

WELCOME TO

LAS PALMAS

Welcome to **Language Campus Gran Canaria.**

With this guide you'll learn more about our programmes, how to get around the city, things to do and must-see attractions, accommodation options and cost of living. Explore a world of possibilities in the city with the best climate in the world!

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OUR SCHOOL

10 REASONS TO STUDY HERE

- ◆ Located in the heart of the **most populated city of the Canary Islands**
- ◆ Top international partners in the educational area: **Trinity College London, Oxford University Press, Cambridge English, SIELE, Kaplan & LAL**
- ◆ Official Oxford Test of English **exam preparation and test centre** and Cambridge Exams preparation centre
- ◆ **Flexible** schedules and **customised** course offers
- ◆ **Qualified and experienced teachers**
- ◆ One of the **top holiday destinations in Europe**
- ◆ One of the top destinations for **outdoor activities and sports** in Europe
- ◆ Easy access to other islands (**Tenerife, Lanzarote, Fuerteventura, Cape Verde, etc.**)
- ◆ One of the **lowest living costs in Europe**
- ◆ **Very low crime rate**



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SCHOOL INFORMATION

◆ **SCHOOL DIRECTOR**

Karina Mucciaccito

◆ **ACADEMIC COORDINATOR**

Petra Mundy

◆ **TOTAL NUMBER OF TEACHERS**

20+

◆ **LANGUAGES TAUGHT**

Spanish, English, French, Italian, Portuguese, German, Russian, Chinese

◆ **TEACHER QUALIFICATIONS**

All our teachers are highly qualified: degree + CELTA or equivalent. Some also hold the higher level DELTA, PGCE or MA in applied linguistics or MFL

◆ **NUMBER OF BUILDINGS**

1

◆ **NUMBER OF FLOORS**

1

◆ **SURFACE AREA**

300 m²

◆ **SCHOOL FACILITIES**

Air conditioning, Wi-Fi, computer & screen in every classroom, projector in one classroom, student lounge with computers

◆ **OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED**

International health insurance

METHODOLOGY

1

LEVEL ASSESSMENT

We assess your language level with a simple test. You can also test your level online for free at idiomasgc.com/test

2

PERSONALISED PROGRAMME

We identify your goals with you and choose the best path.

3

ASSISTANCE

We assist you every step of the way to ensure maximum results.

4

CERTIFICATION

You receive a certificate of your language level at the end of your programme.



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OUR LEVELS

Language Campus offers 12 Spanish levels and 17 English levels. Reach the next level after 50 hours.

	Common European Framework Levels	Spanish Language Campus levels (50 hours per level)	English Language Campus levels (50 hours per level)	Official Spanish Certifications	Official English Certifications
A1	BASIC Basic phrases construction, or not previous contact with the language	A1.1 A.2	A1.1 A1.2	DELE: A2 level SIELE: 140-276.96 points	TOEIC: 0-100
A2	ELEMENTARY Comprehension and use of phrases and simple structures	A2.1 A2.2	A2.1 A2.2	DELE: A2 level SIELE: 277-458.96 points	Cambridge: KET IELTS: <3 TOEFL iBT: <25 TOEIC: 101-150 OTE (Oxford Test of English)
B1	INTERMEDIATE Situational comprehension, limited creative and interactive capacity	B1.1 B1.2	B1.1 B1.2 B1.3 B1.4		Cambridge: PET BEC: Preliminary IELTS: 4-5 TOEFL iBT: 26-55 TOEIC: 151-400 OTE (Oxford Test of English)
	OFFICIAL EXAMS PREPARATION	PE.B1	PE.B1	DELE: B1 level SIELE: 459-684.96 points	
B2	UPPER-INTERMEDIATE Fluent conversation, but with limited style resoruces	B2.1 B2.2	B2.1 B2.2 B2.3		Cambridge: FCE BEC: Vantage IELTS: 5-6 TOEFL iBT: 56-85 TOEIC: 401-650 OTE (Oxford Test of English)
	OFFICIAL EXAMS PREPARATION	PE.B2	PE.B2	DELE: B2 level SIELE: 685-857.96 points	
C1	ADVANCED Clear, secure communication, comprehension of different types of texts.	C1.1 C1.2	C1.1 C1.2 C1.3		Cambridge: CAE BEC: Higher IELTS: 6-7 TOEFL iBT: 86-95 TOEIC: 651-820
	OFFICIAL EXAMS PREPARATION	PE.C1	PE.C1	DELE: C1 level SIELE: 858-1000 points	
C2	UPPER-ADVANCED Communication almost as effective as a native speaker	C2.1 C2.2	C2.1 C2.2 C2.3		Cambridge: CPE IELTS: >7 TOEFL iBT: 96-106 TOEIC: 821-990
	OFFICIAL EXAMS PREPARATION	PE.C2	PE.C2	DELE: C2 level	

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COURSES & STUDENTS

Courses provided at this school:
general Spanish, general Spanish plus, intensive Spanish, mini group, individual, business Spanish, Spanish for hospitality & tourism, DELE intensive preparation, SIELE intensive preparation, Spanish & Surf, Spanish & Cooking, Spanish & Yoga, Adventure Sports, Spanish & Dance, extensive Spanish, long-term programmes, junior summer programmes, junior full-immersion summer camps

AVERAGE NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER CLASS

Up to 8 or 15 depending on course type

SCHOOL LOCATION & TRANSPORT

Our school is in the city centre of Las Palmas and within walking distance of supermarkets, cafés & restaurants, the post office, banks and ATMs, sports centres, a hospital, different health centres and the beach.

AIRPORT TRANSPORT

Closest airport: Gran Canaria Airport (LPA or GCLP)

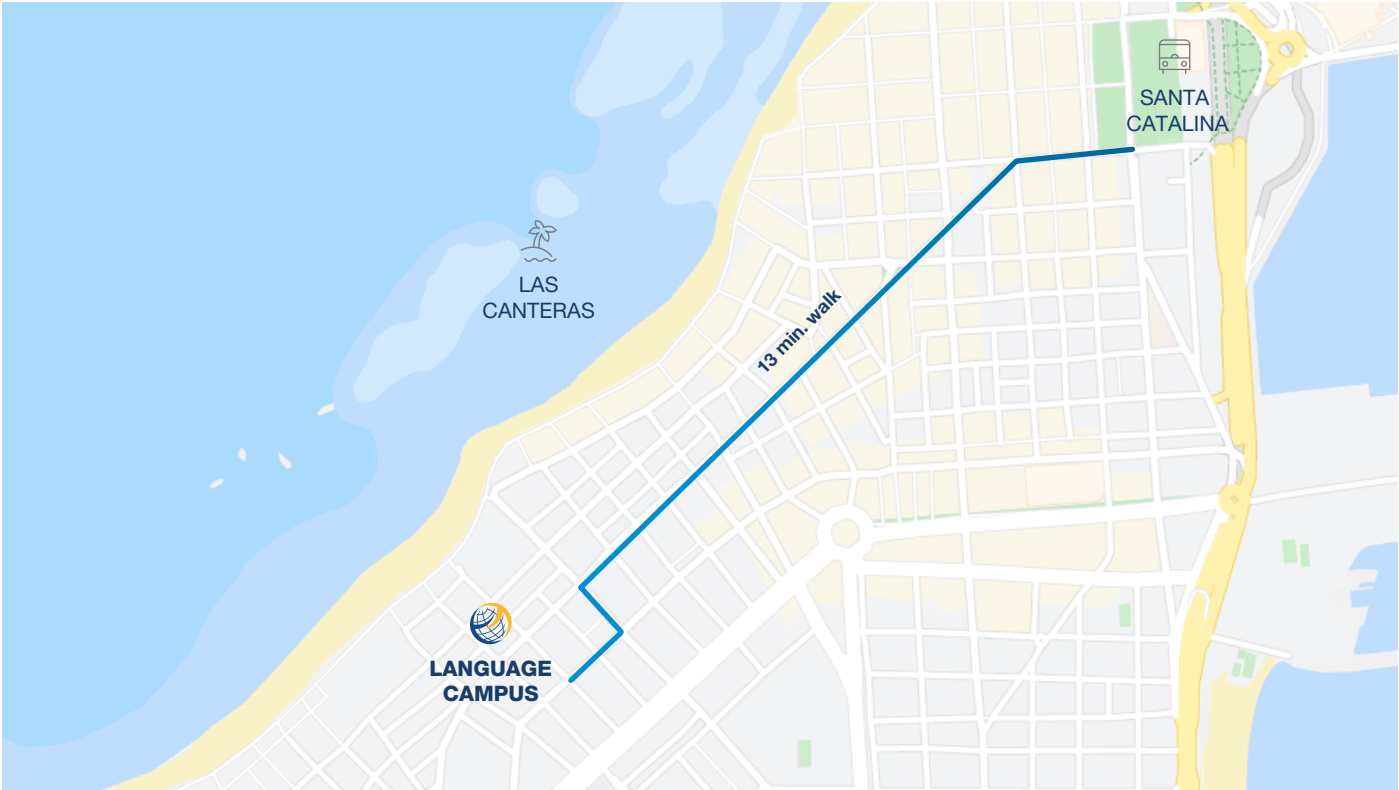
HOW TO GET TO OUR SCHOOL?

BY BUS

You will find the bus stop (line 60) as you cross the car park in front of the arrivals terminal. Walk to the right along the different stops until you see the stop for line 60 Las Palmas / Santa Catalina. Buses depart every H.15 and H.50 and cost around 3€. Buses stop at the San Telmo bus station but only the buses departing at H.15 drive all the way to the Santa Catalina bus terminal, which is closest to the school. Once you have arrived at Santa Catalina, you have a 10-minute walk to the school.

BY TAXI

If you prefer to use a taxi you will find these at the exit of the arrivals terminal. A taxi from the airport costs about **40 EUR**.



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ABOUT GRAN CANARIA

- ◆ **NAME OF ISLAND**
Gran Canaria
- ◆ **CAPITAL CITY**
Las Palmas de Gran Canaria
- ◆ **POPULATION**
846,717 (2018)



TRANSPORTATION

LAS PALMAS

Everything in the city centre is within walking distance. You can also rent a bicycle, called *Sitycleta*. If you want to go to the suburbs or the old town, you can take a bus (more information below) or taxi. (See the average costs in our living cost section).



GRAN CANARIA

To give you a rough idea of the size of Gran Canaria, the journey from the north of the island to the south is a 45-minute drive by car, which makes it very easy for you to go sightseeing and visit the numerous attractions of the island. Apart from taxis, you have two very efficient and cheap ways to travel across Gran Canaria: taking buses, called **guaguas**, and renting a car.

You can find Information about our buses and plan your routes easily on this website (available in English): <https://www.guaguas.com>

You can find information about car rentals on this website (available in multiple languages): <https://www.cicar.com/en>

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THINGS TO DO

◆ **IN LAS PALMAS**

Museo Elder (science museum), Poema Del Mar (aquarium), Paseo de Las Canteras (seaside promenade), Playa de Las Canteras (3 kilometre-long beach), Mesa y López (shopping area), Las Arenas shopping centre (includes a cinema).

You can also go to Vegueta (old town) where you can walk about and visit Casa de Colón (Columbus house), Santa Ana cathedral and square or do shopping in Triana (high street)...

◆ **NORTHERN PART OF THE ISLAND**

The coastal landscapes are breathtaking and you can visit the cities of Arucas, Teror or Galdar. There is also a famous rum factory in Arucas where you can have a guided tour and taste all their liqueurs for free.

◆ **CENTRAL PART OF THE ISLAND**

The centre of the island contains hidden gems that will blow your mind. It's ideal for hikes or to visit picturesque villages such as Tejeda or Santa Lucía. One the main attractions is the hike to Roque Nublo, a huge volcanic rock and ancient place of worship for the aborigines.

SOUTHERN PART OF THE ISLAND

The south of the island is the most touristic part of Gran Canaria. You can find numerous beaches such as Playa Amadores or Playa del Inglés but also amusement parks, boat trips (with whale and dolphin watching!), trendy hotels and of course breathtaking landscapes. Be sure to take a walk in the dunes of Maspalomas, a 5-square-kilometre protected area of stunning natural beauty.

NEARBY ISLANDS

TENERIFE

Travel time: approximately 1h50 by ferry
Price of return ticket: around 150€

FUERTEVENTURA

Travel time: approximately 2 hours by ferry
Price of return ticket: around 200€

There are scheduled flights to other islands such as Lanzarote, all the other islands of the Canaries and Cape Verde.



LIVING COST (SAMPLE PRICES):

- Bottle of water (0.33l): 0.83€
- Meal, inexpensive restaurant: 8.50€
- Meal for two, mid-range restaurant, three-course: 35€
- Local bus one-way ticket: 1.40€
- Monthly bus pass (regular price): 40€
- Cinema, International release, 1 seat: 7€
- Capuccino (regular): 1.25€
- Coke (0.33l): 1.36€
- Cigarettes 20 pack (Marlboro): 3.40€
- Bike rental (Sitycleta): 1.50€/30 min (15€/week)
- Car rental (Cicar): 30€/day
- Taxi start (normal tariff): 2.70€
- Taxi 1km (normal tariff): 0.64€

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ACCOMMODATION IN LAS PALMAS

CITY CENTRE HOTEL

Language Campus can book you a room in a nearby hotel and manage the whole booking process for you. Depending on your budget and requirements, we will find the perfect hotel for you within walking distance from our school and send you all the useful information. Here are a few examples of hotels we frequently work with:

- ◆ **BULL ASTORIA HOTEL LAS PALMAS**
<https://www.bullhotels.com/en/hotels/astoria/3-star-in-las-palmas-de-gran-canaria>
- ◆ **LEMON & SOUL LAS PALMAS**
<http://www.lemonandsoul-laspalmas.com/EN/hotel.html>
- ◆ **HOTEL CORDIAL VISTA ACUARIO**
<https://www.becordial.com/en/gran-canaria/hotel-cordial-vista-acuario/>
- ◆ **AVOCADO SURF HOSTEL**
<https://www.avocadosurfhostel.com/en/index.php>

HOLIDAY FLAT

If you wish to stay in a cosy holiday flat or share one with other students, we can fulfill your wish by booking a fully-furnished flat and manage the whole booking process. The flats are chosen according to your budget and requirements and located within walking distance from the school. You will receive an email confirming the booking and containing all the information you need.

For further information, please visit the website of the company we work with, Canarias Getaway: <https://www.canariasgetaway.com/rentals/apartments-las-palmas-de-gran-canaria-c1d912/list-view/?pagina=2>

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BULL ASTORIA HOTEL LAS PALMAS



LEMON & SOUL LAS PALMAS



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HOST FAMILY

THINGS STUDENTS NEED TO BRING

Toiletries, personal items to make your room feel like home, prescription medication, phone card, a small gift for the host family (not required but advised)

SERVICES INCLUDED

Bed linen, towels, telephone use for emergencies

EXTRA COST OF SERVICES

No

MEALS PROVIDED

Yes (depends on booking type)
18 meals per week on average

WILL THE HOMESTAY ARRANGE TO PICK UP THE STUDENT FROM THE AIRPORT?

No

TRANSPORT TO SCHOOL

Your host will help you find your way to and from school on your first day and will show you how to use public transport

WHERE ARE THE HOST FAMILIES LOCATED?

Host families are usually located in and around Las Palmas. Some can be located somewhat further but your journey to school will never exceed 45 minutes by public transportation

LAUNDRY

Students need to make sure to discuss laundry with their host family after they arrive as laundry facilities will depend on their individual homestay. If their homestay cannot provide laundry services, several launderettes are located within walking distance from the school

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