Summer at the UAM:
Spanish course for foreigners, language and mexican culture 2013
Learn, See, Experience and Enjoy!
The Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana (UAM) is a public university with 39 years of experience, founded on the idea of innovation. With a strong link to our social environment, our flexibility has helped us maintain our place in the vanguard of higher education. It is among Mexico’s top universities.

UAM is organized around a General Vice-chancellorship with five independent campuses (Azcapotzalco, Cuajimalpa, Iztapalapa, Lerma, and Xochimilco).

The University offers 75 undergraduate degrees and 75 graduate programs. The UAM works with more than 450 public and private institutions around the world, and has official relationships with 6 international consortia.

The UAM has an excellent international reputation, shown by its renowned results in research, development, and literary production, as well as by its more than 130 foreign students from around the world.
Upon arrival, we will give you a pleasant welcome where you will get to know your professors and will discover that Mexico has a great cultural wealth of Mesoamerican ethnic groups. Beyond the excellent Spanish language classes, the course will cover Mexican history, art, architecture, and archaeology, as well as significant aspects of some ethnic groups Otomies and Mexicas and a brief understanding of the Mayas.

You’ll get to know the most important places of Mexico City and its surroundings, interacting, always, with the language you are learning. During these cultural tours you’ll have the opportunity to visit a great deal of important historic buildings through the program Ventanas Arqueológicas (Archaeological views). You’ll visit the Templo Mayor Museum, the Metropolitan Cathedral, the National Palace, the National Museum of Anthropology and History and the Popular Culture Museum. You’ll walk down tree lined streets, through beautiful parks, and along grand boulevards with famous statues and monuments. You will be able to make artistic works and taste the varied Mexican cuisine. You’ll visit archaeological sites (Cuicuilco and Teotihuacan), typical places (Xochimilco and Zumpango) and talk to indigenous groups (Mazahuas and Otomies). You will travel to the magical city of Taxco. You’ll ride to
all of these fascinating places in the comfortable and safe UAM buses. And, on your free time, you will be able to explore Mexico City’s coffee shops, restaurants, markets, street life, and its extensive and varied nightlife. Mexico City is a progressive city and its people are open to all nationalities, ethnic groups, and lifestyles.
At the UAM you will:

- Experience and learn about the Mexican Culture from an integrated approach that combines theory and practice of the Spanish language through direct contact with the city, its people and its cultural life.
- Practice the Spanish language by a total immersion context, enriching the learning experience through contact with different Mesoamerican ethnic communities.
- Explore the different forms of non-verbal communication that exist in our great country.
- Identify the UAM as an educational institution committed to Mexico’s cultural heritage.

Campus

The UAM Summer Course will take place at the Centro de Extensión Educativa y Cultural Casa Rafael Galván, located on the street of Zacatecas #94, Colonia Roma. The Colonia Roma is one of Mexico City’s most beautiful, interesting, and safe neighborhoods. The campus is close to all forms of public transportation including the
Metro, Metrobus, Buses, Secure Taxis, and even Mexico City’s bike system.

**Dates and Hours**

The UAM Summer course will begin on July 22th and will expire August 16th, 2013. Spanish language courses will take place from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm and the Mexican Culture and History Program will occur from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

**Cost**

The UAM Summer Course costs 1,450 dollars or 1,100€ and includes:
- A Spanish language course with an integrated Mexican Culture and History Program.
- Transportation to the different historical sites and excursions in and outside Mexico City, entrance fees, lunch (from Monday to Saturday) and on all excursions.
- Breakfast is included in the room and board cost of the Hostel or Hotel you choose.

*Dinners and Sunday meals are not included.*

**The UAM offers you:**

- The best Spanish professors, all with a great deal of experience in Spanish language instruction and Mexican culture and all have advanced degrees. Our professors will insure that you learn Spanish and enjoy your experience.
- An active and communicative method of instruction with quality materials.
- A well equipped language center with a state of the art computer system.
- Medium sized groups (maximum of 15 people) to ensure a dynamic and productive learning environment.
• Basic, intermediate and advanced Spanish Course.
• Social activities with Mexican students who will be taking the English summer course at the same location.
• A total of 192 course hours, divided into language and culture/history.
• Food service with excellent Mexican food from 1:00 to 2:00 pm.

Requirements to register

• Minimum age: 18 years old
• Have an International medical insurance

Admission Process 2013

• Registration on-line: March 18th, to June 10th, 2013
• On-line placement test: March 18th, to June 10th, 2013
• Letter of pre-acceptance: June 14th, 2013
• Face-to-face interview: July 18th, and July 19th, 2013

Accommodation

Mexico City has plenty of accommodation options for every budget:

• Hostels with shared rooms (for 4 to 10 people), for about 10 dollars per day. (8€)
• Hostels with private rooms (for 2 or 3 people), for about 19 dollars per day. (14€)
• Four Star Hotels with a single room for about 56 dollars per day. (39€)
• All of the above include breakfast.
• All hostels and hotels recommended are 15 minutes from the course venue.
For more information, please contact: Armando Ortiz Tepale, M.P.E. spanishcourse@correo.uam.mx www.vinculacion.uam.mx/spanishcourse