



# Gran Canaria

school of languages

Spanish courses



Since  
1964

# Brochure

# WELCOME

The GRAN CANARIA SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES offers intensive Spanish courses to foreign students since 1964.

Our Spanish courses are offered all year round in six levels and are aimed to adults who are either having their first contact with the Spanish language or to those who wish to improve their knowledge.

Our intensive Spanish courses are given in groups and in private or semiprivate lessons. Courses in Spanish for specific purposes are also available. Private tuition is also available on Skype.

At the Gran Canaria School of Languages you will find the Spanish course you need, whether general or for specific purposes, and we will introduce you to the Spanish and local culture. Our highly qualified and long experienced teachers will make your study of the Spanish language an easy fun trip. Our mild climate will pamper you on our beaches of golden sand, and the island will reveal its most beautiful sights to you. Our social and cultural activities will let you get in touch with our history, culture, art and people.

It will be an experience that we are sure you will enjoy and hope you will repeat.  
Come and experience Gran Canaria with us!

Mauricio Lagartos  
Manager

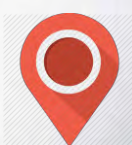
# GRAN CANARIA

## APRENDE ESPAÑOL

Learn Spanish

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## APRENDE ESPAÑOL

### Learn Spanish



#### Gran Canaria School of Languages

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Canary Islands – Spain

# About us



**Gran Canaria School of Languages** has specialized in teaching of Spanish as a foreign language to foreigners since 1964. During these years many students have expanded the reputation of the school worldwide. The teachers are highly qualified and have a long experience in the field of teaching Spanish as a foreign language.

In 1994 the school was officially congratulated for its 30th anniversary by the Canary Islands Government through the Tourist Board of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria as well as by the City Council through its Tourism Department for its many years of fruitful activity.

In 2014 the congratulations to Gran Canaria School for its 50th anniversary were renewed.

In 2001 it was awarded by the CIT (Centre for Initiatives and Tourism) of Gran Canaria the recognition of Recommended Business for its excellent pedagogical labour in the teaching of Spanish to foreign students, and for its student accommodation quality.



**Bildungsurlaub  
Hamburg  
Hessen**



**Gran Canaria School of Languages** is recognised since 1986 by the German Länder of Hamburg, Hessen and others as a collaborator in teaching Spanish (Bildungsurlaub) for professional training.



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FUNDACIÓN PARA LA INVESTIGACIÓN  
Y DESARROLLO DE LA CULTURA ESPAÑOLA

The **Gran Canaria School of Languages** is the only authorised centre for the DIE (Diploma Internacional de Español) examinations in Las Palmas.

The International Diploma of Spanish is recognised by the Courses of Spanish Language and Culture of the Universidad Pontificia of Salamanca.

# Our guarantees

Your satisfaction and well-being is very important to us. Therefore, we guarantee our services and the quality of our programs in order for you to exceed your expectations.

## No registration fees

The school does not charge any registration or booking fees for courses or accommodation.

## 4 Spanish levels throughout the year

The school stays open all 12 months of the year.

We run our Spanish courses in four levels all year round.

## 20 hours/week

Levels taught in groups of max. 12 participants:

A1, A2, B1, B2, C1.

All groups will have 20 hours of tuition per week regardless of the number of participants.

## All classes are made up

The school only closes on bank holidays. All classes pertaining to those days are made up during the same week.

## Any course as of 1 week

Any course may be booked as of one week and for as many weeks as desired.

## Food preferences are respected

When booking our half board, your meal preferences will be respected: vegetarian, celiac, allergic to lactose, etc.

## Qualified and experienced teachers

All our teachers are native speakers. They hold a university degree in Spanish philology or linguistics and have long experience in teaching Spanish as a foreign language.

## Online learning

Try our online course of levels A1 and A2 before you arrive and after you leave. This will help you maintain and enhance your Spanish level after you return home.

## Accommodation near school

Stay in our accommodation and reach the school in 15 minutes or less by foot along the beach promenade. No public transport needed, guaranteed.

# Location



Location map:

- The school
- The accommodation buildings
- The airport bus terminal

# Las Palmas

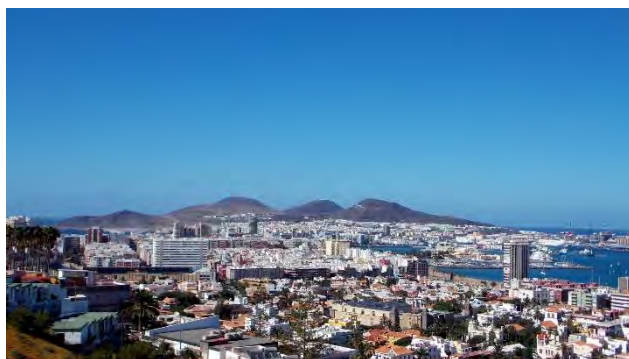
## The city

Here you will find a major Spanish port city with all it entails: the historic city quarter Vegueta, lively streets and inviting shops, beautiful squares, relaxing parks, nice pubs and cafes where you can experience the pleasant life of the city, and the city beach Playa de Las Canteras, where you can enjoy the sun and the sea in the afternoon after your language course.

Among the highlights you will encounter are the historic colonial city quarter Vegueta (with its cathedral, the colonial House of Columbus, the market, the Espíritu Santo square and street, Cairasco square), the Alfredo Kraus Auditorium and many more. You will find most highlights in the two city districts: Vegueta-Triana and the harbour-beach district. This is where your Spanish language school is located. The port area has its own charm. Unwind in one of its many beautiful parks or on the beach.

In the evening you can experience the cultural life of the city: theatre, concerts, cinemas, museums, exhibitions and festivals of various kinds are held throughout the year. In the last years an alternative scene has also developed in the old quarter, with interesting galleries and music venues.

Las Palmas, the capital of Gran Canaria, was ranked as **the city with the best climate in the world** in a 1996 scientific study called 'Pleasant Weather Ratings', by Thomas Whitmore, director of research on climatology at Syracuse University, New York. Whitmore studied many years of official weather data for 600 cities worldwide, making comparisons with the ideal living and holiday weather conditions. The conclusion he reached was that **Las Palmas de Gran Canaria is the only city in the world that deserves to be awarded a full 100 score for its perfect climate.**



# Gran Canaria

## The island

The Canary Islands (*Islas Canarias*), also known as the Canaries (*Canarias*), are located in the Atlantic Ocean just off the southern coast of Morocco, 100 kilometres (62 miles) west of its southern border, and on the same parallel as Florida.

The islands enjoy a subtropical climate moderated by the sea and in summer by the trade winds, with long warm summers and moderately warm winters. In ancient times, the islands were often referred to as "the Fortunate Isles".

Gran Canaria offers not only beaches of golden sand, but surprises by its untouched nature, as you may not expect.

A trip to the island's interior is very attractive. From the central summits dozens of wild, rugged ravines plunge radiantly down to the sea. These remote and often inaccessible ravines have allowed the preservation of an endemic flora.

Here and there you can discover idyllic villages with magnificent views between rocks and ravines. White houses and a friendly atmosphere characterize these mountain villages.



*The Canary Islands... a fantastic life.*

John Kettley, meteorologist.

# Our method and levels

## DEVELOP YOUR LANGUAGE SKILLS

The methodology put into practice at Gran Canaria School of Languages gives special emphasis to the development of the four communication language skills (reading, listening, writing and speaking) while also teaching the grammar basics of the language. So it is a combination of the direct and traditional methods. The final goal is for our students to be able to communicate fluently and correctly in Spanish. Use of the language being studied and learned is an essential classroom requirement.

Lessons are held only in Spanish.

## LANGUAGE IMMERSION

To achieve this goal and in view of the context of language immersion surrounding the student, the teacher will motivate his learning, emphasizing the functionality of the content acquired: *What can what I am learning be used for?* This way a direct bridge will be created between the learner's environment in the classroom and the reality he will have contact with during his stay on the island.

## DEVELOP YOUR COMPETENCE

The grammar backup characteristic of the more traditional method is also present in our courses. To this purpose there will be available activities and exercises of controlled practice that potentiate and develop the student's linguistic competence.

## PARTICIPATIVE TEACHING

The classes are participative, including the use of CDs, videos, etc. to

improve the comprehension of Spanish. In

addition to learning the language, we try to bring the Spanish culture closer to the student by means of authentic material.

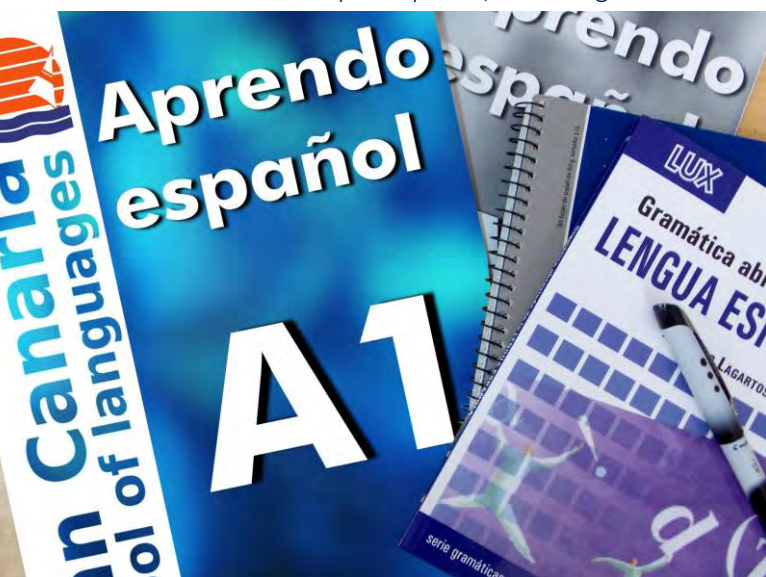
At the Gran Canaria School of Languages each course has a specific program.

Gran Canaria School of Languages offers Intensive Spanish Courses all year round in 5 levels of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages: A1, A2, B1 and B2, and C1 six month per

year from October to March. Levels C1 and C2 are also given all year round as private courses.

*The school was well recommended by a friend. I rate the course overall as excellent and I recommend the school to other students. I will book a Spanish course at the school again."*

Kristin Sigurtardóttir,  
Iceland.





### **A1 Beginner**

The student can interact in a simple way with native speakers, understand and use familiar everyday expressions and basic phrases by using the present tense.

Length: 4 to 5 weeks.

The student must pass a mandatory level test to step up to the next level.



### **A2 Basic**

The student can maintain a conversation in simple and routine matters (personal and family information, shopping, local geography, employment, etc.) by using the present, future and past tenses.

Length: 4 to 5 weeks.

The student must pass a mandatory level test to step up to the next level.



### **B1 Intermediate:**

The student understands the main points of clear standard input on familiar matters and is able to deal with most situations likely to arise whilst travelling in an area where the language is spoken. He is able to describe experiences and events, dreams, hopes & ambitions and briefly give reasons and explanations for opinions and plans.

Length: 4 to 5 weeks.

The student must pass a mandatory level test to step up to the next level.



### **B2 Advanced:**

#### **B2 Avanza and B2 Progres**

The student is able to understand the main ideas of complex text on both concrete and abstract topics. Can interact with a degree of fluency and spontaneity that makes regular interaction with native speakers quite possible without strain for either party.

Length: 4 to 5 weeks

The student must pass a mandatory level test to step up to the next level.



### **C1 Superior: from October to the end of March**

#### **C1 Avanza: October, December, February.**

#### **C1 Progres: November, January, March.**

The student is able to understand a wide range of demanding, longer texts, and recognize implicit meaning. Can express him/herself fluently and spontaneously producing clear, well-structured, detailed text on complex subjects. Can use language flexibly and effectively for social, academic and professional purposes.

Length: two blocks (Avanza and Progres) of 4 to 5 weeks each. Each block is given in alternate months, but students of B2 can join any of the blocks at any month.

## INTENSIVE SPANISH: Course20

20 tuition hours / week

- The Course20 consists of 20 tuition hours/week in general Spanish given Monday to Friday from 9 am to 1 pm.
- It is given all year round in levels A1, A2, B1 and B2.
- Level C1 is given from October to the end of March. This level is also given all year round as a private or *Duo* course.
- Length of levels: 4 to 5 weeks. B2 and C1 consist of two blocks of 4 to 5 weeks each.
- Starting dates for beginners: first Monday of every month. Beginners with some knowledge can join the group one or two weeks later.
- Starting dates for other levels: any Monday.
- The course can be booked as of 1 week.
- Groups consist of maximum 14 students.
- All classes pertaining to bank holidays are made up during the same week with one more hour on the other working days.
- 1 tuition hour: 50 minutes.
- Tuition is given in Spanish.
- There is no booking fee. Prices are as shown below.
- Tuition material and certificates are not included in the price.

## SUPERINTENSIVE SPANISH: Course25

Course20 + 5 hours/week with a teacher  
25 tuition hours / week

- The Course25 consists of 20 tuition hours/week given Monday to Friday from 9 am to 1 pm in the Course20 + 5 hours as private classes with a teacher.
- It is given all year round in levels A1 to B2 in the Course20 and private lessons.
- Level C1 is given from October to the end of March. This level is also given all year round as a private or *Duo* course.
- Length of levels: 4 to 5 weeks. B2 and C1 consist of two blocks of 4 to 5 weeks each.
- Starting dates for beginners: first Monday of every month. Beginners with some knowledge can join the group one or two weeks later.
- Starting dates for other levels: any Monday.
- The course can be booked as of 1 week.
- Groups consist of maximum 14 students in the Course20. Private lessons are given one-to-one with a teacher.
- All classes pertaining to bank holidays are made up during the same week with one more hour on the other working days.
- 1 tuition hour: 50 minutes.
- Tuition is given in Spanish.
- There is no booking fee.
- Tuition material and certificates are not included in the price.

## SUPERINTENSIVE SPANISH: Course30

Course20 + 10 hours/week with a teacher  
30 tuition hours / week  
Ideal for Bildungsurlaub

- The Course30 consists of 20 tuition hours/week given Monday to Friday from 9 am to 1 pm in the Course20 + 10 hours as private classes with a teacher.
- German students doing a Bildungsurlaub at levels A1 and A2 can study the 10 extra hours on the PC.
- It is given all year round in levels A1 to B2 in the Course20 and private lessons, and A1-A2 in the PC-course.
- Level C1 is given from October to the end of March. This level is also given all year round as a private or *Duo* course.
- Length of levels: 4 to 5 weeks. B2 and C1 consist of two blocks of 4 to 5 weeks each.
- Starting dates for beginners: first Monday of every month. Beginners with some knowledge can join the group one or two weeks later.
- Starting dates for other levels: any Monday.
- The course can be booked as of 1 week.
- Groups consist of maximum 14 students in the Course20. Private lessons are given one-to-one with a teacher. For the PC-course, every student works individually on his PC.
- All classes pertaining to bank holidays are made up during the same week with one more hour on the other working days.
- 1 tuition hour: 50 minutes.
- Tuition is given in Spanish.
- There is no booking fee.
- Tuition material and certificates are not included in the price.

# Spanish private course

## PRIVATE SPANISH

ONE-TO-ONE course (1 student)  
Duo course (2 students booking together)  
10 tuition hours / week

- Levels A1-C2.
- It is given as one-to-one classes (1 student) or *Duo* classes (2 students booking together).
- Length: as long as desired.
- Start: any time.
- 1 tuition hour = 50 minutes.
- Tuition of bank holidays is made up during the other working days of the week.
- Year round.
- Students in the Duo course must have the same level.

# **S**panish online

## **ONLINE SPANISH**

At [abclingua.net](http://abclingua.net)

The abclingua online course is a fun and easy way for anyone to learn Spanish on the PC.

All lessons are presented with audios that include grammar, vocabulary and practical examples. Different exercises complete the lessons.

Ideal for students who want to progress at their own path, to review what was learned in class, or to do some prior study in Spanish to make the beginning in the group classes easier.



- Levels A1-A2
- The student can follow the content of our A1 and A2 method in this online course.
- Lessons are presented with audio and video explanations. Exercises are also done online.
- Start: any time.
- Year round

# panish via Skype

## **SPANISH** via Skype

STANDARD COURSE  
20 tuition hours / week

We offer one-to-one courses via Skype, a practical, efficient and economical way to study without moving away from home.

- Levels A1-C2.
- One-to-one instruction via Skype and email.
- 10 lessons/week, Mon-Fri, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. (local time = CET -1).
- Start: any time.
- Year round.

Morning lessons are given between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. local time = CET -1.

Afternoon lessons are given between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. local time = CET -1.

When the week contains a bank holiday, the afternoon lessons start at 2 p.m.

# Timetable

The tuition week for the Standard Course of levels A1 to C1 is distributed in 20 class hours, each of 50 minutes, which are given from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday to Friday.

The school is open all year round and only closes on bank holidays. The classes for those days will be made up during the same week.

Sample timetable for the Standard course.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
09:00 - 10:30	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class
10:30 - 11:00	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
11:00 - 12:00	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class
12:00 - 12:10	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
12:10 - 13:00	Class	Class	Class	Class	Class

Here is a sample timetable of a week with a holiday.

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
09:00 - 10:30	Class	Class	Holiday	Class	Class
10:30 - 11:00	Break	Break		Break	Break
11:00 - 12:30	Class	Class		Class	Class
12:30 - 12:50	Break	Break		Break	Break
12:50 - 14:00	Class	Class		Class	Class

Here is a sample timetable of a week with two holidays. This happens in April (13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>) and in December (6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>).

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
09:00 - 10:30	Class	Class	Class	Holiday	Holiday
10:30 - 11:00	Break	Break	Break		
11:00 - 12:30	Class	Class	Class		
12:30 - 12:50	Break	Break	Break		
12:50 - 14:00	Class	Class	Class		

# Our teachers

Our teachers are university graduates in Spanish philology or linguistics and they have long experience in teaching Spanish as a foreign language. They participate periodically in retraining courses in order to always be up to date in the new teaching methods and systems. These methods teach the factors that linguistic progress depends on and how to overcome the barriers that people of different origins and languages face when studying a language. All this so that their progress will be quicker and more effective.

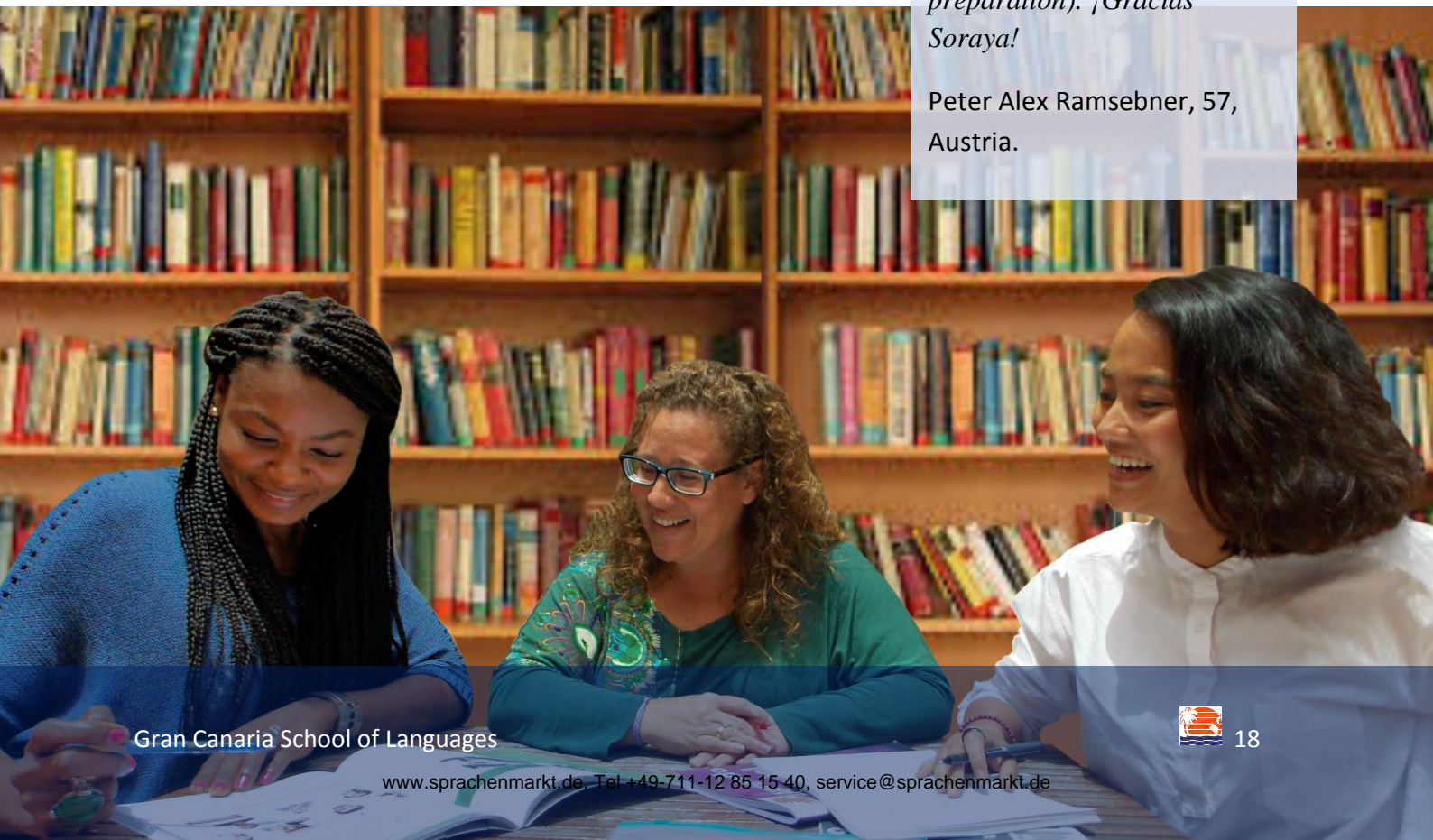
Our teachers are examiners for the DIE (International Diploma of Spanish) with authorization from the Foundation for the Research and Development of the Spanish Culture (FIDESCU).

*Excellent teaching and a very good atmosphere at school.  
¡Gracias Marta!*

*Visit the old parts of the town (Vegueta, Triana), the mountains (especially Roque Nublo).*

*Very good food (individual preparation). ¡Gracias Soraya!*

Peter Alex Ramsebner, 57,  
Austria.



# Our certificates

## Our certificate of attendance

The Certificate of attendance is not included in the price of the course.

This document is only issued upon request but only to students who attend at least 85% of their classes.

It indicates the studied level, the objectives and contents of that level, the total number of hours studied and the course dates.

Our certificate of attendance is not valid as an official document in accordance with the legislation regulating non-accredited education.

*Me gustaría muchísimo volver a la escuela el próximo año para mejorar mi español y también porque he encontrado personas muy amables y divertidas.*

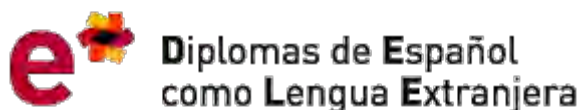
*¡Muchísimas gracias!*

Ilaria farioli, 26,  
Italia.



# DELE preparation

Official examinations: preparation for the DELE Diploma



The Diplomas in Spanish as a Foreign Language (DELE) are official qualifications certifying the degree of competence and mastery of Spanish, granted by Instituto Cervantes on behalf of the Ministry of Education of Spain.

The DELE examination provides for all the different variants of the Spanish language. They are all considered as valid to obtain the diploma.

The DELE examinations have been designed following the guidelines of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) of the Council of Europe, which ensures a practical way of establishing a standard, international and objective measurement of the level that should be reached at each teaching stage, and in evaluating results.

The University of Salamanca collaborates with Instituto Cervantes in designing exam papers and in grading the tests leading to the Diplomas in Spanish.

There are six sittings for this diploma: April, May, July, October and November, although not all levels are tested in every sitting. The University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria is the examination centre in this city.

The Gran Canaria School of Languages prepares (but not examines) students for every level of this Diploma. Classes are given as private tuition and sample examinations are used to test the student's skills.

There are 6 levels of Diplomas in Spanish according to the CEFR:

- Diploma in Spanish Level A1.
- Diploma in Spanish Level A2.
- Diploma in Spanish Level B1.
- Diploma in Spanish Level B2.
- Diploma in Spanish Level C1.
- Diploma in Spanish Level C2.

# DIE examinations

**Official examinations: Diploma D.I.E.**



The Gran Canaria School of Languages is the only authorised centre for the DIE (Diploma Internacional de Español) examinations in Las Palmas.

The DIE is recognised by the Courses of Spanish Language and Culture of the **Universidad Pontificia de Salamanca**.

The objective of the **DIE** consists of evaluating the capacity of each candidate to communicate effectively with other Spanish speakers.

The **DIE** is the most complete Spanish diploma that presently exists due to the multiple levels it offers:

- 10 levels in the oral examinations
- 6 levels in the written examinations
- 3 subjects as specific purposes: Business, Health and Tourism.
- The examinations take place every Friday at the school.

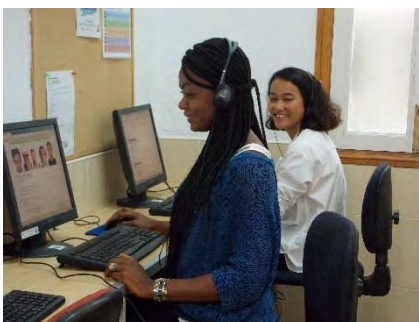


# The school

The school owns 3 buildings near each other, only a few meters from the beach of Las Palmas (Canteras Beach). The school occupies one of the buildings; the other buildings are the residences.

All three buildings are located just beside the beach (Playa de Las Canteras), one of the most beautiful in Spain with 3 kms. of fine golden sand and a lively promenade full of terrace-bars and restaurants.

The school building has a maximum capacity of 70 students in 7 classrooms. It is a 2-storey construction with two Canarian patios used as a lounge connecting with offices, some classrooms and the computer room for internet access. On the second floor there are more classrooms, the library and the terrace, which can be used by the students as gathering and resting area. Each classroom is equipped with video and audio devices and a slide projector.



# Sunday is welcome evening

## Sunday is welcome evening

All new students are invited to school on Sunday evening at 18:30 hours (6.30 p.m.) for a welcome evening.

That evening, students will be greeted by our staff, they will receive information on the city's highlights, information on the city transport, information on activities organized by the school and other activities they can do on their own and get to know their new school mates. This will be a good chance to make new friends.

For those students who have booked our accommodation with half board, the welcome evening continues at our canteen, where dinner will be served at 19:00 hours (7.00 p.m.). Students who have not booked our accommodation are also welcome to have dinner with us if they have booked it in advance.

Having dinner at our canteen is also a good chance to meet more students and make new friends, as those students that arrived the previous weeks will also be present.

# First day at school

## Monday

### First day at school

Our standard courses start on Monday at 9:00 o'clock. By then, all students must have gone through a placement test. Our placement test consists of a written and an oral test. We strongly recommend our students to submit the written placement test from our web page at:  
<http://www.es.grancanariaschool.com/test.php>  
before their arrival.

8:00 h.

We expect those students staying at our accommodation on Monday at 08:00 o'clock for the oral placement test. After the oral test, breakfast will be served to them at 08:30 h.

8:30 h.

At 08:30 we expect those students not staying at our accommodation, and thus not having breakfast with us, for their oral placement test.

9:00 h.

Once our students have been assessed and placed in their levels, tuition material can be acquired at our front desk. It is recommended to bring a notebook and a pen.

The course begins at 9:00 o'clock.

# Accommodation

## Advantages of staying at our accommodation:

Staying in any of the residences of Gran Canaria School offers you the advantage of living with the other students of the school and sharing their company during meals and excursions. This facilitates friendship between all of them and puts into practice the use of Spanish as a common language, as excursions, groups and gatherings to go out for dinners, meetings on the beach, car rental, hiking, etc, will be composed of students of different levels and nationalities. Thus, although you may only visit the school for 1 to 2 weeks, you will not feel lonely because you will be integrated from the first day in the group of all students living in the residence.

The Gran Canaria School's policy is not only to teach efficiently but to create a club of lovers of the Spanish language which will result that your stay will not only be profitable but will also make you feel happy during your stay with us. And we hope this will encourage you to repeat your stay with us.

Especially important is to participate at your first Sunday dinner because there you will meet other students of our residences and you will receive information about the school and the city.

## Description

The school offers a comfortable accommodation option at the studio flats.

The accommodation is located a short distance from the airport bus station, a shopping mall and leisure centre, shops and commercial areas, bars, restaurants, supermarkets and banks.

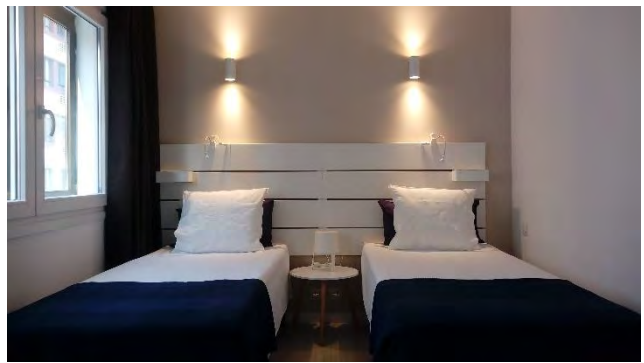
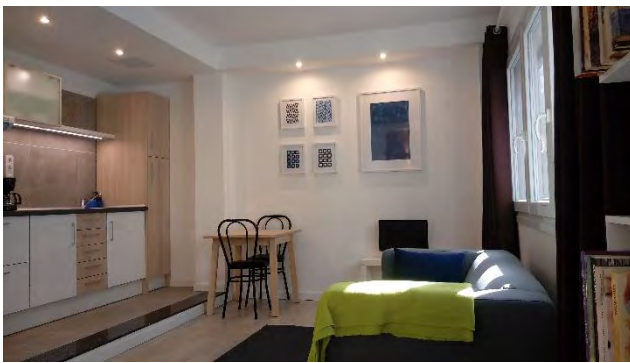
Only students as of 18 years of age or minors accompanied by their parents or legal tutors may book a room in our accommodation.

The studio flats: The building was renovated in 2020 and offers 9 studio flats for two persons. All studios have their own kitchen equipped with microwave, refrigerator, coffee maker, toaster, kettle and ceramic hob. All studios have sound-proof windows, private bathroom, satellite TV, safe and free WiFi internet access.

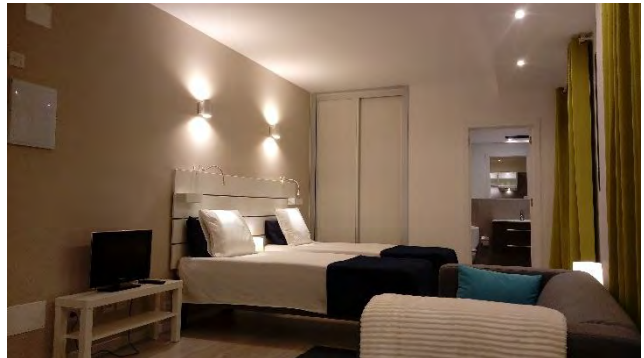
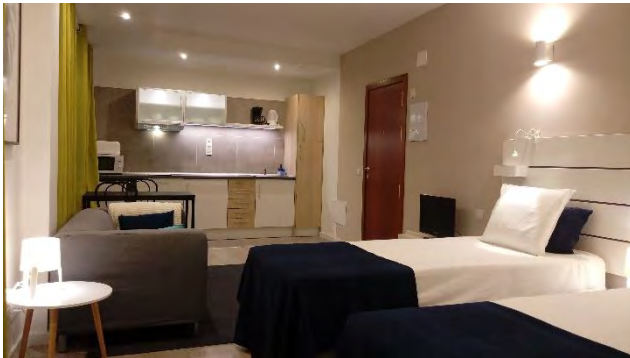
It is located only 50 m from the beach and 10 minutes' walk from the school along the beach promenade.



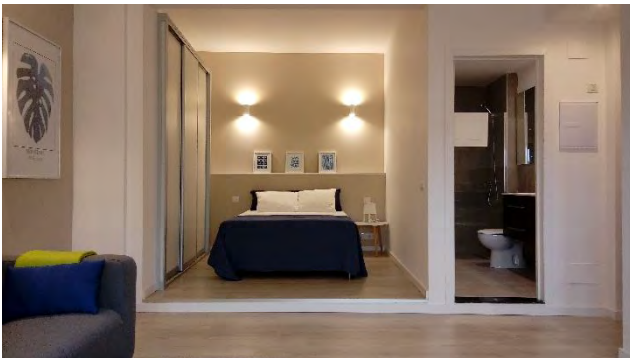
Studio A



Studio B



Studio C



The rooms are equipped as follows:

- Kitchen with refrigerator, microwave, coffee maker, toaster, water boiler, ceramic hob, pot and pan, crockery and cutlery,
- 2 single beds (90 x 200) or 1 double bed (140 x 200) and a side table,
- Table and two chairs,
- Private bathroom with WC and shower. No hair dryer,
- Iron and ironing board,
- Big soundproof windows with curtains,
- Built-in wardrobe,
- Safe box,
- Free WiFi internet access,
- TV with channels in Spanish and German,
- Bed sheets, blankets, pillows and towels are provided.

Following services are included in the accommodation price:

- Free city map
- Cleaning of the room every 8 or 9 days (first cleaning is before occupying the room),
- Bed linen and towels are provided and are changed with the cleaning of the room,

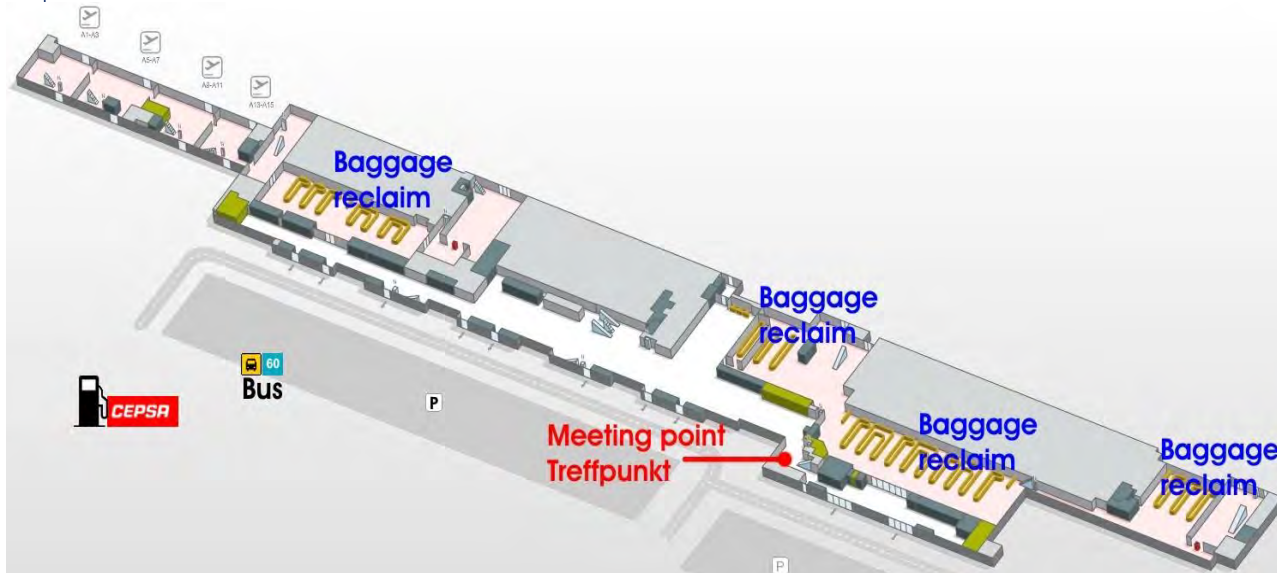
Following services are not included in the accommodation price:

These services are paid extra

- Extra cleaning of the room with change of bed linen and towels,
- laundry of personal clothing (not ironing).

# Arrival

## Airport of Gran Canaria



### Bus to Las Palmas:

You will find the bus to Las Palmas (line 60) as you cross the parking lot in front of the arrivals terminal. Turn to the right towards the red CEPSA petrol station. The bus stop is just in front.

**Bus timetable** (PDF): <http://www.globalsu.net/lineas/linea60.pdf>



60	Diario Daily Täglich	HORAS / HOURS	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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Buses depart to Las Palmas at H.15 minutes and H.50 minutes and cost approx. 3 Eur. Both stop at the San Telmo bus station but only the first one (departing at H.15 minutes) drives all the way to the Santa Catalina Bus Terminal. That is your final destination. If you take the San Telmo bus you can finish your trip by taxi (San Telmo bus station to Best Residence or Plus Residence costs approx. 5 Eur). If you have reached the Santa Catalina Bus Terminal by bus you can walk (150 m) to the Best Residence. If you don't carry too much luggage you can also walk to the Plus Residence. See the city map below for details.

**Taxi to Las Palmas:**

If you prefer to drive by taxi, you will find these at the exit of the arrivals terminal.

A Taxi from the airport costs about 40 Eur.

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Once you have arrived at your accommodation use the entry key we have sent to together with your documents. In the entry hall you will find an envelope with your name containing your room keys.

Make yourself comfortable. The beach is only 30 meters further down.

On the weekend we expect you at 7 p.m. for dinner at our canteen located at the Plus Residence: 43 Nicolás Estévez street.

Only a ten minutes' walk separates the school from the *Best Residence*. It is a nice walk along the Las Canteras beach promenade. The *Plus Residence* is even closer, just around the corner.

# Activities

## Excursion:

The school organizes a weekly excursion to the most beautiful and interesting places on the island. May it be the North coast or the inner villages, you will be amazed by nature's generosity with Gran Canaria. These excursions are paid separately by those participants who have not booked our accommodation. These excursions are paid separately.



**Some of our destinations:** Agaete, Puerto de las Nieves, jardín botánico, cráter de Bandama, barranco de Guayadeque, Valsequillo, Moya, Valleseco, Firgas, Arucas, Teror...





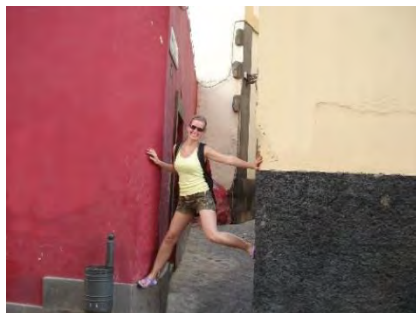
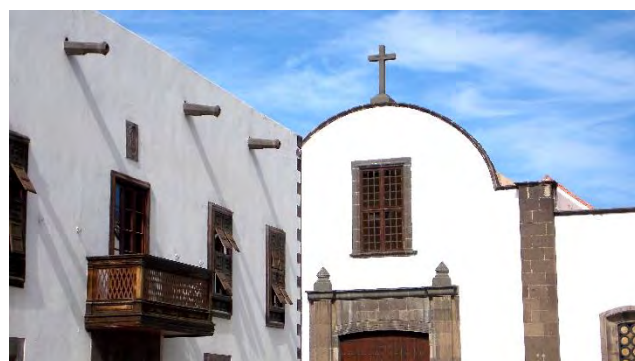
## A visit to Vegueta and dinner:

A visit to Vegueta, the old colonial quarter of the city, by the hand of one of our teachers.

After the visit you can taste the local specialties and enjoy a glass beer or wine.

The Tapa-Tour is paid separately (**22 Eur**), it takes place on Fridays and requires a minimum number of 5 participants.

Transportation and 'Tapas' are included.



### Surf course:



We collaborate with the nearby Quiksilver surf school, thus we offer you the possibility to combine your Spanish course with a surf course.

The surf course can be booked by hours. It takes place in the afternoons and weekends.

The surf board and the wet-suit are provided by the surf school. Just don't forget your swim wear!



### Outdoors:

If you are a sportive person and do not want to spend your weekend on the beach, there are local companies that organize all sort of sport and leisure activities for you: mountain bike, trekking, climbing and much more.



### Diving:

The 236 kilometres of coastline and the crystal-clear water with visibility of up to 40m and a great abundance of fish close to shore invite the diver to explore the underwater world of Gran Canaria and be amazed by its beauty.

Whether you are looking for a beginner's course or for a diving excursion, we can arrange your diving activities with any of the local clubs.



# Starting dates

## Starting dates

- Levels A1, A2, B1 and B2 are given all year round. Level C1 is given from October to the end of March. Levels begin the first Monday of a month and thus run for 4 to 5 weeks. Beginners start the first Monday of every month. Beginners with some knowledge can join the beginner course one or two weeks later. Students of intermediate or advanced level can join our courses any Monday, as well as students in private tuition.
- Groups of levels A1 to C1 receive 20 tuition hours from Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. with a maximum number of 14 participants.
- Levels C1 and C2 can be booked as private lessons any time of the year.
- All classes pertaining to bank holidays are made up during the same week.