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“I have great memories and can say that the people running the Alba program were very helpful. The teachers were innovative, creative and very up-to-date in their methodology. The trips to see Spain were priceless! Not only did I learn about the culture living with a Spanish family, but I also learned to love every bit of it thanks to the support of everyone involved. I highly recommend the program to anyone.”

*Jose Acosta-Carmora, Spanish Teacher  
Highland Park High School  
Highland Park, IL*

“It was a wonderful program. The practical aspects of the program and the potential for networking with teachers from all over the US are definite strengths. I will encourage my teacher friends to look into the program. It qualifies for title funding, and that’s a plus!”

*Judith Koneffklatt, Retreat Consultant  
St. Joseph Notre Dame High School  
Alameda, CA*

“ Thank you for the unique opportunity to attend classes in Barcelona. All the language staff were friendly and welcoming. It was equally stimulating to have class with colleagues whose level of Spanish and teaching experience were comparable to mine.

“I found the information and delivery of such from a pedagogical viewpoint so useful! What is most appreciated is that the teachers teach what they preach, you experience the concept or strategy in action. I also appreciated the attention to theory as well as practice.

“Our director took us to various tapas restaurants in the evening, and also a most memorable gathering with classmates on the rooftop of La Pedrera.

“I would love more US teachers to attend this program, for its practicality as well as the immersion language experience. I will continue to promote it in our district. Thank you for allowing me this great summer opportunity.”

*Cathy Abreu  
Highland Park High School  
Highland Park, IL*



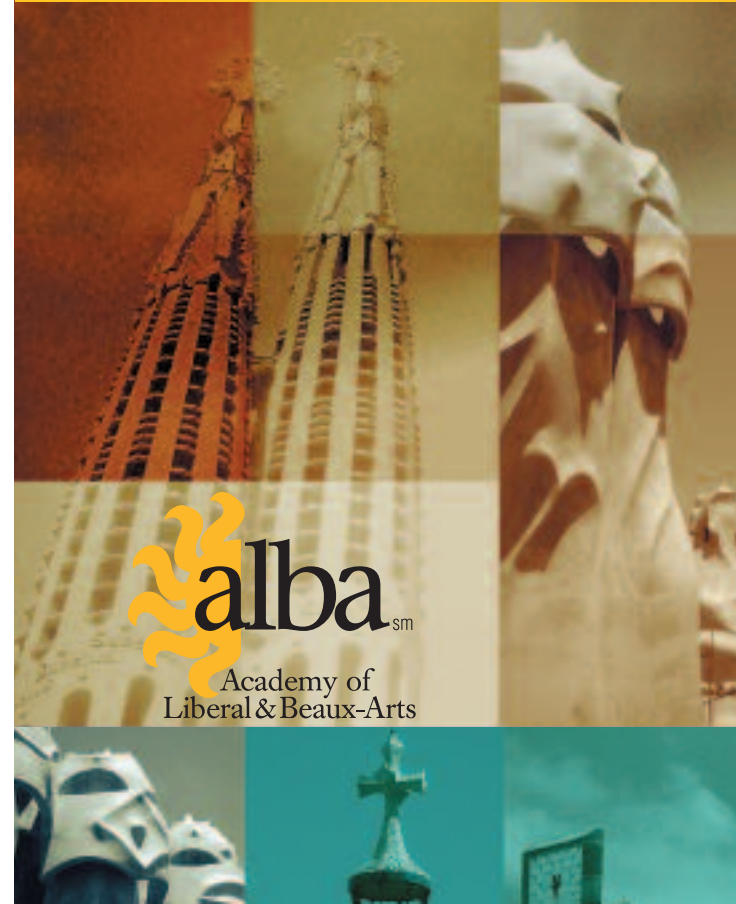
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# BARCELONA

## The ALBA Teachers Program in Barcelona

Professional Development Program for Teachers of Spanish (PDP)

BARCELONA, SPAIN  
July 7-28, 2007





## Professional Development Program (PDP) in Barcelona/Summer 2007

This is an intensive program, involving approximately 75 hours - about five hours a day - of instruction over a three-week period in addition to individual work and related organized activities, designed for experienced teachers of Spanish in secondary and post-secondary institutions. Classes are normally conducted in Spanish.

Practical training is provided in three areas:

### Methodology Component

Role of the teacher in communicative language teaching; classroom management; lesson planning; techniques for achieving proficiency in reading, writing, listening and speaking; error correction and accuracy to achieve fluency.

### Language Component

Seminars on the most difficult aspects of grammar and usage: e.g., *ser* and *estar*; *por* and *para*, etc.; narrative strategies; contemporary vocabulary.

### Socio-Cultural Studies

The geography, peoples and society of modern Spain: cultural diversity; contemporary customs and social life; Spanish youth and social behavior; art and architecture (e.g., Dali, Miro, Picasso, Gaudi).

### Academic Credit

Upon successful completion of the program, participants will receive 12 quarter-units (8 semester units) of graduate credit in Education: Curriculum & Instruction (CI 810) from Portland State University in Portland, Oregon.

### Accommodation

ALBA provides centrally-located housing with local families for greater cultural and language immersion. These "homestays" can be on either a "b&b" (breakfast-only) or "half-board" (breakfast and evening meal) basis. Apartments may be available upon special request (meals not provided).

### Program Support

The PDP is taught in association with International House (IH), a major language training institute in the heart of Barcelona. IH faculty hold advanced degrees in language, literature and culture and have themselves completed graduate teacher-training courses. They provide an unparalleled learning experience for participants. In addition, ALBA has two Program Coordinators who share responsibility for looking after participants' needs (such as morning coffee, as well as more general issues). They normally organize and lead one or two trips on program weekends to the Catalonian countryside (e.g. hiking, wine-tasting and other activities).

### Costs

For 2007, tuition, including all registration and other academic-related fees, is \$3195.

Homestay costs are additional:

for b&b option: \$ 895

for half-board: \$1195

Apartment rents vary, typically in the \$800 (small/shared or farther out) to \$1500 range.

(Note: it is usually possible to arrange for longer stays in all housing types.)

### Application/admission

Requirements for admission to the PDP are straightforward:

- 1) Spanish language teaching experience - particularly at the post-elementary levels and,
- 2) at least a first, undergraduate degree in a relevant subject area (particularly Education or Spanish).

This information, along with any other that you may wish to provide, can be filled out on the enclosed card and returned to the ALBA address shown on the reverse.

The deadline for application is June 1, 2007, and all charges (tuition and housing) must be paid no later than June 15, 2007 unless otherwise arranged.

ALBA admissions will normally respond within two weeks of receiving your application. A deposit of \$300 is due within one month of the date of the admission letter, and no later than June 1, 2007 (meaning that it should accompany applications sent after May 15, 2007). Places on the program, including accommodation, are allocated on the basis of when deposits are received.

1. Name (First, M.I., Last)

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2. Current mailing address:

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Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Teaching and other relevant language experience: institution, dates, position (start with most recent):

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4. Post-secondary education and professional qualifications: institution, date, qualification:

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5. Accommodation preference(s) (circle one):    homestay b&b;    homestay half-board;    apartment

6. Comments (e.g. housing or meal requirements, etc):

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_