

¡Spaß mit Spanisch!



# Valencia City

Valencia is the third biggest Spanish city, located at the mouth of the River Túria, almost at the same latitude as Mallorca. With its mix of culture, mild climate, gastronomy and Night-Life (!), Valencia is ideal for an Erasmus Program.

The historical center is impregnated of many centuries of history, and its highlights are of course planned in the program: La Lonja (former silk-exchange), the imposing Cathedral, Miguelete-Tower, the city-fortress-towers (Serranos and Quart), the bohemian neighborhood *Barrio del Carmen*, and many more.

The best orientation reference is the old river bed that zig-zags and splits the city in two. After the flooding of 1950, the river was diverted, and the old bed hosts parks, sport installations, concerts... it really as became a landmark of Valencia. Are you bored? Just "go to the river", there is always something going on there ©

The city has several beaches, in quite good state. The best tones are some 20 km away, but these in the city would just do it. They offer lots of beach-sport and as well local tapas and paellas in the restaurants *chiringuitos* as well as Night-Life in beach-lounge-bars.

Another must is paying a visit to the legacy of our most famous Architect, Santiago Calatrava: the ultra modern City of the Arts and Science (Ciudad de las Artes y las Ciencias). We will take you there and blow your mind guys!!



### **Climate**



Valencia enjoys a typical Mediterranean climate, mild winters and hot (yet tolerable) summers. Around Easter and autumn, temperatures range 17-25, almost no rain, what means: almost always is possible to drink a beer on a terrace!

### Gastronomy



The Valencian gastronomy is dominated by rice, fish, meat and local veggies. The most famous dish is, yes you know, the *paella*. The variety of used rice grows some 15 km from Valencia, in the natural Park *L'Albufera*. There are many places to eat paella... we will take you there where the locals eat. Variations of Paella, as many as you want: with seafood, mixed, with noodles, with calamari ink...

Another absolute hit is the refreshing *horchata*, made from earth almond. Taste will be new for you, we cant explain, just try it, lecker!

### Free-time



We plan a tapas-rally, a quintos-tour (quinto=1/5 of a beer...), and some other insider-events. See the detailed calendar. There are several Night-Life-busy areas, we will just tell you where to go... and where not to go. Just don't miss the lesson the day after ©

### Why a language-trip

- You will expand your initial working chances on the international scene
- √ Immersion in the culture and language, fostering your intercultural understanding
- √ Intensive curses lead to consolidation of your basic Spanish skills and allow you to aim to pass higher recognized levels (DELE)
- √ The holiday-factor: there is always time (a lot) for fun, relax and experiences!
- √ You probably will do long-lasting contacts and friends. Networking!
- √ Positive memories reinforce the motivation to continue and deepen the learning of Spanish.



# plunge in the Spanish language and culture!

### Why VILLABREMEN?

- V Your personal advisor in Germany, from your first questions to after the trip feedback.
- V Your local coordinator (in Spain) speaks English, German and certainly Spanish and will be on-call 24x7
- √ Devise: immersion! you will experience Spain and Spanish very close.
- √ You will work in small motivating groups (6-9 pax)
- √ Lessons (and activities) level will be adapted to yours.
- √ You will interact with locals, a lot:
  - Paella eating is nice... learning how to cook it with a maestro paellero, much better
  - Our pedagogic surprises: midday-mother®, street-lessons® and gossip-friends
  - You will practice our sports, listen to our music and dance our dances
  - Our locals will show you and take you to places and events that scape to 99% of the tourists.

**Bonus**: free access to our *Sprachcafés* and *Musik-Sprachcafés* in authentic spanish restaurants (only in Bremen for the moment)

Villabremen-Sprachcafés! in cooperation with:







# VILLABREMEN's pedagogic concepts

In VILLABREMEN we recognize the power of the episodic memory and we develop our programs in a way that what you learn, stays in the long term memory. The experiences help to interiorize a language. By mixing the following elements, we make you hop in our flow.



«I was confronted with the language, and was brave to talk to strangers. Funny and enriching for my language skills!» Anna Shmvhovska, 32

### Straßenunterricht®

Goal: the skills you just acquired in theory, apply them immediately! In small groups, you go out on the street, in the groceries etc and just approach the locals ©.

Our teacher will stay around and help you guys to overcome comfort zones. Experience the authentic daily life. What you apply in real stays with you much longer.



«Many practical examples, games just what we need to apply» Mario Buljevic, 42

#### Lesson

Promised: they will be only few ©, but with classical board and chalk, the teacher convevs some needed basics about topics to be applied later (e.g. Gastronomy). Classes are modern and dvnamic.

and dynamic. No useless rare words: All our partner-schools are Cervantescertified.

### Leisure

You will plunge in our world, history, music, sport, food and insider events. You will have core activities and additional voluntary ones.

All will be adapted to the age of your group and we are open to satisfy specific interests!



«We experienced authentic moments that the

### Mittagsmutter®

She will show you how a middle class regular family looks like. She will share her everyday with you.

But the best part is: she will cook for you amazingly tasty. Local traditional food, the old school. Our army of Mittagsmutter represent with pride the Spanish and Valencia cuisine



«Mari Luz cooks celestial. She is the embodiment of the word NICE. We leant the most with her.» Anja Meyer, 52

«It's amazing how quicker you assimilate new words when they are embedded in a song you know and like. Tons of fun. No, you don't need an Opera voice!.» Mario Buljevic, 42

### Musik-Sprachcafé

We take popular songs, slice them and work with the text, and then.. we sing together!

Your inhibitions stay at home ©





### **Gossip-friends**

The idea: we set up a gathering of 2 locals and 2 of you (aprox same age). Interact, talk, play, drink beer, no pressure. If you guys get along, agree a second meeting!

We are excited to show you guys our Spanish world. We know is fun. And we know how to convey it to you. You will have a long lasting unforgettable time here.

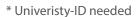


### **Key data**

- √ Program exclusively for students\*
- √ Levels: A1, A2
- √ Duration: 9 days, 8 nights
- √ When: you guys decide when
- √ Minimum participants: 6
- √ Global price:







# **Lessons & Support**

- √ Academy ist Cervantes-certified
- √ 10 hours Spanish lessons
- √ All needed material inclusive
- V All free time activities with experienced monitor
- √ 24/7 local coordinator for emergencies.
- √ Help in the check-in



### **Full immersion**

- √ 2 hours of *Straßenunterricht*®, real fun!
- √ Welcome-dinner and Farewell event
- V Insider Event: 1.5 hour with folk band Tuna
- V Insider place: Casal Fallero with locals and bbq
- √ Musik-Sprachcafé
- √ Welcome-bag

### Leisure & fun

- √ Approx 24 hours leisure program!
- √ Paella-cooking course, mega fun!
- √ City tours and tapas Rallies
- √ Entrance and logistic
- V Valencian key places: Albufera, CaC ...

# 8 nights in modern central Youth Hostel

### River Hostel: socialize in the heart of the city

Valencia is the main destination of Erasmus students of all Spain. Our fully renovated Hostel is located in the heart of the historic center, just 4 minutes from the emblematic Cathedral. In addition, our location in the park of the Antique Turia's River connects us directly with the major tourist attractions like the City of Arts and Sciences.

We have a large kitchen, and the best common areas. Enjoy with your friends and other travelers the local products in our bar, with a projector to play PlayStation, watch movies and sports. We also offer fun and free activities to enjoy your stay without spending much.

The views are wonderful and our rooms are spacious and comfortable to make you feel like home!!

A dedicated dorm will be booked for your group. Breakfast-buffet is included.

http://riverhostelvalencia.com/en/

# Flights

The flights are <u>not</u> included in the price.

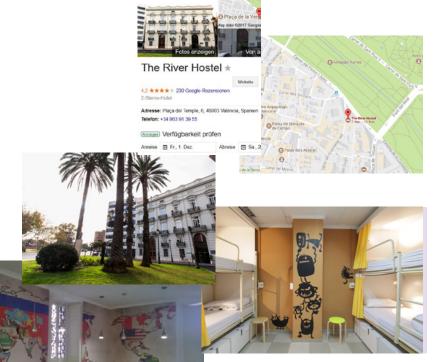
RYANAIR has following direct flights to Valencia (VLC):

- √ Düsseldorf Weeze
- √ Berlin Schönefeld
- √ Frankfurt Hahn
- √ Frankfurt International
- √ Köln
- √ Hamburg

#### More options from Bremen:

- V Ryanair BRE-ALC (Alicante is 200 km away; bus to Valencia: 25 €)
- V Lufthansa: BRE-FRA-VLC (<200 € if you book with time)





We can orient you with the flight options but remember: you book the flights yourself.

#### Please consider:

- √ For non EU Citizens, refer to your embassy to see what applies to Spain
- √ For the legal stuff, refer to our Terms and conditions on the Website

#### Transfers:

- V airport is just 11 km from the Hostel. Transfer is not included: just take a cab 3-4 of you you will come out by 4-5 €) each. Is not worth to take Metro & bus.
- $\lor$  If you arrive to a different aiport, ask us for transfer options.

# Calendar

#### Day 1, Saturday

#### **Arrivals, Transfer & check-in**

Our Team will help you on site



19:00 Welcome-dinner



with short orientation walk and a welcome drink

### Day 2, Sunday

11:00 - 13:00 Center detailed visit



With entrance to the Cathedral and be prepare to climb the main Tower!

#### Day 3, Monday

09:20 - 12:00 Spanish Lesson



13:00 Mercado Central (optional)



19:00 - 21:00 Tapas-rally and *quintos*-tour



We will show you our quintos culture

### Day 4, Tuesday

10:00 - 12:00 Bike-tour: *huerta de chufas* 



Hit: our refreshing drink Horchata

17:00 Univeristy

We have many leisure places in the our Uni:)



19:00 Pádel-Tennis



The super Hit in Spain, dynamic and funny sport for everybody

### Day 5, Wednesday

09:20 - 12:00 Spanish Lesson



12:45 Small Flamenco-Show



13:00 - 16:00 Paella cooking course



A maestro paellero will show you the whole process.

# Calendar

#### Day 6, Thursday

#### 10:00 -12:30 Straßenunterricht®



17:30 Museo Fallero

You will learn about our *Fallas*, the world famous festivities of Valencia.



19:00 - 21:00 Visit: Ciudad de las Artes y Ciencias



The legendary and world famous legacy of Santiago Calatrava

### Day 7, Friday

09:20 - 12:00 Spanish Lesson

12:30 -13:30



19:00

Insider place: Casal Fallero

We take you where tourist dont have access: *Casal Fallero*. Dinner: a bbq of *embutido*.



21:00 Folk music insider show: *Tuna* 



You experience here authentic moments

### Day 8, Saturday

11:00 - 17:00 Excursion to the *Albufera* (optional)



In this unique Natural park, the paella rice is cultivated. Boat trip and paella included



19:00 Farewell-event (optional)



The final relaxed time to make a balance of the week.

### Day 9, Sunday

#### **Transfers & Flights**

Our team on site will help you





# **Detail of included services**

#### Detail of the services included in the price:

- √ 10 hours of Spanish lesson
- √ From those, 2 hours of Straßenunterricht®
- √ 8 nights of Youth hostel
- √ Paella cooking course
- √ Flamenco show
- √ Bike tour around the Huerta (2 h)
- √ General walking tour center (2 h)
- √ Musical insider event Tuna (1.5 h)
- √ Insider Valencian place: Casal Fallero with bbq (3 h)
- √ Musik-Sprach-Café
- √ Check-in help
- √ Welcome-dinner
- √ Tapas Rally tour (2 h)
- √ Fallas Museum (1 h)
- √ CaC visit (2 h)
- √ Univeristy visit (1.5 h)
- √ Paddel- tennis game (1.5 h)
- √ For all mentioned activities: logistic, entrance, all expenses of the guide

#### Following services are optional:

- V Excursion to *Albufera*: bus, boat trip, guide, original Paella (4 St.): 35 €
- √ Tapas in the *Mercado Central*: up to you



# Team on-site



#### Juan Clavel

Juan studied Economy in the University of Valencia. Juan has a passion for music, sports and languages. He deepended his German knowledge with a 1 year stay in Austria, where he was positively surprised of the local culture. Juan is a well-travelled person.

Actually he works for Ford in Valencia and coordinates as well the VILLABREMEN programs: he has still big fun interacting with foreign.

Tasks: main program coordinator and guide in Valencia.

Languages: German, Spanish, English

#### María Palanca

Born in Valencia, Maria studied Spanish Philology and has 12 years experience as Spanish teacher, seven from them as lead of the language department of the academy Hispania.

Tasks: Spanish teacher for Villabremen Valencia.

Languages: Spanish and English.



# Academy

### Our partner-academy in th heart of Valencia

The VILLABREMEN Partner in Valencia is the awarded academy Hispania. The school is central and belongs to the network of Cervantes-certified.

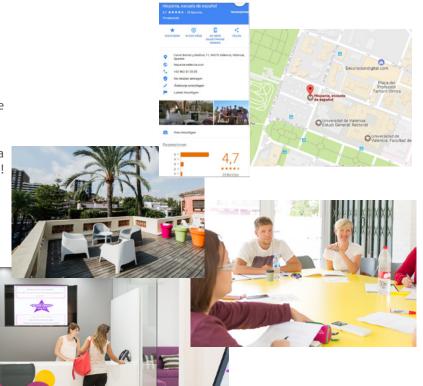
Modern, light-filled, Wi-FI, chill-areas, with a fantastic terrace, the school is not only a studying center but also a hub to meet new international people. Hispania organizes other weekly free time activities that you can also join!

#### www.hispania-valencia.com

 $\lor$  For all the activities in the calendar, the meeting point by default is here.









# **VALENCIA PROGRAM FOR ERASMUS - 2018**

### **JANUAR**

12 13 14 (20) 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

## **FEBRUAR**

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### SEPTEMBER

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### **OKTOBER**

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### **NOVEMBER**

3 (10) 11 16 17 18 (24) 25 23 28 29 30 31

### **DEZEMBER**

8 15 20 21 22 23 26 27 28 29 30 31

POSSIBLE STARTING DATE

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# Safety first: the legal stuff

Safety first. VILALBREMEN is going to offer you fun and action, and we are bound to inform you about the risk-covering options. We have analyzed the providers and we present you here some recommendations

#### **European Health Card (EHIC)**

Each EU citizen\* has the right to basic medical assistance inside the EU. Please check with your Health insurance provider to get the so called EHIC (European health insurance card). Take it with you all the times in Spain.

\* for non EU-citizens please ask your health insurance provider

#### Liability Insurance (Haftpflichtversicherung)

This insurance is not mandatory but desirable. It would cover the costs derived of a bike accident, or any damage that you provoke to third persons. Please check before the trip if you have such insurance.



### Travel Health insurance (Reisekrankenversicherung)

The a.m. EHIC covers basic assistance (in Germany the GOA lists in detail what is covered and to which extend and what not). Basically, even inside the EU, if you have an accident, some costs can land on your side. To avoid this, there are many providers that, for a small amount, cover the gap. We have found the provider Signal Iduna to be a very good choice.



#### In this link you can find details and book the insurance.

Tip: depending how often you travel, it can be wise to get a whole year.



#### Travel cancelation insurance (Reiserücktritts- und Reiseabbruchversicherung)

This insurance would cover the costs if, for force majore, you cant attend the trip or during the trip you have to abort it. We have found the provider Signal Iduna to be a very good choice. The cost is around 3-5% of the total cost of the trip.



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# **Booking**

#### Follow this steps:

- 1. Go to the Program-page (see below) and click on regsiter, fill out the formulaire.
- 2. Put your preferred date (best thing is that you talk about it in your Erasmus community, so that the bulk of the group already decide a preferred date).
- 3. Once the group is confirmed you receive from us a Trip confirmation (Reisebestätigung)
- 4. Then you will proceed to the payment\*
- 5. Just before the trip, you will receive a check-list, so that you wont forget anything basic.
- 6. Fertig, vamos a España!!

www.villabremen.de/valencia-erasmus



# Bildungskosten

If you do tax declaration in Germany, you can possible deduct the costs of the trip as formation-costs (*Bildungskosten*)

Please address you tax-advisor for this. VILLABREMEN can prepare for you all needed invoices, etc.



# **Testimonials**

«We could immerse in the Spanish daily life, Spaniards are open and friendly, yes, cliché and real too! Sevilla tiene un color especial © » Mario Buljevic, 42

«We experience authentic moments that the regular tourist don't get hold on» Ina Scheiwe, 48

«it's amazing how quicker you assimilate new words when they are embedded in a song you know and like. Tons of fun. No, you don't need an Opera voice!»

Mario Buljevic, 42



«Many practical examples, games and dynamic. No useless rare words: just what we need to apply.»
Ralf Bartels, 58

«A real experience with the midday-mother; we plunge in her daily routines, she explained everything! our mama even played guitar and castanets!!» Mitko Petrov, 34

Pics and video Highlights: www.villabremen-sprachreisen.de/media

<sup>\*</sup> As per our Terms & Conditions (AGB), full payment must be done 3 weeks prior the trip

#### **About VILLABREMEN**

All levels and ages are welcome.

VILLABREMEN is a German-based you will have your space for experimenting. organizer of language trips, in The local coordinator is a safety net that concrete, we are specialists in Spain. speaks Spanish English and German for any eventuality.

We show you more than the language, You are on the spotlight: before the trip, a pedagogic concepts will reinforce touch (FB, events, Sprach-Cafes...). you learning (Straßenunterricht®, Mittagsmutter®, Gossips-Freunde...) Become part of eh VILLABREMEN

you will plunge in our world. Fun personal advising phase, no unanswered is our devise. You will meet locals, questions; during the trip: an experiencedtalk to locals, eat where locals, join packed roller coaster. After the trip: tell us local events. Specially developed your feedback!. We have means to stay in

In the target cities, experienced guide& fun! coordinators will orient you. And we mean ORIENT, because you won't be patronized,

community, we are here to learn having

PS: Did you know, that VILLABREMEN organizes as well trips to other cities of Spain: Barcelona, Sevilla

As a second-time traveler you will have a discount. As well if you bring alone more friends. See our Website for details and last version of the travel booklet.





Not convinced? then scan the OR-Code and see our promo Film







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