

# *Learn Spanish in the Happiest Country in the World!*

## **A Four-week Experience in Costa Rica:**

Targeted mainly at college students, working adults, and business people from the United States, Canada, Brazil, Europe and Asia, who would like to immerse in a 1-month intensive Spanish Program based in Costa Rica.

The main program is a 4 week, 4-hours a day, totaling 80-hour + 16 hours project with a final presentation, aimed at allowing students to reach a basic conversational level in Spanish. Tailor made programs also available upon request.

**WIZARD** is a leading language franchise with over 30 years of teaching experience and fully owned by Pearson Education. The Program is offered by WIZARD Costa Rica, the official Master Franchise of Costa Rica.





**\*\* US College Accreditation: University and College students enrolled in a US institution can earn up to 6 higher education credit for basic and conversational Spanish, from our US nation-wide accredited partner Atlantis University of Miami. [www.atlantisuniversity.edu](http://www.atlantisuniversity.edu)**

### **Next Program Dates:**

<b>June</b>	From June 5 to 30 (arrival in Costa Rica by June 4)
<b>July</b>	From July 3 to 28 (arrival in Costa Rica by July 2)
<b>August</b>	From July 31 to Aug. 25 (arrival in Costa Rica by July 30)

\*\* Other dates: Programs usually begins on the first Monday of every month. Longer and tailor-made Programs also available.

### **Arrival Date & Orientation Meeting:**

Students should be in San Jose on the **Sunday prior to the first day of classes, by 4pm** at WIZARD Heredia at Centro Comercial Torres de Heredia. After this orientation session, the students will be guided to their respective accommodation. Students who miss the orientation meeting will need to find their own way to their respective accommodation and meet WIZARD staff at first day of classes.

### **Program Description:**

This course seeks to prepare students in the development of the four language skills (listening, speaking, writing and reading) in the Spanish language. Given the essential role that languages currently play in professional and social contexts, this program is intended to become a tool for the development of a foreign language, personal growth and cultural exchange.

Due to the intensive nature of the course, the student is expected to work on the extra activities lessons an average of one hour a day. For a final grade, students are also expected to work on review lessons as well as to take a 100-point final exam. Wizard Language Institute will issue a certificate at the end of the course. In addition to the 80 hours of regular classes, Students will have a 16-hour self-prepared graduating final presentation as part of the course program.



## A lifetime Investment:

Regular program Price: \$ 1,490 (US dollars)\*\*

### Investment includes:

- Pick up at arrival at Juan Santamaría International Airport (SJO)
- Material: 1 WIZARD book, 1 WIZARD Wizpen
- Regular Program: 4 week of Spanish classes (4h / day Mon-Fri 8am to 12 noon)
- Daily coffee break refreshments

- Free Wi-Fi inside school
- WIZARD Program certificate
- **2 guided one-day tours included:**
  - Day tour to Poas Volcano, Volcán Irazú or other
  - San Jose City Tour

\*\* Price does not include accommodation, meals, insurance policy or any other item not listed above. Students must reserve and pay their own air travel arrangements to and from Costa Rica. Prices may change without notices.

---

## Accommodation Alternatives:

Students could opt to stay in a local family house or in a flat / hotel of their choice. WIZARD will advise and guide students with their accommodation alternatives but WIZARD will not be responsible for accommodation services.

**a) Local Family Room and Board** (breakfast and one meal + laundry) at family house (private room) – Cost \$600 per month (4 weeks)

**Note:** Although WIZARD is not responsible for the services provided by the room and board local providers, most of the host families recommended by WIZARD have previous experience accommodating international students.

If you opt for Family Room accommodation, specify in your application form and our Program Manager (contact below) will make the matching and reservation with the host family. Their payment should be made in cash in the Orientation Coffee.

### b) Walking distance hotels from Wizard Paseo Colon:

#### Park Inn Hotel San Jose

US\$ 89 / night (500m from WIZARD)

#### Tryp Sabana

US\$ 79 / night (800m from WIZARD)

#### Hostel del Paseo

US\$ 50 / night (50m from WIZARD)

#### Aldea Hostel

US\$ 35 / night (300 m from WIZARD)

\*\* Prices are approximate. They may vary depending on the season of the year.

If you opt for hotel accommodation, you should make the reservation and payment directly with the chosen hotel. For special rates, call the hotel reservation directly and mentioned Wizard Spanish Camp or contact our Program Coordinator.



## Travel Insurance and 24 hour Emergency Support, VISA and Vaccine:

Every student must provide a travel insurance, which covers travel and medical emergencies, valid for the duration of the stay, before arriving in Costa Rica. Our Program Coordinator can provide local insurance company providers if necessary. Students should send a copy of their insurance policy prior to arriving in Costa Rica.

## Visa and yellow fever vaccine:

A travel visa is not required for US citizens, Canadians, Brazilians, Europeans and Australians. Please check with the local Costa Rican consulate if your country is required to have a visa prior to coming to the Program. Students traveling from Brazil, and many other southern-hemisphere countries, are required to take the yellow fever shot at least 14 days before arriving in Costa Rica. If you are traveling from the northeast-hemisphere you do not need a yellow fever vaccine.

## Cancelation and Reimbursement Policy:

Cancelation made in written form by:

- a) **30 days prior to the beginning of the program:**  
80% refund
- b) **15 days prior to the beginning of the program:**  
50% refund
- c) **5 days prior to the beginning of the program:**  
20% refund

Cancelations received 4 days or less before the program starts will not be reimbursed.

## About WIZARD by Pearson:



Wizard is one of the largest language institute in the world, with over 30 years of language teaching experience. Wizard has currently over 500,000 students and over 1,200 school sites in various countries. Wizard is a language franchise 100% owned by Pearson Group, the largest education conglomerate in the world. [www.pearson.com](http://www.pearson.com)

Wizard Costa Rica is the official Wizard school in the country. It has over 4 years of operation, and has trained over 2,000 students since its launch in 2012. It has two school sites, located in the capital of Costa Rica, San Jose [www.wizardcostarica.com](http://www.wizardcostarica.com)

## Program Manager and Enrollment Information:

**Program Manager:** Isela Rodriguez  
Tel +506 8835-3580

**Email** [spanishprograms@wizardcostarica.com](mailto:spanishprograms@wizardcostarica.com)

**Website** [www.wizardcostarica.com/spanishcamp](http://www.wizardcostarica.com/spanishcamp)

[wizardcostarica](https://www.facebook.com/wizardcostarica)



## About Costa Rica:

Costa Rica is one of the safest and friendliest countries in all Latin America. It is also one of the most well educated countries in the region. A well-established democracy, Costa Rica abolished its army in 1948, and since then, government resources that would go to the military industry are channeled mostly to education and the health system. The country has a population of approximately 5 million people and a GDP per capital of approximately \$10,000. The local currency is the Colon, but American dollar is accepted nationwide. For further information on Costa Rica:

**Visit:** [www.cinde.org/en](http://www.cinde.org/en) **Watch:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kn6qgfTmsyA](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kn6qgfTmsyA)

