

¡LOCOS POR EL ESPAÑOL!





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Welcome to AIL Madrid

Spain is one of the most exciting countries on the planet. And Madrid is definitely the most exciting city in Spain. And we're pretty sure that nowhere comes close to AIL Madrid for the perfect Spanish language program. Which means you can't really go wrong!

Our intensive courses will have you speaking Spanish at native speed, where your words actually come out faster than your thoughts. We can coach you through the DELE exams, transform you into a global citizen on the international business stage, or help you enroll at a Spanish University so you get to live this exhilarating experience for years. And if that isn't enough, we've created special lifestyle courses so you can combine Spanish with dance, cooking, or art.

You will simply lose yourself (or maybe find yourself) in this unique culture. Madrid is a great seducer. Let it welcome you into its warm embrace! We've created a full immersion experience which combines the hottest Spanish lessons in town with Fun After Class Activities to make every second with AIL a delight.



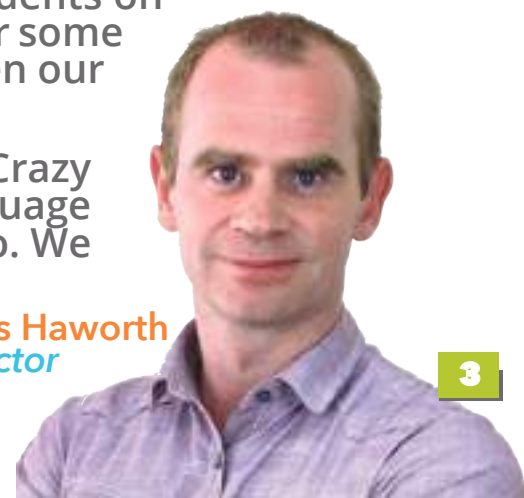
We know that you'll love our teaching team. The prestigious bodies that accredit our programs such as the Instituto Cervantes certainly do. Whether you're a complete beginner learning how to order all those delicious tapas, or an advanced student searching for the holy grail of the subjunctive, our lessons are dynamic, communicative and designed to welcome you into the AIL family from the moment you walk through the door.

We thought it would be a great idea to locate ourselves in the most desirable neighborhood in Madrid, so you can look forward to studying in the barrio de Salamaca, a byword for elegance and exclusivity. We're so close to the Retiro Park we like to think of it as our own personal garden, but no part of this magnificent city is ever far away.

Let us take care of all your accommodation needs. Our host families will introduce you to the delights of Spanish home cooking, and swearing at the TV during the emotional roller coaster of a Spanish football match. Our student residence in Arguelles is a short walk to the heart of the city, the iconic Puerta del Sol. And our shared apartments are a great option if you want to join fellow international students on the voyage of discovery. Finally if you're looking for some time alone to reflect quietly on the joy of it all, then our one bedroom apartments are ideal.

Our logo "Locos por el español" translates as "Crazy about Spanish". And we are! A passion for the language and the culture is at the heart of everything we do. We can't wait to share it with you!

Chris Haworth
Director





OUR SCHOOL

It's hard to describe the feel of a school, and AIL Madrid really is all about feeling. Words like “warm”, “welcoming”, and “exciting” spring to mind. But you'd really have to meet the people who are our heart and our soul; the teachers, the Student Care Team, the accommodation officers, the cleaning staff. They are what make us special. Until you do, here are some of the features that help us deliver excellence week in week out.

- A wide range of courses to fit every need.
- Unrivalled quality: Accredited by Instituto Cervantes and other prestigious organizations.
- Dynamic communication based classes in small groups (max 8, average 6).
- Excellent team of fully qualified, experienced native teachers.
- Complimentary Fun After Class Activities included.

You Come First!

We want you to focus on enjoying the experience of a lifetime, so we have everything in place to make life as easy as possible.

- ✓ Morning and afternoon timetables
- 📞 24 hour emergency telephone
- 📱 Free Spanish mobile rental
- 💬 Multilingual support team

Madrid has something for every season, so our courses start every Monday of the year and are available for all levels from complete beginner to mastery.

The School

If you're going to be learning the most fun language there is in the most exciting city in Europe, you may as well do so in comfort!

- Fantastic central location in Madrid's most desirable neighborhood.
- Fully equipped spacious classrooms.
- Spacious reception area with tourist information.
- Multimedia area with interactive touch screen computers.
- Self-study centre and lightning fast wifi access.
- Air conditioning and central heating throughout.

DISCOVER MADRID

Spain is a land of contrasts. From the misty green of Galicia, to the parched desert lands of Almeria, it is a country of high mountains and endless plains, of deep valleys and rolling hills, each region with its own food and wine, its own rhythms of speech, its own feasts and celebrations and its own unique take on what it is to be Spanish. And Madrid has it all! It's an enchanting microcosm of this fascinating country, and at the same time indisputably itself.

And Madrid has plenty of contrasts of its own! The narrow streets of barrios like La Latina reek of history while, if you head north on the Paseo de la Castellana, it'll take you to that most iconic of modern sporting arenas, the Santiago Bernabeu, home to Real Madrid FC, although plenty of Madrileños prefer Atlético! Ever bohemian, the barrio of Malasaña has become hipster heaven, while adjacent Chueca is the heart of Madrid's proud gay community. And then there's multi-ethnic Lavapiés, or our own endlessly stylish barrio de Salamanca.

The city's gastronomy is itself a virtual tour of Spain with Galician sea food, Asturian cider houses, Basque

fish restaurants, and traditional Castillian roasts all competing for your taste buds. Or try Madrid's very own specialities, like the delicious cocido Madrileño. Then there's that great local custom of giving you a free tapa with every drink!

Some days you'll just want to wander and take it all in but, if you're researching for culture, then the galleries of the Prado, the Reina Sofia and the Thyssen are home to some of the finest collections of art in the world. And then there's the architecture, such as the majestic Plaza Mayor, the Royal Palace and the fountains of Cibeles and Neptuno where fans of Real and Atlético gather in their thousands to celebrate their club's respective victories.

"De Madrid al cielo" goes the local saying. (Literally "From Madrid to Heaven"... the madrileños' modest way of telling us that their city is the next best thing to heaven.) Once you've breathed in the city's unique atmosphere and felt its relentless energy you'll just have to agree with them!

AND ITS SURROUNDINGS

Being at the heart of Spain has its advantages. You will not believe what there is to see on a daytrip from Madrid.

Toledo

El Greco immortalized this magical city: A UNESCO World heritage site that seems to have been carved out of the very landscape.

70km from Madrid

Segovia

2000 year old Roman aqueduct, a fairy tale castle, and food to die for. Madrileños love to come to Segovia for the best Sunday lunch in Castilla. Another UNESCO World heritage site.

90km from Madrid

Salamanca

This elegant city dominated by Spain's oldest university lives and breathes learning. The Plaza Mayor is one of the finest in Spain.

200km from Madrid

El Escorial

Yet another UNESCO World heritage site. Philip II planned his invasion of England from the stunning 16th century monastery set in a fiercely beautiful landscape at the foot of the Guadarrama mountains.

55km from Madrid

Alcalá de Henares

Can there really be another UNESCO World Heritage site within easy reach of Madrid? This medieval beauty, birthplace to the father of the novel, Miguel de Cervantes, makes for an exhilarating visit.

30km from Madrid

Sierra de Guadarrama

Few people realize that Madrid is surrounded by stunning countryside. The Guadarrama mountains dominate the landscape to the north. High enough to contain a ski station, this area is a region of lakes, and streams with woods full of wild boar and deer. Look out for black vultures and golden eagles circling overhead as you enjoy some of the best hiking in Europe.

70km from Madrid



TOLEDO SKYLINE

OUR COURSES

Dynamic! Communicative! Interactive!

We have a wide range of courses but, whichever one you choose, it will bring your Spanish to life. So get ready to unleash yourself on this magnificent city, and then on to the wider Spanish world!

- **Start date:** Every Monday of the year (please consult for total beginner dates)
- **Class time:** 50 minutes
- **Course Duration:** 1-52 weeks
- **Maximum number of students per group:** 8 (average 6)
- **Levels:** Beginners to Mastery (all 6 levels of the European Common Framework)
- **Schedule:** Morning, afternoon, weekends, and evenings

The Teachers

It's not easy to become an AIL Madrid teacher. To begin with you need to be a fun loving, energetic, caring, and warm person with a huge love of life. Then you need to be a fully qualified career teacher with a passion for the language and the ability to transmit that passion in every lesson. So, we have teachers who are DELE examiners, specialists in business, in art, and in culture. They come from all corners of Spain and in all shapes and sizes. What they have in common is that they are all remarkable people who are going to make your AIL Madrid experience something that you will never forget.

Methodology

At AIL Madrid we put you at the heart of the learning process. We keep class sizes small because we need you to participate as much as possible in every lesson. We understand that learning a language is a skill, like dancing or singing. Our teachers use role play, debates, and a wide range of audio-visual material to bring your Spanish to life. They will correct your grammar but they will also help you with your pronunciation, working on how you shape the sounds, your intonation, rhythm of speech, and even your body language. This is not about filling in gaps or learning by rote. This is the real deal! Spanish for the 21st century! And as you learn to inhabit the language, you will learn to inhabit the culture too. What we are offering is a full Spanish immersion experience. You deserve nothing less!



GENERAL COURSES

We offer a range of general Spanish options to take you on the journey of a lifetime!

INTENSIVE COURSE 20 group classes per week making it the Spanish immersion experience. It combines systematic study with Fun After Class activities and free time to explore your new world.

TOTAL IMMERSION COURSE 30 group lessons per week for students wanting to take their Spanish beyond the beyond, into a whole new dimension.

SEMI-INTENSIVE COURSE 10 group classes per week to allow busy students to combine their stay with work or other activities.

PREMIUM COURSE 20 group classes per week combined with 5 individual lessons for high energy students looking to take their Spanish into the stratosphere, and work on areas of special interest along the way.

By the end of the course you will:

- Be in love with your teachers
- Be convinced that Madrid is the greatest place on Earth
- Have acquired a whole new side to your personality
- Be dreaming in Spanish

LONG TERM COURSE As above, but aimed at those lucky people planning their immediate future in Spain for work or study. It has the same structure as the intensive program but with a minimum duration of 8 weeks. To make the transition to life in Spain as smooth as possible, it includes CV revision and advice, assistance with job applications, residency papers, discounted prices and much more...

INDIVIDUAL CLASSES A totally personalized experience in which you choose the timetable, setting, and content of your course. Optimum progress with maximum personal convenience!

SKYPE CLASSES If you are not in Madrid but pining for a Spanish experience, don't worry, we will bring it all to you! It's a great way to keep up with your Spanish with the best teachers in the business. You choose the content, number of classes and the timetable.

It all makes for an unforgettable experience, and at a competitive price!



“I wouldn't have chosen any other school...”

I've got the best teacher. He genuinely likes teaching and you can tell.

He makes it fun, interactive, he asks us a lot of questions to make us talk more, and I feel like he's genuinely interested in our answers!

He's just a super positive person and I walk away from the classes happy because there's so much energy there. I can't say enough good things about him.

I wouldn't have chosen any other school, quite honestly. I think the intensive course really works because you actually learn a lot in a really short amount of time.

I'm here for two months, but I'm actually considering staying; I haven't made up my mind. Just being here, learning the language and actually using it around Madrid is really motivating and makes me want to get even further!

-Elin, age 25 from Sweden, Intensive Course

SPANISH FOR GROUPS

There are few things more rewarding than sharing our passion for Spanish with groups of young people from schools and universities. We have extensive experience organizing immersion programs, combining quality language learning with all that Madrid has to offer. Your personal Study Tour Manager will help create the perfect program.

- Made to Measure Spanish Course
- Cultural Workshops
- Fun After Class Activities
- Stunning Excursions
- Range of Accommodation Options
- Airport Transfers



PART TIME COURSES

If you have a busy timetable then the general Spanish program will allow you to develop the skills that make living in Madrid even more rewarding. Available for all levels.

EVENING COURSE 4 classes of 45 minutes a week, divided into two 1.5 hour blocks.

WEEKEND COURSE 3 classes a week in one block, either on Friday afternoon, or Saturday morning.

PROFESSIONAL COURSES

There are obvious advantages to perfecting your use of the international business world's second most commonly used language. AIL Madrid has teachers specialized in business Spanish, and with experience working within an international business culture.



Our professional programs are ideal for anyone looking to open doors in the global workplace whether they are currently employed, recent graduates, or simply preparing for a bright future.

BUSINESS SPANISH A fully individual bespoke program tailored to your specific needs. The classes can take place here at AIL Madrid or at your home or workplace. It combines perfectly with a general Spanish course.

SPANISH AND INTERNSHIP The perfect pathway to becoming a global citizen. This exciting program gives the opportunity to combine learning Spanish with a work placement in a field of your choice. It's a full immersion in Spanish and the world of work and an ideal way to develop crucial skills and enhance that all important CV.

TEACHER TRAINING COURSE We simply love this opportunity to work with Spanish teachers and help them develop new skills for the classroom and exchange ideas with fellow professionals. Each summer we run a 1 week program, updated every year to offer something fresh, for people who love the profession as much as we do.

EXAM AND UNIVERSITY

ALL Madrid is all about the present, about seizing the moment and savoring the experience. But we are also here to help you prepare for a bright future. Our exam courses are designed to optimize your performance and help you reach your full potential in the global community.

DELE EXAM Intensive and part-time programs delivered by current DELE examiners focusing on the specific requirements of the exam at all levels (A1 to C2). Learn specific exam techniques, do past exam questions, and get insider style tips from our in-house pros.

BUSINESS / TOURISM EXAM PREPARATION COURSE Tailor made course with 5, 10, 15, or 20 individual business classes per week to provide the ideal preparation for the prestigious Madrid Chamber of Commerce Business Exam.

SPANISH UNIVERSITY PATHWAY PROGRAM

We have a range of options to meet your specific profile and guide you through the entire process of gaining a place at a Spanish university, from administrative procedures to Spanish language and entrance exam preparation. Your personal advisor will help you every step of the way.

SPANISH GCSE, AS, A-LEVEL, SCOTTISH HIGHER REVISION COURSE We offer an intensive 1 or 2 week program with 20 group classes per week that can be complemented by adding 5 or 10 individual lessons to focus on a specific literary text, or on weak points. This is aimed at UK students looking for a competitive edge in these crucial exams.

PRÉPA AND BAC For French students who need to maximize their exam performance we offer specific preparation courses that include text analysis and simulations of the *colle*. You can personalize the program to prepare for a specific *Prépa concours* by adding 5 or 10 individual classes to your weekly intensive of 20 group lessons.



98%

of students tell us they
would like to study with
us again!



LIFESTYLE COURSES





Spanish isn't just a language. It's a state of mind. Our Lifestyle Courses are the perfect way in.

SPANISH AND DANCE

Move to the rhythms of a whole new culture! We combine 20 Spanish lessons with 5 dance classes a week for all levels. It doesn't matter if you're looking for flamenco, salsa, tango, or sevillanas, we'll soon have you dancing to a brand new beat!

SPANISH AND ART

Madrid is an art mecca and for art lovers this is the perfect opportunity to combine Spanish with one of the finest artistic cultures on the planet. We combine 20 Spanish classes (painting, drawing, ceramics) in one of Madrid's top art schools to create a uniquely enriching experience.

SPANISH AND COOKING

There are few better ways into Spain's culture than through its food and wine. The program combines 20 Spanish lessons with a full gastronomic experience, which includes market visits, practical sessions on creating some iconic dishes, and (of course) tasting the end product!

CLUB 50+

A whole new social experience with international students of your age group who share your love of Spain and its culture. You can choose a 1 or 2 week course with 20 lessons per week and activities every afternoon to help you explore the wonders of Madrid with a whole host of new friends.

GAP YEAR

We plan the program that is just right for you with various options for classes and a whole range of activities to help you achieve your personal goals. These include travel, dance, art, professional experience, and official qualifications for general or business Spanish.

MULTI LOCATION

Once you get bitten by the Spanish bug, you'll want to see as much of this fascinating country as possible. Let us take you on an unforgettable journey of discovery. No country in Europe has as many fantastic cities as Spain and each one is unique. Barcelona, Seville, Cadiz, Málaga, Salamanca... you choose. We'll take care of the rest and make sure you get the best quality Spanish lessons at one of our excellent partner schools.

FUN AFTER CLASS ACTIVITIES

*Tapas and drinks
evenings*

Flamenco shows

Madrid guided tours

Cooking classes

Evenings out

*Pronunciation
workshops*

**Language exchange
meetings with
native speakers**

*Visits to Alcalá de
Henares*

Colloquial Spanish

Nonverbal language

Prado, Reina Sofía

and

Thyssen-Bornemisza

Museums

Proverbs workshops

Spanish customs

Chocolate con churros

*Arabic culture in
Spain*

Bike ride


Madrid of the

Bourbons

Noches de

intercambio





AIL Madrid is all about the total experience. The Fun After Class Activities will have you laughing, eating, and drinking your way to real insight into the Spanish lifestyle and culture.

The program consists of 5 weekly Fun After Class Activities (10 teaching hours total), running daily from Monday to Friday.

- Over 80 tutor-led activities
- +10 extra teaching hours of learning per week!
- Dynamic and interactive
- Perfect opportunity to bring your Spanish to life!
- Great way to make new friends



ACCOMMODATION

We want you to focus on your Spanish as you fall hopelessly in love with Madrid. We offer a wide range of quality, reasonably priced accommodation so that you can concentrate on what's important: making rapid progress with the language and discovering this wonderful city and its culture.

HOST FAMILY What better way to get to grips with the charms and idiosyncrasies of Spanish culture than to stay with one of our charming and idiosyncratic host families? Our homestays are all Spanish natives, and can be couples (with or without children), or people living alone, and of working age or retired. What they share is the warm welcome they give to all our students.

STUDENT FLAT SHARE Share your Spanish experience with other international students and enjoy the freedom of self catering accommodation in one of our fully furnished 4-6 bedroom apartments with kitchen, shared living room, and one or two bathrooms. This is a great option for students who really want to integrate into this most welcoming of cities.



All our accommodation options include free WiFi and a choice of single or double rooms.

FLAT SHARE FOR OVER 30s Enjoy the independence that comes from sharing with local people in comfortable residential flats.

ONE BEDROOM APARTMENT Centrally located near the Royal Palace with a living room and a fully equipped kitchen, these are an ideal option for the independently minded who either wish to live alone, or share with a friend or partner.

STUDENT RESIDENCE A fun option if you're looking to meet international and Spanish students. And you get all your meals cooked, room cleaned, and clothes washed and ironed! Central location.

HOTEL OR HOSTEL We work with a number of partners to ensure quality accommodation within easy reach of the school for every budget.

MEET AIL MÁLAGA

Meet AIL Málaga, our sun-soaked younger sister! AIL Málaga was born in 2015, on the sunny Mediterranean seaside in one of Spain's most popular vacation destinations.

TRY OUR MULTI LOCATION PROGRAM: start your course on the exuberant, colorful streets of Madrid, and then hop on the train to Málaga to relax and practice your Spanish on the beach!

Based on the AIL Madrid ethos, AIL Málaga offers some of our most popular Spanish courses and programs, beachside!

Why we love Málaga:

- Incredible nightlife
- Endless beaches
- Delicious Mediterranean cuisine
- Picasso's hometown!
- Fantastic international social scene
- The best Spanish classes and programs on the market



¡Hasta pronto!



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