

A combination of language, culture, volunteer work, and interactive pre-university workshops provides an enriching international experience for high school students in Spain. Hosted by a prestigious private university located in a safe environment where students are encouraged to participate in the cultural and social life of the community.

Curriculum

We employ a place-based learning approach: connecting classroom instruction with the culture, topics and issues of the host community; and engaging students in activities/tasks in which they contribute to solving real life problems. We define this as active immersion.

Daily Activities

- 1. Spanish language and culture lectures.
- 2. Tasks and errands that require applying what has been taught/learnt in the classroom.
- 3. Volunteer work in the local community.

Weekly Activities

Day trips: to businesses of special relevance in the area. Students have learnt about these industries in the classroom. They spend the day working on hands-on projects, and contributing with their in-put to the future improvement of the trade.

Location

Universidad de Francisco de Vitoria:

The program is based at the UFV's campus in Pozuelo de Alarcón, a residential suburb north-west of the Spanish capital city. Lectures and activities take place on campus and volunteer opportunites are arranged through the institution's office of Acción Social y Voluntariado.



Housing

 Participants in the UFV program live with families who have ties to either the university or the neighbouring high school, Colegio Everest.

Interactive Pre-University Workshops

• Students interact with recent college graduates working in different fields. These meetings provide insight on academic and professional opportunities within the European Union.

Related Links

- UFV: http://www.ufv.es/international
- Place-Based Education: http://www.antiochne.edu/wp-content/ uploads/2012/08/pbexcerpt.pdf
- Volunteer Community Work: http://www.ufv.es/instituciones
- Pozuelo de Alarcón: http://www.pozuelodealcarcon.org/

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