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About IFES

"It is the nature of the human being to seek the truth... Such a truth—vital and necessary as it is for life—is attained not only by way of reason but also through trusting acquiescence to other persons who can guarantee the authenticity and certainty of the truth itself" (Fides et ratio, 33).

Our vocation at the “Edith Stein” Institute of Philosophy is to live by this principle as fully as possible. The above words describe the tasks of an academic institution, such as investigation or teaching, as a quest for truth and its due communication to others. In this sense, our small community of kindred spirits regards academic responsibilities as more than just a virtuous activity; we aim to give an inspiring testimony to the Christian way of life.

The “Edith Stein” Institute of Philosophy is an institution of higher education established by the Archbishop of Granada, Msgr. Javier Martínez, on the feast of St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein) in 2005 for the purpose of applying the ideas of St. John Paul II’s Encyclical Letter Fides et Ratio in the Spanish and, more specifically, Andalusian contexts.

In order to make the philosophical and theological background of the Magisterium of St. John Paul II our own and adapt it to the cultural and spiritual horizons of our contemporary world, we invite students and fellow professors to the intellectual journey of reconsidering the rich traditions of the Church. Thus, our Centre is open to a wider audience, including Eastern Christian thinkers, both Byzantine and Slavic (such as V. Soloviev and N. Berdyaev), as well as Middle Eastern Christian philosophers and theologians, who work primarily in Syrian, Armenian and Arabic.

The work of the Institute is inspired by the outstanding figures of Western Christian thought, especially St. Augustine and St. Thomas Aquinas. The latter is especially important because his thinking shows a keen awareness of the consistency of the created order without doubting the realities of revelation, redemption or grace. We engage with these figures especially along the lines of the ressourcement encouraged by theologians such as Henri de Lubac and Hans Urs von Balthasar.

In alliance with the Pontifical University of John Paul II, we have a special commitment to systematically explore and promote the ideas of St. John Paul II in their continuity with the Magisterium of both Benedict XVI and our Holy Father, Pope Francis. Our Centre has close relationships with different Latin American cultural and academic centres. We seek to serve as a bridge between Europe and that part of the Church, which is endowed with uniquely relevant experiences.

Beyond Borders
Our Institution has technical facilities that enable us to broadcast video conferences over the Internet and thus engage in international teaching and research activities. It is an honor for us to rely on the dedicated work of several outstanding visiting professors.
Welcome to Granada

The Edith Stein Institute of Philosophy, the Pontifical University John Paul II and the International Centre for the Study of the Christian Orient welcome international students during the Summer. This prospectus will give you all the information you need about our summer school program.

Why choose our international summer school?

FIRST RATE TEACHING AND RESEARCH

IFES is honoured to receive professors of international recognition who share their knowledge with colleges and students from all over the world.

CITY OF GRANADA - THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

Granada is a friendly city which is historical yet modern, international but with a strong community feel. Located a short drive for the mountains of Sierra Nevada and less than an hour from the Mediterranean beaches. Granada really does offer you the very best of South of Spain.

UNSURPASSED BEAUTY

The summer school takes place in Granada. The most emblematic area of the city is called the Albaycín declared in 1994 World Heritage by UNESCO.

Granada is considered one of the most beautiful cities in the world, where numerous artists, writers and travellers from all over the world have been fascinated by its beauty and charm.

At the south of Spain, with an enviable geographical location, the sea and mountains just kilometres away, the capital of western Andalusia has become a cultural reference point in Spain, and very popular with tourists.

GREAT CITY FOR SIGHTSEEING

Granada offers many churches, monasteries, abbeys to be visited and of course the Alhambra Palace and the Generalife Gardens from the 11th century and the most visited monument in Spain with more the 3 million visitors a year.

GREAT FOR CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Granada holds a wealth of sights and activities to explore. We encourage you to take full advantage of them:

City tour (Cathedral, Royal Chapel, Albaycín)
Sacromonte Abbey
Flamenco show
Arabic baths
International Music and Dance Festival in June
Beach excursions
Enjoying tapas

"The summer seminar was a fantastic experience, filled with interesting lectures, bright students, and wonderful support staff. Granada is a beautiful city, filled with many historical sites, cafe-lined streets, and good food. I can’t wait to go back!"

THOMAS PILLION, USA
June 2018

"Granada is Spain's most valued treasure: a melting pot of flavours, smells and passion."

Victor Hugo
Granada City

Granada is one of the most attractive places to live and study in Spain, offering a vibrant mix of the historic and modern.

Granada is located at the foot of the Sierra Nevada mountains, at the confluence of four rivers, the Beiro, the Darro, the Genil and the Monachil. It sits at an average elevation of 738 m (2,421 ft) above sea level, yet is only one hour by car from the Mediterranean coast, the Costa Tropical.

A vibrant community, Granada has excellent shops, supermarkets, restaurants, programmes of performing arts and other cultural events and entertainment, with the spectacular International Festival of Music and Dance in June.

CITY OF LITERATURE

On 1 December 2014 Granada was officially granted membership of the UNESCO Creative Cities Network (UCCN) in the Literature category.

The Alhambra, a Moorish citadel and palace, is in Granada. It is the most renowned building of the Andalusian Islamic historical legacy with its many cultural attractions that make Granada a popular destination among the touristic cities of Spain.

The Almohad influence on architecture is also preserved in the Granada neighborhood called the Albaycin with its fine examples of Moorish and Morisco construction. Granada is also well-known within Spain for the University of Granada which has about 80,000 students spread over five different campuses in the city.

POPULAR ERASMUS DESTINATION

Granada has become one of the favourite Spanish destinations for Erasmus students. Every year, close to 2,000 students from different European countries choose Granada for their Erasmus stay.

DIGITAL INNOVATION HUB

The OnGranada Tech City cluster has been recognized and included in the catalogue of the 'Digital Innovation Hub' (DIH), which aims to increase the competitiveness of the industry through digital technologies and it is the highest European recognition of innovative ecosystems.

"Summer school was a brilliant mix of engaging philosophical discussions and the splendid beauty of Granada’s culture, flavoured with friendly and open-minded people. However, what impressed me most were the deep and unexpected insights presented at the summer school and conference by highly professional and charismatic speakers.
I would definitely recommend this vivifying experience!"
DOMANTAS MARKEVIČIUS - Vilnius University - Lithuania
June 2018

"Every inquisitive traveller keeps Granada in his heart, without having even visited it."
William Shakespeare
Centrally Located

Granada is easy to get to. Many cities across the globe fly directly to Granada or Málaga which is one hour away.

Should you want to travel further during your summer in Granada, students can choose from either Granada or Malaga airport to take flights direct to Europe (around two hours to most destinations and a large selections of international destinations).

The recent growth in the number of budget airlines has ensured that it is now affordable to reach Spain with many European destinations, with prices direct to Europe as cheap as 60 Euros return.

Direct flights to Granada from Milan, Paris and London and to Malaga from many European cities such as Krakow, London, Amsterdam, Brussels, Berlin, Frankfurt, Athens, Budapest, Dublin, Rome, Venice, Bologna, Prague, Copenhagen, Oslo, Warsaw, Bratislava, Stockholm, etc.

The truth is, that I'm beginning to wonder if there is any greater pleasure in life than visiting Granada.... and it is going back and visiting it again. "Alejandro Dumas"
International Summer School & Conference

IFES International Summer School and Conference is open to graduate, PhD Students as well as postdoctoral researchers from around the world. The broad programme means you can sample student life at the Centre of Granada. IFES Summer School is run by a dedicated team who will help you in anything you need since your arrival.

The programme fee includes all tuition costs, your own private room with bathroom, a comprehensive orientation and social programme.

ORIENTATION

At your arrival we provide a comprehensive dossier to all students, including practical information such as a calendar of the course, timetable of your classes and considerable information about the city.

STUDYING ABROAD

Studying abroad is a great experience. During your time here will be many opportunities to explore and experience, Granada and Spanish Culture. IFES course provides an excellent opportunity to enhance your studies, develop an international experience prospective all while sharing this experience from participants from all over the world.

"It has been a great opportunity to establish new contacts and to reflect about issues important for our society. The environment of Granada and the warmth of organizers and participants have made easier the effort of thinking, talking and also writing."
ELENA ALVAREZ - International University of La Rioja - Spain June 2018

"I cannot think of another event which provides such a combination of effervescent ethos and high intellectual standards as the IFES International Summer School and Conference in Granada."
JOHN MIDBANK - University of Nottingham - England June 2018

CLASSES

Seminars will be held from Monday to Thursday, from 10 am - 2 pm. (4 hours a day).

You’ll have 4 seminars daily as well as have the chance to take part in a range and cultural activities with your fellow students and professors.

You can also participate and attend a 3-day International Congress at the end of the summer course.

Both classes and conference will be held this year at the centre of the Edith Stein Institute of Philosophy located at Paseo de Cartuja, 49 (5 minutes walking distance to the hotel).

"Granada is the perfect dream and fantasy, forever ineffable... Granada will always be more malleable than philosophical, more lyric than dramatic."
Federico García Lorca
Seminars/Classes

The Classes/Seminars are offered from Monday to Thursday, 4 hours a day. The programme dates have been designed to enable you to take advantage of social events and enjoy the summer.

**BLOCK 1: 23-28 JUNE 2019**
International Summer School

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**BLOCK 2: 27-30 JUNE 2019**
International Conference

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**BLOCK 1 & 2: 23-30 JUNE 2019**
International Summer School and Conference

If you choose to attend just the seminars and courses you will have a five day programme of classes from Monday to Thursday.

OR

If you choose to attend the International Conference you will have a three day intensive programme.

OR

If you choose to combine the two of them you will have a seven day intensive programme.

Each block is assessed in a different way.

A certificate of IFES Summer School will be provided at the end of the Summer School and if you have presented a paper you will receive a certificate as well.

“Every city has its own charm, but Granada has its own and that of the rest”.

Antonio Machado
Programme Details

IFES fees are flexible depending on how many days you stay. The fees include all your costs whilst you are in Granada attending the International Summer School.

The programme fees include:

- All tuition fees
- Room and board. Accommodation in a private room with bathroom at a 4 star hotel in Granada.
- Comprehensive orientation programme, beginning before you arrive and continuing upon your arrival.
- Cultural activities

“The 2018 Summer School - ‘Economy of Desire’ was a deeply enriching experience for me. It was stimulating and thought provoking. It gave me a great deal to think about for my professional life along with my personal life. The setting is perfect for the school to allow the space and contemplation necessary. The people who gather together are from such diverse backgrounds and contribute to the collective thinking and sharing that makes this event so rewarding”.

DR. MICHAEL CONCANNON
University of Huddersfield - England
JUNE 2018

PROGRAMME FEES AND APPLICATION DEADLINES

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* Early payment discount. Payments must be made before 1st May

SCHOLARSHIP FUND
A limited number of scholarships are available for students from CEE countries who demonstrate academic excellence and financial need.

“I do not know what to call this land upon which I stand. If what is beneath my feet is paradise, then what is the Alhambra? Heaven?” Lope de Vega
Accommodation

You will stay in a 4 star hotel, near the heart of the city, with your own private room and bathroom. You will be able to enjoy a beautiful outdoor swimming pool and a hot tub on the top floor.

Breakfast, lunch and dinner buffet will be served at the restaurant to ensure that all your needs are satisfied. The possibility of sharing a room with somebody else will be also available upon request.

“My eyes filled with tears; not tears of sorrow nor of happiness, but of fulfilment of a quiet, hidden life in Granada”.

Miguel de Unamuno
Application Information

REQUIREMENTS

In order to participate in the IFES International Summer School you should submit:

* A letter of intent
* Your CV

If you would like to present a paper for the Conference (besides participating in the Summer School), please also send an abstract (400 words) on a topic related to the theme.

For more information and the IFES Application, visit: www.institutoifes.es

BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

Final details about orientation and other useful information will be sent to you. This will be emailed to you in the weeks following receipt of your Acceptance Form.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND ADVICE

IFES works with a number of partners who are happy to assist you

Contact details are provided on page 12. IFES members of the International Summer School team are also happy to assist you throughout the application process (secretaria@institutoifes.es).

"Granada is one of the most fascinating cities in the world, and its geographical location must also be added to its rich heritage." William Shakespeare
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