### The University of Puerto Rico

The University of Puerto Rico was founded in 1903 as a public institution of higher education. Since its foundation the University has responded to the social, cultural and professional needs of Puerto Ricans. It is a system comprised of eleven campuses and other institutional units, administered by a president and a governing board.

The Río Piedras campus is located on a 289 acre area north of San Juan, the capital of the island. This campus is the largest in the university system, not only in student population, but also because of its academic offerings. It is within walking distance of the Río Piedras town market, shopping areas, local bookstores, and easily accessible to public transportation.





#### Interdisciplinary and Multicultural Institute

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# **Spanish and Puerto Rican Culture**

Come to Puerto Rico, our Caribbean Paradise! Experience the natural beauty, historical, and cultural wealth of our island, while you study the language and enjoy our people's hospitality!

## **Program Description and Content**

This program is designed to increase participants' ability to communicate in all aspects of the Spanish language, as well as to enhance their understanding of Puerto Rican cultural patterns.

#### Courses:

- 1. **Spanish for Non-Native Speakers** (3crs). In five levels: Basic I, Basic II, Intermediate I, Intermediate II and Advanced.
- 2. Puerto Rican Literature and Linguistics (3crs). Only for students already fluent in the language, specifically graduate students and professionals. This course presents an overview of the Spanish language in Puerto Rico and the Caribbean, as well as an introduction to island literature.
- 3. **Spanish Composition** (3crs). For advanced Spanish students only. This course emphasizes the morpho-syntactic structures of the Spanish language and their application for composition. Special emphasis is given to the intricacies of Spanish grammar.
- 4. **Spanish Conversation** (1crs.). For beginners and intermediate students. Intensive course in spoken Spanish, designed to give the student fluency in the use of idiomatic, everyday language, as well as a comprehensive, practical vocabulary.

5. Society and Culture in Puerto Rico (3crs). An overview of island culture that explores its history, arts, folklore, ecology, economics, geography and politics. The course is designed as a series of lectures and workshops in each field and integrated with field trips and cultural activities.

In addition to traditional classroom instruction, weekly field trips, workshops, and cultural activities are built into the program to enhance learning and to allow students to become better acquainted with some of the most important features of Puerto Rican culture and landscape. The program also includes the opportunity to participate in additional field trips and social and cultural activities.

Previous programs have included trips to the Puerto Rico Art Museum, the Camuy Caverns, El Yunque Rain Forest, Hacienda la Esperanza in Manatí, Hacianda Buena Vista in Ponce, Old San Juan, Luquillo Beach, Bioluminescent Bay, meetings with local authors and artists, and bomba and plena music workshops.

\* Placement in Spanish courses will be subject to the results obtained on the placement test given by the faculty.

#### **Educators' Discount**

All educators who bring groups of 7 or more students will benefit from reduced fees.

#### Costs:

1. Spanish and Puerto Rican Culture Program	\$2,500.00
2. Spanish Program (1,3,4)	\$2,500.00
3. Spanish Class (3credits)	\$2,000.00
4. Society and Culture Class (3credits)	\$2,000.00

Course offerings are subject to the number of students registered (minimum of 7 students required per class)

## The price includes:

- Registration & Placement Test
- · Course(s) & Materials
- · Official Credits
- · Airport Transfers only on

May 26/June 21 (first session) and June 24/July 21 (second session)

- · Housing at Plaza Universitaria (double accommodation)
- · Field Trips
- · Welcome and Farewell Activities
- · Administrative Expenses
- · Use of Campus Facilities
- · Coordinator

# Additional charges:

Book(s)	\$25.00 per course
Additional Spanish Conversation Class	\$400.00 per course
Housing at Plaza Universitaria	\$150.00 single room
*Meal Plan (breakfast & lunch weekdays)	\$250.00 per person

## **Deposit:**

There is a \$400.00 non-refundable deposit, deductible from the total amount charged. You must send us notice of interest by the **established deadline of:** 

April 15, 2015 (First Session) May 15, 2015 (Second Session)