

¡Bienvenidos a Costa Rica!

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HOW TO APPLY

1. Create an account on Abroad Office— <http://ashland.abroadoffice.net>
2. On the left, choose 2014 AU Programs, then the AU in Costa Rica—Spanish for Special Purposes page. Click Apply to Program and complete application information.
3. Attend four Pre-Departure meetings, beginning in January.



ABOUT SPANISH FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES

The Intensive Spanish Study in Costa Rica is a program designed to provide students with an immersion experience. Students attend six hours of language instruction per day at *Conversa Language Center* in Santa Ana. With the Spanish for Special Purposes program, students will have the opportunity to improve their Spanish and learn vocabulary specific to their field.

This program is ideal for those pursuing professions in health care, business, education, the sciences, social work, and other fields. Education students have an additional opportunity to participate in a two-week field experience in order to work as an assistant in a neighboring school. For additional cultural experiences, students live with host families and have the option of participating in excursions.

PRE-REQUISITE: Successful completion of SPAN 171 & 172 or equivalent (WebCAPE placement).

ALUMNUS PERSPECTIVE: “The superintensive program with a business concentration has advanced my knowledge of business in other cultures. It was interesting to learn the accounting ‘lingo’ used in Spanish-speaking countries. Also, the one on one conversations provided an excellent opportunity to discuss the economic situation in Costa Rica versus the United States. It also provided the chance to act as more of a teacher and share the business culture of the United States with the professors at *Conversa*.”

DEADLINE

Attendance at the January pre-departure meeting.

TYPICAL DAY

8:30–10:30 a.m.	Class
10:30–11:00 a.m.	Second breakfast
11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.	Class
1:00 p.m.	Lunch
2:00–3:30 p.m.	Vocabulary for special purposes, a site visit, or a lecture. Fridays afternoons are free for travel.
3:30 p.m.	Bus home

ESTIMATED PROGRAM COST (costs subject to change)

4 weeks (6 credits) - \$3310

6 weeks (9 credits) - \$4870

8 weeks (12 credits) - \$6420

INCLUDED: Ashland University summer tuition, single room with a host family, 3 meals a day while in Santa Ana, international health insurance, and round-trip transportation from San Jose Airport to Santa Ana.

NOT INCLUDED: Flight (approx. \$850), passport (\$135), departure tax (\$29), pre-departure orientation textbook (\$10), spending money and excursions (range from \$1 - \$125).



¡Pura Vida!



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