



News from Seville International Business and Language Program October 23-29, 2006

After a wet and stormy week last week, we're entering the end of the month of October. Without realizing it, the half point of the semester has snuck up on us. Therefore, make sure to have fun and maximize your time here in Seville. If you haven't done so already, make the effort to integrate into la cultura sevillana.

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Academic News

CIEE Academic Office on the UPO campus

Alayna will be in the CIEE office on the UPO campus next week the following days and times:

Tuesday, 10:15am-1:15pm

Wednesday, 10:15am-1:15pm

The CIEE office is located in the *Celestino Mutis* Building (# 17,18 on the campus map). The office is located on the 2nd floor. Go up the main staircase and follow the hallway in front. There is a sign on the door that says "CIEE".

Conversation Groups at the UPO

Don't forget to sign up for an English or Spanish conversation group...sign-up in the Center for Foreign Studies office (building 14, ground floor).

Company Visits

Remember that company visits are mandatory, and if missed, will be reflected in your final class grade. The company visit scheduled for October 27th for Managing Cultural Diversity has been CANCELLED and RESCHEDULED for: **Friday November 17th**. Everyone seems to be very happy with their classes at the UPO...iestupendo! However, if you are having difficulties with your classes and want to drop one, the last day to do so is Monday, October 23rd. HOWEVER, before doing so, you must speak with Alayna. However, keep in mind that you must have at least 4 classes.

Yearlong Students

There is a mandatory meeting in the Palacio on Friday, October 27th from 10:00am-11:30am for all yearlong IBLP students. During this meeting we will talk about housing, activities, and academics for the spring semester. IMPORTANT: If any student is thinking about staying on for the spring semester, you should get in contact with Alayna as soon as possible (by the beginning of next week). If you are thinking about staying on for the spring semester you should also attend the October 27th meeting.

Excursions/Daytrips

October 28th: Daytrip to Cádiz.

One of the most impressive cities in Andalucía, Cadiz is more than 3000 years old. It's famous for its Carnival, nautical traditions, and for being the birth place of several important Spaniards. Although the weather may not be great, bring your bathing suit along just in case you get the urge to take a dip. The last day to sign up for the daytrip to Cádiz is October 26th. If you've already signed up for the trip and are no longer able to attend, contact José Viñas in the Palacio as soon as possible so that he can take your name off the list. The day of the trip we'll meet at the puerta de Derecho at 9.00h. Remember that you are responsible for your own food, so ask your host to make you a sandwich. We'll arrive back in Sevilla around 18.30h. You can check out the itinerary for the daytrip on-line on the Study Seville website under "daytrips and overnights". Don't forget your camera!

November 1st-4th: Overnight trip to Morocco

The itinerary for the overnight trip to Morocco is now on-line on the Study Seville website. Additional details will be added to the itinerary over the next two weeks. There will be a **MANDATORY** meeting for all students going on this trip on October 26th at 8pm in the Palacio. The guide for the trip, Abdel, will be there to answer any questions that you may have about the trip (cultural differences/norms, activities, etc.) Come prepared with questions ☺. In addition, **YOU MUST BRING YOUR PASSPORT AND A PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR PASSPORT WITH YOU TO THIS MEETING.** Alayna and José will also be at this meeting, along with your two chaperones for the trip, Carolina Cisneros and Virginia Neira (If you haven't met Caro or Virginia, meet them now [click here](#)).

Important Dates for October

Monday, October 23rd: THE LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW FROM A CLASS

Wednesday, October 25th (3pm): 3rd social/cultural activity: (2nd Intercambio event) at the Center for Foreign Students

Saturday, October 28th: Daytrip to Cádiz

General News

CIEE Sports

In a couple of weeks the SADUS Campeonato Universitario will start. Irene and Laura will explain the details this week, including how to form a team and sign up for competitions. It's fun, cheap, and best of all, they'll give you a free tshirt and shorts.

Basketball: Last week's results were unavailable at press time, so if you want to find out how all the games turned out, and the schedule for next week, talk to José. As always, the tournament games will take place at on Tuesday at IFNI from 19h to 20h, and pick-up games (open to everyone) from 20h and 21h.

Volleyball: We hope that this Tuesday we'll see you all at IFNI from 19h to 21h. Don't forget to invite your intercambio!

Soccer: This Wednesday, from 20h a 22h meet up with Laura to play some fútbol in Charco de la Pava.

Cultural Visit

On Sunday, October 29 there will be a free hiking trip with students from the Universidad de Sevilla and CIEE. We'll head to the famous park Cerro del Hierro in the mountains north of Seville. The excursion is free, but there is a limit of 40 people, so sign up in aula Almería to make sure you get a spot. If you go, make sure to 1) Wear appropriate shoes (NO FLIP-FLOPS!). 2) Bring a raincoat or umbrella, in case it rains. 3) Bring your own lunch and bottle of water, as well as a trash bag. 4) Don't forget your camera. 5)

Have fun! That Sunday meet at the puerta de Dercho at 8.30h. Please don't be late. Tell your señora that you'll be back in time for dinner.

Visit to Carmona

The professor Fátima has invited us to come along on the trip she'll be taking with her students on Friday, November 17 to the town of Carmona (just outside of Seville). We'll learn about the history of the town during some difficult times, passing through the ruins of the wall that surrounded the city. The trip is free, but make sure to bring your own food. If you want to go, sign up in aula Almería as soon as possible because there are only 15 available spots.

Visit to Córdoba

Fátima has also invited us to join her group of students on their trip to Córdoba on Friday, November 24. We'll visit the remains of the Medina Azahara, and of course, the Mezquita and Synagogue. If you weren't able to go on the previous trips to Córdoba, or you'd like to go again, don't miss the opportunity. The trip is free, but you should bring your own food. If you'd like to go, sign up in aula Almería as soon as possible because there are only 15 available spots.

Scavenger Hunt

This week the challenge is a little different. Your task is to take a picture of you and your intercambio on the set of a TV program. Go on the trip to Canal Sur 2 to see the group "Navajita Plateá" perform on the show "1001 músicas." The guide, Patricia, should also appear in the photo, which you then send to jvinas@ciee.org to receive a prize.

Cine Club

This week we finish up Terror Month with a great movie: *Children of the Corn*. See you on Thursday, October 26 at 21:15h in the Palacio.

Book Exchange

There are only a few books left on the book exchange shelf, so if you have a book in English that you've finished reading and you don't mind sharing....please put it on the bottom shelf of the revistero in the Palacio for others to enjoy.

Housing Move Date

The next date to change housing situations is October 31. If you have any questions, come talk to Nancy Merchant in the Student Services office.

Internet Workshop

Internet is full of places to practice your Spanish. If you want to take full advantage of online opportunities, sign up for a free workshop on October 27 at 12h. Where? In the computer room at the Palacio. How many people? There is a maximum of 12. Reserve your spot by writing your name on the paper posted on the door to the computer room. See you on Friday!

Language Tutors

If you're having trouble communicating and understanding Spanish, you can sign up for a **free** Spanish tutor through CIEE. The tutors are university students trained in language study and eager to help. You have until November 30th to request one. Talk to Marga Jiménez in the Writing Center or write her an email: mjimenez@ciee.org.

Writing Center

If you'd like to improve your written Spanish, the CIEE Writing Center is the ideal spot. You can bring in your essay or text, and the tutors will guide you through the process of writing in Spanish. The tutors are Spanish language professors here at CIEE. If you'd like to make an appointment, contact Marga Jiménez (Writing Center Coordinator) from Monday – Thursday from 9:00 – 13:00h, in the Writing Center (Aula Cádiz, 1st floor, next to the elevator). Or if you'd prefer, you may send an email to mjimenez@ciee.org.

Things to do in your free time:

Visit a TV Program

Do you want to find out what a live TV program is like? If you'd like to see a free concert by one of Spain's most famous groups, sign up for the trip to Canal Sur 2 Andalucía. We'll watch the filming of the program "1001 músicas" with a performance by "Navajita Plateá". This Thursday the 26th at 16:00h. Sign up with José before Wednesday the 25th at 11:00h. Feel free to invite your intercambio.

WOMEX

Enjoy 2 days of music from all over the world on October 26-28. 33 groups from 30 countries will play at the Palacio de Congresos y Exposiciones (Avda. Alcalde Luis Uruñuela 1). Take buses 27 or 55 to get there. For more info go to www.womex.com o www.turismo.sevilla.org.

Zoo

The Carmona zoo has just reopened its doors after almost a year of being closed. There are more than 80 different species located on the zoo's land of 12 hectares. Located in the town of Carmona, just outside of Seville, the zoo is open every day. For more information call 954-191-696, or talk with José Viñas.