The Instituto Cultural Oaxaca, "your gateway to Spanish", offers the perfect atmosphere for a unique educational experience where you can learn Spanish, study the history of the area and live the culture.

The school is charmingly set on a gracious 19th century estate. Beyond its gardens, the gate opens to the city of Oaxaca, where historic and present-day Mexico meet.

Located in southern Mexico and nestled in the state's central valley, Oaxaca is a beautiful city surrounded by tropical mountains; it boasts colonial monuments, archaeological treasures and exquisite architecture.

**ACADEMIC PROGRAM**

All participants must enroll in one of the following courses during the pre-departure orientation in San Francisco.*

- **SPANISH 10A**: **BEGINNING CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH** 3.0
  First-semester course. Intensive oral practice of basic structures and vocabulary most often used in conversation. Designed for students who wish to acquire basic skills of spoken Spanish. **CSU**.

- **SPANISH 10B**: **CONTINUATION OF BEGINNING CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH** 3.0
  Second semester course. Extensive oral practice of basic structures and vocabulary most often used in conversation. Designed for students who wish to acquire basic skills of spoken Spanish. **CSU**.

- **SPANISH 10C**: **INTERMEDIATE CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH** 3.0
  Third-semester course. Extensive oral practice of basic structures and vocabulary most often used in conversation. Designed for students who want to acquire more advanced skills of spoken Spanish. **CSU**.

- **SPANISH 10D**: **CONTINUATION OF INTERMEDIATE CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH** 3.0
  Fourth-semester course. Extensive oral practice of basic structures and vocabulary most often used in conversation. Designed for students who wish to enhance existing conversational skills in Spanish. **CSU**.

- **SPANISH 4**: **INTRODUCTION TO SPANISH LITERATURE** 3.0
  Reading of literary and cultural selections; composition; review of selected grammar. **CSU/UC**.

* A placement exam will be given in Oaxaca which will determine the correct academic level at the Instituto Cultural Oaxaca (ICO).

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**CULTURAL PROGRAM**

**HOUSING**

Students will be housed with Mexican families within the city of Oaxaca. This gives students the opportunity to practice the language, as well as to learn more about the Mexican culture. The homestay program includes lodging in a single room and one meal per day (breakfast) with the family, with the option of "comida" (the main meal, served around 1:00 p.m.) with your hosts on a weekly basis - for an additional cost. Laundry service is not included.

Alternate accommodations are available on a first come, first-serve basis in either an apartment or at a posada (hotel/hostel) and must be booked in advance. Additional cost is approx. $50-$200 depending on the property. Contact CTS for details.

**WORKSHOPS**

Two-hour cultural workshops (talleres) are usually held in the afternoons in subjects such as Oaxacan cooking, local history, conversation, Mexican cinema, ceramics, weaving, Mexican music, salsa and folk dance. This year, a workshop will be offered in Medical Spanish. Students who participate fully in this workshop will receive a "Certificate of Completion" from the Instituto Cultural Oaxaca. These workshops provide students with a personal insight into Mexican culture through interaction with local artisans & teachers - as well as the opportunity to practice their language skills acquired in class.

**INTERCAMBIOS**

Students may participate in a one-hour daily language exchange with local university students and professionals. This gives CCSF students a chance to practice their Spanish and interested Oaxacans the opportunity to practice their English. The Intercambio, an opportunity for casual conversation with native speakers and one-on-one cultural exchange, is a popular feature of this program.

**CULTURAL PROGRAM**

Weekly lectures in Spanish are given on the history, archeology, art or anthropology of Mexico, with emphasis on the Oaxaca area. All lecturers are professionals in their field and allow for a question/answer period. In addition to the lectures, films, concerts, fiestas and more are part of this program.
PARTICIPATION DETAILS

Eligibility
It is recommended that you discuss your participation in the Oaxaca program with the CCSF Study Abroad Coordinator prior to enrollment. Please call 415-239-3778 and ask for Jill Heffron. Completion of a pre-departure orientation meeting is mandatory. Students must complete enrollment forms for CCSF and CTS. An on-site orientation and a Spanish language placement exam will take place at the Instituto Cultural Oaxaca.

PROGRAM COST: $2,350.00

Cost is per person, based on single occupancy. The price is based on a minimum of 15 students and is subject to change.

PROGRAM PRICE INCLUDES:
- Roundtrip air transportation (economy class) from San Francisco to Oaxaca
- Transportation to and from the airport to host family dwellings in Oaxaca
- Single occupancy with local Mexican families in Oaxaca
- One meal daily (breakfast) with host families
- Classes at the Instituto Cultural Oaxaca
- Textbooks and instructional materials
- Academic and cultural program including language class, workshops, lectures and intercambios
- International Student Identity Card (ISIC), which includes basic Health and Accident Insurance
- Pre-departure and on-site orientations
- Mexican departure tax
- Services of CCSF Study Abroad office & CTS Travel

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE:
- CCSF Enrollment Fees (see below)
- Personal expenses, passport fees and anything not listed above.
- Optional meal plan -- Comida, the main meal of the day (lunchtime), at $35 per week. Arrangements can be made with CTS before departure or with the ICO after arrival.
- Weekend optional tours - arranged by the Instituto to various local destinations (colonial sites, Monte Alban, Tule, artisan villages, etc.)
- Alternate accommodation additional costs (if applicable), approx. $50-$200.

SCHOLARSHIP
Students who have completed at least 12.0 units at CCSF may apply for scholarships ranging from $50 to $500. For further information and an application, please call the Study Abroad Office at (415) 239-3778.

ENROLLMENT FEES
California residents must pay a $20 per unit fee, plus a one time $12 fee (or $72 total) for a 3-unit course. Non-residents pay $190 per unit, plus a one time $12 fee (or $582 total) for a 3-unit course. Fees are payable to CCSF during the pre-departure orientation at the time of registration. Fees are set by the State of California and are subject to change. Please contact the CCSF Study Abroad Coordinator at 415-239-3778 for further information.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

First payment (deposit) due March 28, 2008 $350.00
Second payment due April 25, 2008 $1000.00
Final payment due May 23, 2008 $1000.00

CANCELLATION / REFUND POLICY
All cancellations must be made in writing and are effective when received by CTS:

March 28 - May 9 $100 penalty
May 10 - May 23 $350 penalty
May 24 - June 25 $350 penalty + airfare + any + unrecoverable amounts
Day of departure & after No refund

INSURANCE
Participants will receive an International Student Identity Card (ISIC) with their program packet, which provides limited accident and emergency medical insurance. All participants must hold evidence of basic health and accident insurance, which is provided by the ISIC. Additional travel medical insurance and trip cancellation coverage is recommended. CTS can offer supplemental comprehensive insurance at student rates. Please contact them at 1-800-635-5488 (ext.916) for information or refer to your sign-up packet.

PASSPORTS AND VISAS
A visa is not required for this program length. U.S. citizens are required to show a valid passport for entry into Mexico. Non-U.S. citizens should contact their local Consulate for information or refer to your sign-up packet.

PROGRAM LEADER
In Summer of 2008, the group will be accompanied by Professor Ed Stering, a member of the CCSF Spanish Faculty for more than 20 years. (That’s Professor Stering below - the one not wearing a Guelaguetza costume!) He lived in Mexico City for three years and also led the Summer 2002, 2004 and 2006 programs in Oaxaca for CCSF. Professor Stering is available for student questions via email at: estering@ccsf.edu.

For further information and an applica-
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