

Course Information 2018/19

SPANISH IMPROVERS - Term 3

Start Date	2 nd May 2019
Time	6.30pm until 8.00pm
Day of week	Thursday
Number of Weeks	8
Please note classes will not run	during half term w/c 27 th May 2019
Venue	ELY COLLEGE
Course Fee	£ 69.00 Concessionary Fee: £51.00 Fees are payable by cash in person or cheque payable to Ely College
Course Level	Improvers
Additional Course Cost (e.g. visits, materials, books, assessment fee, equipment)	No additional costs
Any skills or qualifications needed for entry to the class	Existing proficiency in communicating basic personal information in Spanish, as a result of past study of the language or, for example, taking regular holidays in Spain.
Materials required for first class	Please bring a notebook and a pen.

Course description – Including aims & objectives

This course will enable you to develop an appreciation of Spanish language and culture, and to communicate in a range of everyday and more complex situations. There will be a greater focus on grammar, pronunciation & syntax; and we will often use authentic texts in Spanish to contextualise the language focus of the lesson.

Learning outcomes:

A broader understanding of how to express yourself to communicate effectively in Spanish, and how to make sense of what others are seeking to communicate.

Teaching and learning methods used:

A variety of activities to develop your comprehension of spoken and written Spanish and to help build your vocabulary and confidence when expressing yourself in different situations – these include: identifying key points; giving your opinion and justifying it. There will also be optional activities to complete between lessons some of which may be online.

How Progress & Success will be recorded:

Each lesson I will use a variety of informal techniques for checking & understanding, without putting you on the spot! I encourage members of the group to support one another and aim to

develop a sense of camaraderie & fun within the group. As the course progresses we will regularly use areas of language previously covered in new contexts. You will be asked to complete an individual learning plan at intervals to monitor progress towards your personal (and the group's collective) goals throughout the course.

Any further next steps

Please make a list of:

- past studies and experience you have of using Spanish,
- your personal motives for learning the language, and
- what you hope to achieve from this course
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We ask all students to complete an enrolment form which asks for details required by the
Education & Skills Funding Agency & the County Council and is a requirement of entry to
the course. We ask for full payment prior to the course beginning. Please note refunds can only be made if a class is cancelled or closed.
Please can you let us know if you have any attendance problems and if you are not able to attend the class (contact details below). We like to know if you have a problem.
We will ask you to complete a course evaluation, giving us your feedback on the course,
tutor & college. You are always welcome to feedback directly to us at any time during your
course to help us improve our services & courses.

Some of our courses are subsidised by the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) and part financed by the 2014-20 European Social Fund (ESF) programme. This funding is managed by Cambridgeshire County Council, Adult Learning and Skills. A short video covering the background of ESF, what it does, how it helps and who benefits is available on the European Union website: <u>http://ec.europa.eu/esf/home.jsp</u>

How we use your data

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/esfa-privacy-notice

Safeguarding

Arrangements have been made to make sure that you are safe at our Centres. If you feel you are not safe for any reason, for example through verbal or physical abuse or you have been discriminated against, please tell your tutor or the Centre Manager, who will investigate to ensure your safety.

Equality and Diversity

We are fully committed to equality of opportunity and welcome enrolments from all adults aged 19+. We positively encourage all learners with any concerns about specific needs which might affect their learning to discuss their requirements with us in confidence. We believe that everyone is entitled to learn in an environment that is free from discriminatory behaviour so that we build a community based on mutual trust and respect. We will do our best to ensure that resources and equipment are accessible to all and make reasonable adjustments to ensure that all learners can access activities.

Cambridgeshire County Council, Adult Learning and Skills service supports a wide range of adult learning opportunities across Cambridgeshire. Search our website <u>www.cambsals.co.uk</u> for more information. We also deliver specific courses for adults with learning difficulties and disabilities. For more information about these specific courses please call 01223 703530

National Careers Service (NCS)

Careers advice is available to all learners. The National Careers Service provides free information and advice on all aspects of learning, skills development and employment. Help is provided in a way that suits you, online, face to face or by telephone. Go to <u>www.cambsals.co.uk</u> and click on 'I need some advice' for more information or call our booking line on 0845 603 1059

