



Study Abroad in Mexico

# MEXICO

Winter Break  
May Session  
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## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



### TERM

Winter Break  
May Session  
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### LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION

Spanish



### HOST INSTITUTION

Cemanahuac Educational  
Community



### HOUSING

Homestay



### ELIGIBILITY

2.5 GPA  
Freshmen and above  
No language  
prerequisite



### WEBSITE

[UMabroad.umn.edu/programs/americas/mexico](http://UMabroad.umn.edu/programs/americas/mexico)



### About Study Abroad in Mexico

Improve your Spanish language in small classes with dynamic and attentive teachers. Live with a host family. Immerse yourself in the culture of Mexico. Visit ancient Aztec ruins. Explore the Palacio de Cortes and the murals of Diego Rivera.

### Housing & Meals

Cemanahuac arranges for students to live with Mexican host families for the duration of the program. All meals are included. The majority of families live within walking distance or a short bus ride of Cemanahuac, making it easy for you to get to and from classes. Living with a host family means more than just having accommodation and meals; it provides you with a unique opportunity to experience Mexican culture and daily life firsthand.

### Excursions

Two day trips—one to the pyramids of Teotihuacan and the other to Mexico City—are included in the cost of the program. You can participate in additional cultural excursions arranged by Cemanahuac for an extra fee.

### Learning Outcomes

- Improve Spanish speaking, writing, listening, and reading skills
- Develop a strong sense of independence from being outside of your comfort zone
- Learn to appreciate relativity, accept complexity, and embrace ambiguity
- Challenge previous assumptions about Mexico and Mexican culture
- Learn to function effectively as a team member in a diverse workplace



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## COURSEWORK

Small class sizes—five or fewer students—allow you to build a strong foundation of Spanish language in a few short weeks. Take courses at Cemanahuac Educational Community, an international language institute housed in a villa in the Las Palmas neighborhood of Cuernavaca. Cemanahuac offers a personalized learning environment and instruction by native Spanish speakers. Living with a Mexican host family gives you a unique window into modern Mexican life and additional opportunities to improve language skills.

Participate during winter break, May session, or the summer. Enroll in one four- or five-credit language course per term. Choose from beginning, intermediate, or advanced Spanish language courses. May and summer sessions can be combined, allowing you to complete up to four semesters of Spanish language in 12 weeks.

## COURSES AVAILABLE EACH SESSION

- *Beginning Spanish I*
- *Beginning Spanish II*
- *Intermediate Spanish I*
- *Intermediate Spanish II*
- *Spanish Grammar & Composition*
- *Spanish Composition & Communication*

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Take advantage of opportunities to connect with locals through a language exchange program with English language learners, or by volunteering to tutor local school children.

## FINANCIAL PLANNING

Most financial aid may be applied to study abroad. In addition, University of Minnesota students are eligible for \$1.5 million in University of Minnesota study abroad scholarships. For more information about other financial resources, visit the Learning Abroad Center website.

## STUDY ABROAD FITS YOUR DEGREE

Study abroad credits can count toward major, minor, liberal education, and second language requirements. Contact an adviser to find out how this program fits for you.

## EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

The University of Minnesota is committed to the policy that all persons shall have equal access to its programs, facilities, and employment without regard to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital status, disability, public assistance status, veteran status, or sexual orientation.

“I could sit and talk for hours about the great experiences I had there. I came home with knowledge of the language and culture, an appreciation for the people, a lot of friends, and great memories.”

—Alex

## CITY OF ETERNAL SPRING

Located just 90 minutes south of Mexico City by car, Cuernavaca has a temperate climate, natural beauty, and rich history that make it the perfect location to discover the cuisine, culture, and warmth of Mexico. Originally a retreat for Aztec royalty, then the site where Cortés built his palace, the Cuernavaca of today is a vibrant city and the capital of the state of Morelos. Follow the music of mariachis down to the *zócalo*. Visit the area’s historic haciendas, all while accelerating your language skills and living with a hospitable host family.

