**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, boasting 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).

### **CULTURAL PROGRAM**

### **HOMESTAYS**

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 supper (the main meal) with your hosts on a weekly basis - for an additional cost. Laundry service is not included.

Alternate accommodation is available on a first come basis at either an apartment or a posada (hotel/hostel) and must be booked in advance. Additional cost is approx. $25-$150 depending on the property. Contact CTS for further 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. 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.

### **GUÉLAGUETZA FESTIVAL**

On the Monday before departure, participants will have the opportunity to see the Guelaguetza, one of the most beautiful dance and music festivals in Latin America. Open seating is available at no charge; seats closer to the stage cost approximately USD $40 (includes ICO handling fee). We recommend reserving in advance for this popular event. It's an exciting time to be in Oaxaca due to the variety of cultural events prior to the Festival.
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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: $2,088

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 via Mexico City
- 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 (at lunchtime), at $32 per week, to be taken on a weekly basis once in Oaxaca (families to be notified in advance).
- Guelaguetza tickets, reserved seating ~ $40.00 per ticket.
- 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. $25-$150.

SCHOLARSHIP
CTS / CCSF will be awarding a partial scholarship for students participating on the 2004 Oaxaca program. Please contact the CCSF Study Abroad Office at 415-239-3778 for details & application.

ENROLLMENT FEES
California residents must pay a $18 per unit fee, plus a one time $8 fee (or $62 total) for a 3-unit course. Non-residents pay $162 per unit, plus a one time $8 fee (or $494 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 26, 2004 $250.00
Second payment due April 26, 2004 $919.00
Final payment due May 21, 2004 $919.00

Payments by credit card will incur a 3% processing fee.

CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY
All cancellations must be made in writing and are effective when received by CTS:
- March 27 - May 14 $50 penalty
- May 17 - May 30 $250 penalty
- May 31 - June 27 $250 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.

PASPORTS AND VISAS
A visa is not required for this program length. U.S. citizens are required to show a valid passport or a certified birth certificate for entry into Mexico. Non-U.S. citizens should contact their local Consulate regarding visa and entry requirements. Participants will be provided with a Mexican tourist card.

PROGRAM LEADER
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I have carefully read this brochure for the CCSF study program in Oaxaca, Mexico and I wish to participate in this program. I agree to all policies stated in the program brochure.

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E-mail Date of Birth Citizenship

Home Phone Work Phone (include area codes)
☐ Beginning ☐ Intermediate ☐ Advanced

Spanish Language Level

Signature Date

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