

Intensive Spanish and Cultural Immersion

Mexico May Term 2008

May 6- May 31, 2008

Application Deadline: October 15, 2007

Description: The Mexico May Term is designed for students to improve their Spanish language skills and to learn about the culture, history and literature of Mexico. The May Term takes place at Casa Sol, Earlham's Academic Center in Cuautla, Morelos, Mexico, one and one half hours southwest of Mexico City (www.earlham.edu/~imp/mexico/casa-sol). All students live with host families and there will be several hours of programmed activities each day to provide many opportunities to develop Spanish skills. In addition, there will be structured conversations several evenings a week to learn more about Mexican culture. There will also be cooking classes, aerobics classes, and additional lectures and presentations. Excursions to nearby areas such as Cuernavaca, Tepotzlan, Puebla, Chalcatzingo and swimming areas will also be an important part of the May Term.

Course: 3 credits, Spanish 201, 301, 434, depending on level

1. For students with 101 and 102: Four hours of class each day: 2 hours of grammar, 1 hour of conversation, and 1 hour of reading and writing. Daily conversation with families.
2. For students with 201: Four hours of class each day: 2 hours of grammar, 1 hour of conversation and 1 hour of reading and writing. Daily conversation with families.
3. For students with 301 and above: Three hours of class each day: 1 hour of history and literature, 1 hour of reading and writing, 1 hour of conversation and vocabulary building. There will also be several hours per week of participation in nearby primary schools and conversations with youth in Cuautla.

Faculty

Howard and Patty Lamson. Howard is Professor of Spanish and Hispanic Studies and Patty is the Director of International Programs. On-site faculty and staff include Norma Salas, Jacqueline Guillermoprieto, Goyo Velasco, Roalndo Guillermoprieto, Fabiola Velasco, Carmelita Navarette.

Orientation There will be orientation sessions in the spring to prepare for this experience.

Costs

The course fee for the Mexico May Term is \$1850.00, which covers room and board, course excursions and all course activities. Students are responsible for roundtrip transportation costs to and from Mexico City. Students are also responsible for additional expenses such as passport (required) personal items, additional travel, books, gifts, etc. Earlham enrollment fees apply as well as tuition fees if applicable.

Applications

Applications are available in the International Programs Office in Bolling Center #131. Students must apply through IPO to participate on this May Term.

May Term Plans Subject to Change