need is a consideration but not a requirement. See website for details.

CHARLESTON, ILLINOIS

EIU is located in Charleston, a pleasant community of 20,000 residents located in the heart of east-central Illinois. We are a short distance from several major metropolitan areas with a few things that make us pretty unique:

- Two weekly farmers markets
- 15 city parks, including Lake Charleston
- Five minutes from the world's largest Abe Lincoln
- 10 minutes from hiking at Fox Ridge State Park
- 10 minutes from the world's fastest pop machine

