

Costa Rica

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A Language and Cultural Immersion Program for Students and Professionals in Gender and Women's Studies.

After five successful years offering specialized programs for social workers and medical professionals, ACCE have designed this program focused on students and professionals in the area of Gender and Women's Studies.

Program Objective

To give students and professionals in Gender and Women's the opportunity to improve their Spanish language skills, enhance their cultural competency, and learn about the Women and Gender profession in Costa Rica.

Program Goals

1. To improve attendees' Spanish skills (levels may range from low beginning through high advanced).
2. To enhance attendees' cultural competency by offering lectures regarding the Latin culture.
3. To give attendees the opportunity to live with host families and to enhance cultural understanding.
4. To provide attendees with information about the Gender and Women's Studies profession in Central and Latin America.
5. To give attendees the opportunity to experience Gender and Women's by scheduling visits with local agencies.

Program Format

This program is scheduled for a two-week period with specific days and times for curriculum related activities. This two-week program will provide a total of 40 hours of language classes and 16 hours of cultural classes and activities. Each class has a maximum of four students and the emphasis is on conversational skills.

First Saturday	Students arrive
First Sunday Evening	Placement test and orientation
Monday – Friday	Spanish classes (20 hours per week)
Tuesdays & Thursdays	Cultural classes and activities (8 hours per week)
Final Friday Evening	Closing celebration
Final Saturday	Departure day

Program Curriculum

Lecture Topics

- (a) Costa Rica: An overview of the country and culture
- (b) Women's Studies in Costa Rica: What, who, how, and where
- (c) Women's Studies in Central and Latin America

Guest Speakers: Speakers will include local gender and women's studies professionals and professors.

Planned Visits: Visits will be made to women's organization located within an hour drive from the school.

2010 Program Dates: **July:** Sunday, July 11 (arrival day) – Saturday, July 24 (departure day)

Program fees for 2010 session:

Program/Host family \$1,150.00 – This option is highly suggested for program attendees.
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Extending the Stay: Register for additional weeks of language classes either before or after this program and receive a 10% discount on extra fees.

Program fee includes the following:

- Shuttle from and to the Airport San Jose International Airport (SJO)
- Accommodations
- Two meals daily (breakfast and dinner) and laundry service.

*** Staying in a villa does not include dinner**

Classes	Cooking and dance classes
Study materials	Language workbook and other cultural materials
Internet Access	Computer lab for the students and Wi - Fi available
Tour of the city	Learn about local attractions and points of interest

Not included in this fee: The cost of airfare and any tour or excursion such as jungle tour, etc.

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and adventure in Costa Rica**

