



## News from Seville International Business and Culture Program February 19-25, 2007

Esta semana supone el final del Carnaval y el comienzo de la Cuaresma. Quedan 40 días para la gran fiesta de Sevilla, la Semana Santa. Además en esta semana se conmemora el intento de golpe de estado que amenazó el 23 de febrero de 1981 a la reciente democracia española. En pocas horas se suceden los acontecimientos. El teniente coronel Tejero entra armado en el Congreso de los Diputados gritando "todos al suelo"; los tanques ocupan la ciudad de Valencia bajo las órdenes del General Milans del Bosch; se declara el Estado de Excepción; la joven democracia española está en peligro. Duras negociaciones y el discurso del Rey respaldando la Constitución y la democracia llevan al fracaso golpista. Millones de españoles se manifestaron el día siguiente en las calles para apoyar la libertad conseguida tras años de dictadura franquista.

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## Academic News

### Morocco Trip Meeting

Just a reminder that the mandatory meeting for all students going on the trip is this Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> from 8pm-9pm in the Aula de Grados, Facultad de Filología, in the University of Seville main building. During the meeting, we will go over the trip itinerary and answer questions that you have about the trip.

### UPO Classes and CIEE Final Course Registration Form

The add-drop period has ended and everyone should have their final course selections. You will be receiving an e-mail from Alayna in the coming week notifying you of the time that you should come by the UPO office to sign your Final Course Registration Form. The course registration form will be sent to the CIEE office in Maine who will then notify your universities of the final courses you have chosen for the semester.

### Class Withdrawals

If, after the Add-Drop period, you decide not to continue in a class (for important academic reasons only), you will need to speak with Alayna first before withdrawing from a class. The last day to withdraw from a class is Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. You will also need to provide written approval from your study abroad advisor at home to withdraw from the class. This approval can be sent to Alayna via e-mail. However, you must

personally come to the CIEE office (either on the UPO or University of Sevilla) to fill out and sign the necessary forms. You will receive a "W" (withdrawn) on your CIEE Grade Report. Please keep in mind that your sending school may have its own policies concerning possible "withdrawals" while studying abroad. The Sending School has the final word on approving or not approving a requested withdrawal. If you decide to not complete the requirements of a class after the final withdraw date, you will receive an "F" on your grade report. There are no exceptions to this policy. This policy is the same policy followed by US universities.

### **Writing Center and Language Tutorials**

Are you having difficulty writing in Spanish and expressing your ideas? The CIEE Writing Center is there for you! The Writing Center is located in Aula Cádiz on the first floor of the CIEE Study Center (*Palacio*). The Writing Center is open Monday through Thursday from 9.00 to 17.00 and Friday from 9.00-14.00. CIEE language professors and Spanish students majoring in the Spanish Language at the *University of Sevilla* staff the center. Not sure when to use the *subjuntivo*? CIEE also offers language tutorials if you are struggling with certain areas such as reading, writing, comprehension, and speaking in your Spanish classes. To make an appointment in the Writing Center or to request a language tutorial, send an e-mail to Juli Martínez at [mjimenez@ciee.org](mailto:mjimenez@ciee.org). Be sure to specify in the e-mail what it is that you need help with (i.e. writing on a current political issue, use of the subjunctive, etc.) as well as your availability. Juli will also be in the Writing Center the following days/times: Monday-Thursday 9.00-10.00h and 15.00-18.00h, Fridays 10.00-14.00h. Take advantage of this great opportunity to improve your written and spoken Spanish!

### **UPO Conversation Groups**

The Center for Foreign Students has organized 6 weekly Conversation Groups which students can sign up for in the Center for Foreign Studies office. The Conversation Groups will count as extra credit for your language classes. They will be run by students of the Masters in Teaching of Spanish as a Foreign language Program and will meet once a week for 50 minutes (Tuesdays or Wednesdays). It's a wonderful way to practice your Spanish with other students so sign up! Each group will have a maximum of 8 students. The timetables are: 10:30-11:20, 11:30-12:20, and 12:30-13:20.

### **Luis' Campus Hours**

Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays 2-3pm and Thursdays 10:30-12:30. Luis is on the second floor of the library in the multimedia area. You can also get in touch with him via e-mail: ([luis\\_ruda@yahoo.es](mailto:luis_ruda@yahoo.es)).

### **Alayna's Office Hours**

UPO: Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10:15 to 1:15  
University of Sevilla: Monday and Thursday 9:00-5:00, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, Friday 9:00-14:00. You can reach Alayna in the CIEE Academic Office by phone at 954 551 507 or e-mail [abrown@ciee.org](mailto:abrown@ciee.org)

### **Moving Dates**

If you think that you want to move to a different home-stay, see Nancy Merchant ([nmerchant@ciee.org](mailto:nmerchant@ciee.org)) in the Student Services Department in the Study Center. The next moving date is Thursday, March 1st. Be sure to speak with Nancy before the date of the move.

### **Important UPO Dates for this week:**

Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>: English Table (3-4pm)

## **General News**

### **Visita al Museo de la Autonomía Andaluza**

On Thursday, February 22 CIEE is going to take a group to visit the Andalusian Autonomy Museum. The Día de Andalucía is February 28, and a visit to the museum is a perfect way to commemorate the holiday. The museum is located in "Villa Alegría", the former house of Blas Infante. We'll meet at the Puerta de Derecho at 17:30h. There are only 50 available spots, so, if you're interested, sign up before Tuesday, February 22 at 12h.

### **CIEE Sports**

The sports for this week:

**Basketball:** This Tuesday the 20th at 19h, at the IFNI sports complex. Irene will be there ready to play.

**Volleyball:** Come to IFNI on Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 19h to play volleyball with Laura. See you there!

**Soccer:** Wednesday, February 21th at 19h. Laura will be waiting for you!

### **Cine Club- A special night**

"La noche de Carlos Saura". Jueves 22 de febrero a las 21h. Esta semana el cineclub estará dedicado a uno de los directores más prolíficos del cine español, Carlos Saura. En su amplia filmografía aparecen títulos como: "El Dorado", "Carmen" "Cría Cuervos" o "Ay Carmela". Nacido en Huesca, y en su palmarés encontramos el Oso de Plata del Festival de Berlín, una nominación al Oscar de la Academia, un premio especial de Cannes y otro del Festival de San Sebastián, entre otros.

### **Eating and drinking in the Palacio**

Please keep in mind that the only place you are permitted to eat and drink in the Palacio is in the aula Jaén. It can be used as a cafeteria from 14 to 15h. Thank you for your help in keeping the study center clean.

### **Computer Lab**

The computer lab is open from Monday to Thursday from 8 to 20:30h, and on Fridays from 9 to 13:45h. Please respect the opening and closing times.

### **Important Notice**

*Please do not throw toilet paper in the toilets in the Palacio.* Here in Spain the pipes are narrower than those in the U.S.A. Disposing of toilet paper in the toilets is likely to clog them, as happened last Monday and Tuesday. Thank you for your collaboration.

## **Things to do in your free time:**

### **Cine Ecológico**

From February 20 to 22 there will be showings of three "eco-friendly" films in the pabellon de Uruguay (Avda. de Chile s/n). *The March of the Penguins, Agua, and An Inconvenient Truth* will be shown at 20h, preceded by a distribution of free samples of eco-friendly products. Entrance is free. For more information go to <http://www.filasiete.com/noticias/ciclo-de-cine-ecologico-en-sevilla>.

### **Lunes de cine**

The University of Seville sponsors a weekly movie screening in the Pabellón de Uruguay. This week, on February 26, they're showing "Desayuno con Diamantes" (Breakfast at Tiffanys) at 17.30 and 20h. Free entrance.

### **Istanbul in Sevilla**

La Fundación Tres Culturas and the Turkish Embassy have organized a week of dancing, history, poetry, photography, and food from the Turkish capital. From February 24 to March 2 in the Pabellón Hassan II on the Isla de la Cartuja. Free. For more information go to [www.tresculturas.org](http://www.tresculturas.org).

### **Body REMIX**

The dancer Marie Chouinard brings her dance company to Spain for the first time to present their work: *bODY\_REMIX/gOLDBERG\_vARIATIONS*. The performance is a choreographed mediation on beauty and the human body. Friday, February 23 and Saturday, February 24 at 21h at the Teatro Central (c/ José Gálvez, 6). Tickets cost 15€ and can be purchased through El Corte Ingles or at the theatre. More information at [www.teatrocentral.com](http://www.teatrocentral.com).