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LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD
33RD DISTRICT, CALIFORNIA

June 19, 1997

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COMMISSION
OFFICE OF GENERAL
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Re: Request for an Advisory Opinion *

FACTS

I represent a congressional district that includes a large number of non-English or limited-English speaking constituents. In my capacity as the elected Representative for the 33rd California Congressional District, I am often called upon to make presentations and respond to questions in Spanish. Speaking to my constituents in Spanish is important because it is less formal and more intimate form of communication and dispenses with the need to provide for translation services. I strongly believe that improved Spanish language fluency will enable me to be more effective and responsive to the needs of my constituents.

In order to improve my fluency in Spanish, I have identified a number of language immersion programs in the United States and Mexico specifically designed to improve fluency in a relatively short period of time. The programs typically require expenditures for travel, tuition, meals, and accomodations.

QUESTION

Is it permissible to use campaign funds to pay for all or a portion of the costs of a language immersion program offered in the U.S. or Mexico?

I would appreciate receiving an oral or a verbal response to this question as soon as possible. Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this request.

Sincerely,

Lucille Roybal-Allard

LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD
Member of Congress

* See memo dated 6-23-97,
with enclosures, to OGC.

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MEMORANDUM

**TO: BRAD LITCHFIELD, ASSOCIATE GENERAL COUNSEL
FEDERAL ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

**FROM: HENRY CONTRERAS, CHIEF OF STAFF
CONGRESSWOMAN LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD**

DATE: JUNE 23, 1997

**RE: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FOR FEC ADVISORY
OPINION ON THE USE OF CAMPAIGN FUNDS FOR
SPANISH LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION**

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Pursuant to your request, I am attaching additional information relating to a request for an Advisory Opinion dated June 19, 1997. We requested an opinion as to whether campaign funds may be used to pay for the cost of Spanish language instruction for a Member of Congress whose congressional district includes a large percentage of non-English and limited-English speaking constituents.

You requested that I provide course descriptions and cost estimates for these programs. We have explored two well reputed programs located in Monterey, California and Cuernavaca, Mexico. In both cases, we have settled upon a two-week immersion program as the most suitable option.

The estimated cost of these programs are as follows:

(1) Monterey Language Academy

Tuition: \$3,000
Airfare: \$ 133
Lodging: \$1750 to \$1,825

(2) The Center for Bilingual Multicultural Studies, Cuernavaca, Mexico

Tuition: \$510 to \$1,335 (includes registration fee, two weeks tuition, and optional executive 6 hour one-on-one tutorial)

Airfare: \$451

Lodging: \$420.

I hope that this supplemental information meets your requirements. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need any additional information.

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INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS PROGRAMS

Executive Language Training for these applications:

- Industrial
- Commercial
- Technical
- Scientific
- Financial
- Diplomatic
- Sales & Marketing
- Management

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Indonesian
Italian
Japanese
Latin
Persian/Parsi
Polish
Portuguese
Romanian
Kussian
Serbo-Croatian
Spanish
Swedish
Tagalog
Thai
Turkish
Vietnamese

American English
Arabic
Armenian
Bulgarian
Cantonese
Catalan
Chinese
Czech
Danish
Dutch
French
German
Greek
Hebrew
Hindi
Hungarian

Monterey Language Academy

200 Jefferson Street
Monterey, CA 93940

Monterey Language Academy

The *Monterey Language Academy* exists to insure your success in any and all language endeavors. We offer Foreign Language and American English instruction to business and professional individuals from the United States and abroad. The courses provide training for those who have an immediate need to learn a foreign language.

The *Monterey Language Academy* has a staff of mature and experienced teachers presenting current and relevant information. They are able to design a syllabus with your special goals and expectations in mind, drawing from the following components:

- ◆ **BASIC** A survival language course.
- ◆ **ASSERTIVE LANGUAGE TRAINING** Practice in using the language which has been learned previously.
- ◆ **BUSINESS LANGUAGE** Current international usage.
- ◆ **CUSTOMS AND CULTURE** Important factors in language development.
- ◆ **ACCENT REDUCTION** For the individual who has competency in the language, but, needs to express him/herself more clearly.
- ◆ **TECHNICAL VOCABULARY USAGE** For the intermediate to advanced student who needs a specialized course for business or professional use.
- ◆ **LANGUAGE ENHANCEMENT** An individually designed course for the advanced student to expand his/her knowledge of the grammar, literature, and lexicology of the language.
- ◆ **TRANSLATION/INTERPRETATION** A program for those who are bi-lingual, but, need to learn the skills of translation and interpretation.
- ◆ **LEGAL OR MEDICAL TRANSLATION/INTERPRETATION** A course designed to prepare for the California State Examinations.
- ◆ **SPECIAL LANGUAGE COURSES FOR:** TOEFL
Intensive weekend programs
Off-site classes

The *Monterey Language Academy* is qualified to create a time effective program for you. Our goal is to make you a successful language learner.

Monterey Language Academy

November 1, 1996

Congresswoman Roybal-Allard
255 East Temple Street
Suite 1860
Los Angeles, CA
90012


Dear Congresswoman Roybal-Allard:

Please find enclosed the information you requested about our intensive program in Spanish.

In order for the course to be designed to meet your particular needs, we ask that you complete the application form and include a brief outline of your language goals and expectations.

You are invited to visit our facility and meet with one of the faculty to discuss your program. Please call for an appointment.

Sincerely,



Doris B. Miracle
Director

Monterey Language Academy

APPLICATION FORM

Student Information

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Office Phone: _____

Residence/Phone in the Monterey Area: _____

Language Requested: _____ Start Date: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Language(s) Studied: _____

Where/When: _____

Corporate Information:

Company Name: _____

Billing Address: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Student's Position with Company: _____

Why was this student selected to receive language training? _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Monterey Language Academy

PROGRAM RATES

<u>Eight Week Program</u>	(240)
One Student:	\$12,000.00
Two Students:	\$14,400.00
Third Student:	FREE
Fourth Student:	FREE
<u>Six Week Program</u>	(180)
One Student:	\$9,000.00
Two Students:	\$10,800.00
Third Student:	FREE
Fourth Student:	FREE
<u>Four Week Program</u>	(120)
One Student:	\$6,000.00
Two Students:	\$7,200.00
Third Student:	FREE
Fourth Student:	FREE
<u>Three Week Program</u>	(90)
One Student:	\$4,500.00
Two Students:	\$5,400.00
Third Student:	FREE
Fourth Student:	FREE
<u>Two Week Program</u>	(60)
One Student:	\$3,000.00
Two Students:	\$3,600.00
Third Student:	FREE
Fourth Student:	FREE
<u>One Week Program</u>	(30)
One Student:	\$1,500.00
Two Students:	\$1,800.00
Third Student:	FREE
Fourth Student:	FREE
<u>Weekend Program</u>	(20)
One Student:	\$1,400.00
Second Student:	FREE

The numbers in the () are the number of language learning hours in each program.

Monterey Language Academy

THE MONTEREY LANGUAGE ACADEMY

The Monterey Language Academy offers year-round American English and Foreign Language instruction to business and professional individuals from the US and abroad in highly individualized courses.

THE FACULTY

The Monterey Language Academy's instructors are experienced in using the intensive training method in their language courses. They are mature, travelled, and well regarded in their field. They have taught at all levels from Survival Skills to Advanced Business courses. Their expertise enables them to assess the students' needs and focus the program accordingly.

THE COURSES

Classes are taught in two hour blocks with a ten minute break at each hour. Each two hour block is taught by a different instructor. Classes are held five days per week, six hours per day. Students are expected to spend at least three hours each night reviewing and organizing the day's lessons and preparing for the next day. A cassette recorder with a reverse mode is required. The dress code is casual at the Academy. Shorts and jeans are acceptable attire.

THE MONTEREY PENINSULA

Monterey has central California ocean weather. Quick changes in the weather often necessitate a sweater or light jacket.

An enjoyable walking tour around Monterey will give students an overview of US and California history.

The Academy may obtain Twilight (after 4:00 pm) green fees for students on selected golf courses. The cost is \$15.00.

A new and complete health club for the city of Monterey is four blocks from the Academy and available for the student's use.

The world famous Monterey Bay Aquarium is ten minutes away from the Academy.

Continuing south on Highway 1 from Monterey is the Big Sur coast road.

Monterey is a two hour drive from San Francisco.

Wine tasting tours in the Salinas Valley are a beautiful one hour drive from Monterey.

Monterey Language Academy

air fare - \$133 to Monterey
\$ 451 to Mex City

The following hotels are within walking distance of the Monterey Language Academy:

Hotel Pacific	(408) 373 5700	booked 1 room available \$1751.20
Double Tree	(408) 649 4511	booked
Marriott	(408) 649 4234	\$1825
Casa Munras	(408) 375 2411	
Monterey Motor Lodge	(408) 372 8057	

Short-term rentals can be arranged through:

San Carlos Agency	(408) 624-3846	Terry
Monterey Bay Vacation Rentals	(408) 655-7840	Barbara

Doris Miracle
Director



The Center for Bilingual Multicultural Studies

Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico

Dear Potential Student:

Thank you for your inquiry regarding the Center for Bilingual Studies in Cuernavaca, Mexico. Enclosed is our 1996 brochure which will provide you with further details regarding the Center.

The Center, considered the foremost Spanish language school in Cuernavaca, has new classes starting every Monday throughout the year. For the regular study program, students range in age from 16 to 80, and come from throughout the U.S., Canada & Europe. For the High School Program, conducted only during the summer months, students range in age from 13 to 17.

Should you decide to enroll, please complete the registration form on both sides and send it with the \$100 Registration Fee to the U.S. Office to reserve the dates you have requested. The U.S. Office can accept **ONLY** tuition payment, either by personal or company check. If you prefer to pay tuition at the Center, it must be paid in traveler's checks, pesos or dollars. The Center does **NOT** accept personal checks. Lodging **MUST** be paid to The Center in either traveler's checks or US dollars. Personal checks or credit cards are not accepted. Should a student find it necessary to cut short his/her stay at The Center, a refund will be made.

Should you be interested, we can arrange transportation from Mexico City Airport to Cuernavaca. The school's driver will meet your flight and take you directly to the Center or to the home where you will be staying. The charge is \$60 one-way, paid directly to the driver. In order for us to arrange this, we **MUST** know in advance the airline, flight number and the estimated arrival time in Mexico City.

If you need airline information, the U.S. office works with Gunderson Travel, nationwide toll free telephone (800) 899-1944, or (310) 657-3944. They will provide flight information from your city, and if you wish, make your reservation and send the ticket to you -- and they do accept credit cards.

Studying at the Center for Bilingual Studies in Cuernavaca can be an unforgettable experience. In the meantime, if you have any questions, or need additional information, we will be pleased to assist you.

Cordially,

Dorothy Furman
U.S. Director

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Enclosures

U.S. OFFICE: 3133 Lake Hollywood Dr., P.O. Box 1860, Los Angeles, CA 90078
(213) 851-3403 • (800) 426-4660 • FAX 213-851-3684

1995 / 1996 PRICES**ADVANCED SPANISH PROGRAM FOR DIPLOMATS**

With the approval of the Canadian government (External Foreign Affairs, Ottawa, Canada) we offer an advanced Spanish program for diplomats or personnel that may have future diplomatic, public or commercial business relations with Latin America.

Participants will develop the ability to interpret, translate, communicate, take part in official and private meetings, social events with a specialized vocabulary for their profession, as well as acquiring a better understanding of the Latin America culture. In addition to learning Spanish, participants also take culture, history, social-economic and political courses.

PROGRAM FOR TEACHERS AND PROFESSORS

This program is an indepth study of the language and culture. It provides a better understanding as well as a better communications ability to teachers of Spanish, with conferences emphasizing the sociology of the Mexican family and guided tours of private and public schools (elementary, junior high and high school).

PROGRAMS FOR NURSES

This program has been approved by the California State Board of Registered Nursing to offer 15 continuing education credits per week of completed classroom study. Through this total immersion program in the Spanish language and culture, the nurse develops skills that will enhance her effectiveness in dealing with Spanish speaking patients. Terminology and information specific to the medical profession is part of the curriculum. At the completion of this program, the nurse will be able to:

1. Demonstrate increased proficiency in the use of the language.
2. Use basic medical terminology in the Spanish language.
3. Discuss basic cultural differences and their application to patient/nurse care.

SEMESTER PROGRAM

For the student not able to take a semester program with a group of University students, we can design an individual semester program which can begin any Monday of the year.

ACADEMIC PROGRAM FEES

Registration Fee	100 USD
Weekly Tuition Regular Program	175 USD
Weekly Tuition Executive Program	
3 Hrs. one-on-one	500 USD
6 Hrs. one-on-one	825 USD
Books and materials (approx.)	80 USD

LODGING WITH A MEXICAN FAMILY

PLAN "AA"	Luxury - per adult/night	30 UDS
	Per child (up to 12 years old) / night	25 USD
PLAN "A"	Superior - per adult / night	22 USD
	Per child (up to 12 years old) / night	15 USD
PLAN "B"	Economic - per adult / night	15 USD
	Per child (up to 12 years old) / night	12 USD

STUDENT RESIDENCE	- Per adult / night -	25 - 50 USD
APARTMENT / BUNGALOW	- Per week -	200 to 250 USD

EXCURSIONS

Half day	12 to 18 USD
Full Day	18 to 20 USD
Ballet Folklorico tickets (approx.)	35 USD
Acapulco	3 days, 2 nights shared room (approx.)
	115 USD

TAXI TRANSFER

From Mexico City to Cuernavaca	60 USD
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CHILDREN'S SCHOOL AND BABY CARE CENTER:

Registration fee	20 USD
Weekly Tuition	70 USD

Note: The fees and charges are subject to change without prior notice.

INDIVIDUAL EXECUTIVE PROGRAM

Objective:

This program is geared toward individuals looking for an extremely accelerated program in order to familiarize themselves rapidly with the language, culture and customs of Mexico, while learning vocabulary and common practices specific to their field.

Individual Program:

This highly individualized program is designed according to the student's interests, level of Spanish and Academic and/or professional needs.

Description:

It is an intensive program with 9 hours of class per day Monday through Friday. The hours are distributed as follows:

3 hours of Individual Spanish Instruction (one on one) with highly experienced Mexican professors.

2 hours of grammar minicourse: (basic, intermediate, or advanced depending on the student's level). Or
2 hours of guided conversation.

1 hour conference of functional Spanish (focusing on situations, dialogues, etc.)

1 hour lecture on various cultural topics such as: Mexican Economy, Mexican Society and Industry, Mexican Press, etc.

2 hours of Cultural minicourses on different topics such as:
Mexican History, Literature, Traditions, Art, Ethnic Groups, Politics, etc.

It is a total of 45 hours of class per week, which includes 15 hours of individual instruction. The program of individual instruction is designed to meet the specific needs of the student. The number of hours of individual instruction may be increased in accordance with the desires of the student.

Recommended Stay:

Based on our experience with the Executive Program, we suggest a minimum stay of two weeks.

Client List:

The following is a partial list of the companies which regularly participate in our program:

- Caterpillar Motor Co.
- Coopers and Lybrand
- Ford Foundation
- Ford Motor Company
- General Motor Company
- Lufthansa
- R. R. Donnelly and Sons Company
- Southern Bell Telephone Company
- U. S. State Department
- Ambassadors and other diplomatic personnel from Japan, Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Germany, Canada and the U.S.
- Swiss, German, and North America Banks.

Lodging:

We recommend that students live with a Mexican family using Plan AA "Luxury" (garden, pool, private room, private bathroom, three meals per day) or Plan A "Superior" (garden, some with pool, private room, semi-private bathroom, three meals per day).

If the student prefers more private accommodations, we recommend our Student Residence, which offers all the amenities of Plan A "Superior" with the privacy of a hotel.

If students prefer other living arrangements such as a hotel or bungalow we will be happy to help make the necessary arrangements.

Other Facilities:

The student can maintain communication with his/her office by using our fax machine or telephones. There is a fee for the use of these services.

PROGRAM FOR AIRLINES AND TRAVEL AGENTS:

With this total immersion Spanish language and culture program, we offer a special airline and travel agency vocabulary as well as specific conversation. Inflight personnel from various airlines, including American, United, Air France, KLM and Lufthansa, have studied at the Center. Personnel develop a knowledge of terminology used by the airlines and gain fluency in communicating with the passengers. In addition to obtaining proficiency in Spanish, those who successfully complete their company's language requirements can better their position.



**INTENSIVE SPANISH COURSE
WEEKLY PROGRAM**

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY DAILY ACTIVITIES FROM 8 AM TO 5 PM	
3 HOURS SPANISH	Group of no more than 5 students of the same level
1 hour conference	4 OPTIONS: -Spanish for Basics (Functional Spanish) -Spanish for Intermediates (Idiomatic Expressions) -Spanish for Advanced (Specialized Vocabulary) -Culture: Audio-visual or Lecture about Art, Traditions, Folklore, Political Science, Economy, Society and much more
2 hours minicourse	7 OPTIONS: -Grammar for Basics -Grammar for Intermediates -Grammar for Advanced -History of Mexico, Political Science and Revolution in Latin America -Culture and Customs of Mexico: The Native World, Rural and Urban -Mexican Art: Painting, Sculpture, Architecture and Muralism -Mexican and Latin American Literature
2 hours optional	6 OPTIONS (DAILY): -Pronunciation Techniques -Contrast Analysis of Grammar -Cross-Cultural Training -Specific Vocabularies for Professionals (Airlines, Medicine, Legal, etc.) 9 OPTIONS (WEEKLY): -Individual (one-on-one) Language Attention -Mexican and Latin American Story Analysis -Round Table (Society, Politics, Economy, News) -Mexican Movie of Social, Cultural or literary -Latin American and Mexican songs class -Sports (Soccer, Volleyball) -Guided Visits: Hospitals, Orphanages, Businesses, Industries, Large Companies, Social Organizations -Special Classes (Guitar, Dance-Salsa, Folklore, Art) -Mexican Cooking Class (Fridays only)
All day session of 1 hour or more	3 OPTIONS: -Conversation: Small Group Participation -Laboratory: Use of Audio Material -Library: Books and Documents

FROM MONDAY TO SUNDAY - VARIOUS ACTIVITIES	
Free Time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Spanish Homework -Orientation Course (Every Saturday) -Cafe Social (Every Tuesday) -Mexican Fiesta (occasionally) with Mariachi music, traditional dances and buffet -Popular night spots (Every weekend: Live Latin American Music, Tropical, Jazz or Disco) -Outings to Cultural Events in the City
EXCURSIONS OF HISTORICAL, CULTURAL OR TURISTIC INTEREST	
Excursions Half day	<p>TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY: HALF DAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * History, Art and Culture in Cuernavaca * Tepostlan and Hacienda de Cortes * Xochicalco Ruins and Vista Hermosa Hacienda * Swimming Resorts, Lake Tequesquitengo
Excursions Full day	<p>SATURDAY AND SUNDAY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Mexico City (Monuments, Museums, Murals, Markets) * Ballet Folklorico and Museum of Anthoropology Guadalupe Basilica and Plaza of the 3 Cultures Town of Taxco (silver mining center) * Malinalco Ruins * Teotihuacan Pyramids * Volcanoes (villages of Amecameca and Popocatepetl)
Excursions Weekend	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Puebla and Cholula * Acapulco
CONVENIENCE OF LIVING WITH A MEXICAN FAMILY	
All week	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Share three meals a day with the family -Conversation with different family members -Participation in family social life -An invaluable cultural experience

Total number of hours per week:

Over 38 hours, depending on the interest of the student whom we encourage to attend the optional programs and cultural excursions.



Learn, Live & Love SPANISH

in CUERNAVACA, MEXICO



The Center for Bilingual
Multicultural Studies



1996



THE CENTER FOR BILINGUAL MULTICULTURAL STUDIES

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Cuernavaca, Morelos 62170, Mexico

MAILING ADDRESS:

Apartado Postal 1620, Cuernavaca,
Morelos, 62000, Mexico
Telephones: 17-24-88, 17-10-87, 13-04-02
OR

For further information contact our U.S. Office:

THE CENTER FOR BILINGUAL STUDIES
3133 Lake Hollywood Drive, P.O. Box 1860
Los Angeles, CA 90078
Telephone (213) 851-3403
NATIONWIDE TOLL FREE: (800) 428-4680
COMMENTS

"Mexico's best private language school."

Los Angeles Times.

"The Center is really there to be an intensive language source...but it works out to be an intensive cultural course, as well."

The Arizona Republic.

"After two weeks I left the school with a confident...command of Spanish and greater understanding of Mexico."

The Globe and Mail.

"I would recommend it as an introduction to Mexico for anyone planning to travel for any extended period."

The Houston Post.

"I have had the opportunity of attending three language schools in Mexico, and visited many others to make comparisons. The Center for Bilingual Multicultural Studies rates highest in my estimation."

Phyllis Smith, San Francisco Examiner

"The low-cost vacation/Spanish study program at the Center for Bilingual Studies in Cuernavaca, is hard to beat!"

Jerry Hulse's Travel Tips, Los Angeles Times

"Learn Spanish while vacationing! What a chance to learn as you see the historic sites and gardens in the Cuernavaca area!"

Unique & Exotic Travel Reporter

"Four weeks at the Center in Cuernavaca costs less than four days at a first-class hotel. Professional instruction while sharing the warmth of a Mexican family."

Ventura County Star-Free Press

"The teachers are fantastic and genuinely care about each student ..."

D.T., Miami, Florida

"A total group-sharing experience with people from Switzerland, Sweden, Canada, France and the United States. I enjoyed each minute of it!"

J.K., Masters, Mass.

"I liked the small classes, the campus atmosphere and the constant encouragement from the teachers."

N.N., Berkeley, Calif.

"A tremendous experience ... the best school I've ever been in!"

D.B., Paris, France

"The classes were fantastic! I enjoyed the close relationship we had with the teachers. They seemed more like friends to me than anything else. What a great way to learn!"

S.S., Cambridge, Mass.

"La mejor experiencia de mi vida!"

L.N., Stockholm, Sweden

"Outstanding ... Yes!"

M.M., Quebec, Canada

"It was so much easier to learn in Mexico than it was in the United States."

M.H., Austin, Texas

"Only sorry I can not stay longer and probably will return. No, for sure I will return!"

L.D., Palos Verdes, CA

"The dedication of the professors greatly impressed me."

M. MacD., Monte Park, Calif.

"Studying at the Center has been a great experience. Everyone at the school has been exceptionally helpful and understanding of the problems and needs of the students."

V.M., New York, N.Y.

INTENSIVE SPANISH LANGUAGE PROGRAM

The complete immersion Spanish language program offered at The Center is designed to develop conversational fluency in the shortest possible time.

- ... classroom study with no more than five students.
- ... conducted by a native instructor sworn (as you are) to speak ONLY Spanish.
- ... living with a Mexican Family.

Students who have taken The Center's Intensive Spanish Language Program come from throughout the United States, Canada and Western Europe. Those who have studied with us include:

- ★ The archaeologist studying pre-Columbian civilization.
- ★ The salesman dealing with Spanish-speaking customers.
- ★ The banker assigned to a branch in Latin America.
- ★ The teacher preparing for a bilingual assignment.
- ★ The doctor or nurse with Spanish-speaking patients.
- ★ The social worker assisting Mexican-Americans.
- ★ The retiree who wants to keep his mind active.
- ★ High school, college and graduate students.
- ★ The vacationer wanting to return with more than a souvenir.
- ★ Diplomats assigned to a Latin American country.
- ★ Flight attendants of airlines.

The Center's Intensive Spanish Language Study Program meets the individual's need for fluency regardless of the vocational / professional or / recreational field. The Center can tailor a program to a profession by emphasizing vocabulary in that particular field and arranging field trips of particular interest to a profession.



Cafeteria, three of 27 classrooms and one of four conference rooms.

TOTAL IMMERSION. This is the way you learned to speak English as a child. You were surrounded by it. You needed to communicate. You imitated what you heard. You may never have learned about grammatical struc-

ture, yet today you speak English. At The Center, language instruction is a bit more sophisticated. We "immerse" you, but we don't treat you like a child. We use a variety of instructional modes known in the teaching profession as audio-lingual, or direct techniques - structured drills, practice in everyday dialogue and role-playing. This is the same method used to train U.S. Armed Forces personnel, those in the U.S. Peace Corps and diplomatic personnel.

LANGUAGE TESTING AND PLACEMENT. Our students range from 18 to 80. (Under The High School Summer Program, the age range is 13 to 17.) Some have studied Spanish, or lived in Spanish-speaking countries, and speak it reasonably well. Others never have been exposed to the language. Because of the variance in Spanish-speaking capabilities, all students are given a brief assessment of their oral and written Spanish skills prior to being assigned to a class.

Subsequent periodic evaluations assure that each student's placement remains appropriate to his advancing level.

THE GROUP-5 SYSTEM. More than 20 years ago, the faculty of the Center developed the concept of intensive, small-group study for Spanish language instruction. No more than five students are assigned to a professor, who works on a personal basis with each student. Class sessions involve dialogue, brief written exercises and informal conversation. Sessions also involve board games which teach vocabulary, simulations of social experiences, skits which provide insight into Latin American humor and walking trips to markets and shops where students can put their Spanish to practical use. The Group-5 System draws every student into constant interaction at his or her own level of ability in Spanish.



A maximum of five students are assigned to one professor.

LOCATION. The center is located in a quiet residential district of Cuernavaca - an atmosphere most conducive to study. Twenty-seven spacious classrooms and 35 professors give The Center the distinction of having the only campus in Cuernavaca specifically designed for language instruction. Landscaped grounds, fountains, swimming pools and an outdoor patio/cafe contribute toward it being called "Cuernavaca's most attractive learning center."

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FACULTY. The Center is staffed by 35 experienced Spanish-speaking instructors born in Mexico. Dedicated professionals, they not only deliver our meticulously structured and innovative language program, they also participate in The Center's social, cultural and research programs. Our faculty and staff are determined to stimulate confidence in your ability to speak Spanish and increase your language skills.

DOCTOR ON PREMISES. From 10 AM until 2 PM, Monday through Friday, there is a doctor on the premises for consultation or assistance at no charge.

ENROLLMENT. New classes begin every Monday, year-round, 52 weeks a year. A minimum study course of two weeks is required, but a student may enroll for as many weeks as he desires. The two-week period is ideal for those students with some prior knowledge of Spanish and who wish to improve their skills. To attain proficiency, beginners should allow four to six weeks.

ORIENTATION. An orientation session is held each Saturday beginning at 10 AM. This Orientation Class is most important and we strongly recommend that students arrive in Cuernavaca on Thursday or Friday to participate in it. At this time, students are tested to determine their level of Spanish before being assigned to a class, briefed on The Center's program, Cuernavaca, and on living with a Mexican family.

STUDY PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

8:00 A.M. — 2:00 P.M., Mon. — Fri.

(3 hrs.) Conversation/Grammar classes (No more than 5 students per professor)

(2 hrs.) Minicourses - Basic, Intermediate, Advanced

(1 hr.) Conferences - Basic, Intermediate, Advanced (Ten-minute breaks between sessions allow time for coffee and conversation).

OPTIONAL PROGRAMS (2:00 — 4:00 P.M.)

- ★ Individual instruction in grammar or conversation
- ★ English-Spanish exchange with Mexican students
- ★ Round Table Discussions on the economy, politics and social life in Mexico
- ★ Literature courses, "Life in Mexico"
- ★ Mexican Songs, Audiovisuals, Visits to hospitals

Courses available for an additional cost:

- ★ Cooking classes
- ★ Horseback riding
- ★ Mexican folk dancing

****SUMMER MONTHS (June, July, August)** - A third Conversation/Grammar class is held from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM to accommodate students.

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ATTENDANCE. To obtain the maximum benefit from the Intensive Spanish Language Program, students are expected to attend each session and arrive on time.

HOMEWORK. Written exercises are assigned to reinforce verbal skills. Beginners often are pleasantly surprised at how soon they are able to write a simple essay in Spanish while advanced students generally find writing in Spanish as easy as conversation.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS. The Center can adapt its basic study program to specific technical, professional or commercial interests. For example, a study program for the doctor, nurse or health care professional would combine classroom study with particular emphasis on medical terminology, seminars on health, visits to hospitals and clinics. These specialized programs can be arranged for groups of five to twenty.

HOLIDAYS: The Center observes 9 national holidays each year on which no classes are held. No refunds can be made to students for days missed due to holidays.

January 1	New Year's Day
February 5	Constitution Day
March 21	Juarez's Birthday
April 7	Good Friday
May 1	Labor Day
September 16	Independence Day
November 1	Day of the Dead
November 20	Mexican Revolution
December 25	Christmas



Use of Language Lab facilities reinforces classroom study.

LANGUAGE LAB. A pre-programmed tape cassette system and audio facilities in the language laboratory enable students to improve their pronunciation and "educate their ears" to Spanish. Students also are encouraged to bring their own tape recorders to class for taping the study sessions.

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LECTURES AND CONFERENCES. At The Center for Bilingual Multicultural Studies, courses on Latin



Students relax by one of two swimming pools.

American history and culture are integrated with the language study curriculum. Professional staff members with expertise in a particular area present lectures on various subjects. Topics change every two weeks. Courses offered include:

- ★ History of Mexico I (Pre-Hispanic Times to Cortés)
- ★ History of Mexico II (Spanish Conquest to The Revolution of 1910)
- ★ History of Mexico III (Revolution of 1910 to Contemporary Times)
- ★ Basic Concepts for Studying Latin America
- ★ The Mexican Political System
- ★ Understanding the Mexican Mystique.
- ★ The Magic World of the Mexicans
- ★ Two Mexicos - Urban and Rural
- ★ Language, Art, and Education in Mexico
- ★ Mural Art in Mexico (Orozco, Rivera and Siqueiros)
- ★ Mexico Yesterday and Today

EXCURSIONS AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES. Students enrolled in the language program have the opportunity to participate in excursions organized by The Center. These usually are one or two day trips, scheduled on Saturdays and/or Sundays, to places of historic and contemporary interest. A faculty member serves as a guide to lead discussions and answer questions during these outings. Excursions are an important part of the total learning experience at The Center. Excursions offered include the following:

MEXICO CITY

1. Museum of Anthropology & Ballet Folklorico
2. Colonial Mexico - Visit two museums, the University and the Bazaar.
3. "Walls of Fire" - An Introduction and study of the Mexican Muralist movement which includes visits to Fine Arts Palace, the National Palace and PolyForum Siqueiros.

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TAXCO - Mexico's well-known silver mining town, visiting the Plaza, the cathedral and historical sites. Ample time for shopping.

TEOTIHUACAN - The most important archaeological zone in North America, with visits to the Pyramids of the Sun and the Moon.

VOLCANO - Visiting Popocatepetl and the village of Amecameca with its Sunday market.

ACAPULCO - Two nights and three days, departing Friday at 2 P.M. and returning Sunday at 6 PM.

PUEBLA & CHOLULA - Two days and one night, departing Saturday at 8 AM and returning Sunday at 6 PM.

MINI EXCURSIONS:

1. Indian Market, "Santiago Tlanguistengo" north of Cuernavaca. Hand woven textiles, rugs, blankets and ponchos.
2. Las Estacas & Hacienda Vista Hermosa - Natural springs, one hour drive south of Cuernavaca; with a collection of antique carriages, gardens, golf course and restaurant.
3. Cuernavaca - Tour of residential area, Teopanzolco, Civac (Cuernavaca's industrial area) with visits to the Casino de la Seiva and the Hacienda de Cortes.

MINI-TOURS - Saturdays Only

1. Tepoztlán - Typical Indian village with Dominican church, ex-convent and archeological museum. Also included are visits of Oaxtepec, a huge government resort, and Hacienda de Cocoyoc, a resort hotel built around 16th century ruins.
2. Xochicalco Ruins & Archeological Zone - 24 miles south of Cuernavaca. Ceremonial site for ancient tribes covering six square miles, honeycombed with underground caves and passages.

CAFE SOCIAL - Every Monday, students are invited to meet at a local restaurant for conversation and fun. This is a great opportunity to practice Spanish and get acquainted with fellow students. Cost: Students pay for what they order.

LEISURE FACILITIES - Golf courses, Tennis courts, bowling alleys, swimming pools at hotels and family homes, movie theaters, restaurants, bookstores, outdoor markets, performances by street musicians (marichis), and sidewalk cafes surrounding the main square (zocalo) all provide additional entertainment and leisure opportunities.



Excursions to Xochicalco Ruins and other archaeological sites are conducted by faculty members.

LA TIENDA - The campus store carries stamps, umbrellas, a selection of inexpensive gifts and other useful items.

FINE ARTS - In cooperation with the Morelos Tourist Bureau and the University of Morelos, The Center keeps students informed of musical and dance concerts, art exhibitions, lectures, plays, and special films scheduled in Cuernavaca.

BOOKS - Most students only need two books; textbook \$12 and workbook \$13. Duplicated materials cost from \$2 - \$15.

HOUSING - MEXICAN FAMILY PLAN

We feel strongly that the living arrangement most compatible with total immersion language study is living with a Mexican family. We have an extensive list of families selected for their homes and their willingness to provide additional conversational practice to students. Some of our host families live in downtown apartments; others, in the suburbs. Some are childless couples; others have several children. All are willing to welcome you into their homes and share with you the warmth of Mexican home life.

Middle class Mexican families live a rather spartan life when compared with American middle class families. Houses are smaller and less luxurious, and there are few dishwashers or clothes dryers, but many families have full-time servants. If you prefer luxury over adventure, convenience over culture and night life over family life, living with a Mexican family is not for you. If you have a spirit of adventure and an interest in people, living with a Mexican family is the ideal way to learn Spanish in the shortest possible time.

PLAN "AA" LUXURY

Per night per person (single room or shared by request): Spacious home which usually has a garden, swimming pool and other amenities. Private room and bath. Three meals per day included

PLAN "A" SUPERIOR

Single room, semi-private bathroom, or by request, shared. Spacious home with garden. Three meals per day included.

PLAN "B" ECONOMY

Room shared with another assigned student, or family member. Smaller home without a garden or swimming pool. Bathroom shared with another student or family member of your same sex. Three meals per day included.

OTHER HOUSING ARRANGEMENTS

Cuernavaca also has a number of furnished apartments or bungalows available. Information available upon request. Three Housing Advisors are available to provide students with limited assistance in finding apartments or other accommodations.

DAILY SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION. If the home is not within walking distance (15 - 20 minutes), the family will provide transportation to and from the school at 8 AM and 2 PM or 4 PM. This service is provided by the families at no extra cost to the student. Transportation to any other place is not provided.



Dining with a Mexican family allows practice in conversation.

ACADEMIC EXPENSES

A registration fee of \$100 must accompany your application for enrollment at The Center for Bilingual Studies. It is non-refundable and not applicable toward tuition, but is a once-in-a-lifetime charge. The \$100 payment assures your reservations at The Center and covers the cost of processing and making arrangements for accommodations.

Along with the fee and your enrollment application we ask that you enclose a photo - passport photo, snapshot or any other likeness.

FEE FOR THE CENTER FOR BILINGUAL STUDIES:

Should you decide to enroll, please complete the registration form on both sides and send it with the \$100 Registration Fee to the U.S. Office to reserve the dates you have requested. The U.S. Office can accept ONLY tuition payment, either by personal or company check. If you prefer to pay tuition at the Center, it must be paid in traveler's checks, pesos or dollars. The Center does NOT accept personal checks. Lodging MUST be paid to

The Center in either traveler's checks or US dollars. Personal checks or credit cards are not accepted. Should a student find it necessary to cut short his/her stay at The Center, a refund will be made.

Note: Students under 18 must carry a notarized letter signed by both parents giving parental consent to enter Mexico.

UNIVERSITY CREDIT

You must be actively enrolled in an institution of higher learning in the United States or Canada to be awarded college credits for attending The Center for Bilingual Studies.

All arrangements for credit must be made between The Center's Director and the College or University which you are now attending. The Center's office in Los Angeles CANNOT make these arrangements for you.

Students in the intensive Spanish Language Program can generate one credit for each week of Spanish study (20 hours). They may choose to be graded on an A - F or Pass/Fail scale. Our instructors keep a daily record of each student's performance and of the material covered in class. At the end of each week an evaluation of the student's progress is recorded and a final examination can be given upon request. A written summary of course work and individual achievement can be provided for a student receiving credit.

Students also can generate one credit for each minicourse successfully completed (16 hours). For credit purposes, a two-to-three-page paper must be submitted on each minicourse taken. The critique, written in Spanish, must evaluate both course content and instructor's performance. It is due within one week following the end of each minicourse.

PARTICIPATING COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES AND AGENCIES. A partial list of institutions for which The Center has provided instruction programs: Colby College, The University of Utah, Institute for Gifted Students, National Registration Center for Study Abroad, San Diego State University, State University of New York, University of Dallas, Texas A & M University, Southwestern University, Northern Arizona University, University of British Columbia, The Experiment in International Living, University of Nebraska-Omaha, The University of Texas - Arlington, Tarrant County Junior College, Union College, Missouri Western State College, Austin Peay State University, Nebraska Wesleyan University, Deerfield Academy, Phillips Exeter Academy, Cleveland State University, Scandinavian Airlines, Occidental College, Canadian Government, Swedish Government, Gallaudet College, Southern Methodist University, Greenhill School, McCullough High School, Swissair, Lufthansa, Language Studies Enrollment Center, Arizona State University, La Sociedad Nacional Hispanica, People to People International.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

To enter Mexico, you will need a tourist card or visa, which can be obtained, free of charge, from any Mexican Tourist Council Office, Mexican Consulate, travel agency or airline.

A tourist card also may be obtained at the border, if traveling by land, although it is recommended that you secure this before arriving at the border.

The visa should be issued for longer time than you plan to spend in Mexico (usually a visa can be extended 30, 60, 90 or 120 days). To obtain a visa, you will need proof of citizenship (valid passport or birth certificate).

We recommend that you make photocopies of your visa and all other important documents before beginning your trip. Replacing lost or stolen papers can be costly and very time-consuming.

Mexico City (one and one-half hour drive from Cuernavaca) is the nearest terminal for international air, train and bus travel. Bus travel in Mexico is economical and convenient. Should you wish to travel to Cuernavaca by bus, take a taxi to the "Taxquena (station) Terminal de Autobuses del Sur," or purchase a taxi ticket inside the terminal at which you arrive (US \$6-8) and ask to be taken to the Terminal Del Sur. There, you take the Mexico-Zacatepec or Autospullman de Morelos busline to Cuernavaca. Buses depart regularly from 6:00 AM to 9:00 PM.

Should you wish transportation from Mexico City to Cuernavaca, arrangements can be made for the school's driver to meet your flight, or pick you up at your hotel in Mexico City. The charge for this one way service is \$80 in US dollars, travelers checks or in pesos. This service is offered 24 hours a day. In order to arrange for the service, the U.S. Office must know in advance the airline, your flight number, the city from which you depart and the arrival time of your flight in Mexico City.

Should you decide to travel from Mexico City to Cuernavaca by taxi, the charge for a Mexico City Taxi from the airport to Cuernavaca is \$75 - \$100 one way.

Foreign currency may be exchanged at the airport 24 hours a day, or at any bank between 9:00 AM and 1:00 PM Monday -Friday.



The Colby Library was partially donated by Colby College in Maine.

UPON ARRIVING IN CUERNAVACA. We prefer that students arrive on a Thursday or Friday in order to participate in the Saturday Orientation Class.

Those students arriving "on their own", when The Center is closed, are requested to go to **THE STUDENT RESIDENCE** at the following address:

CALLE PRADERA #60
ESQUINA CON CALLE SAN JERONIMO
COLONIA SAN JERONIMO
Tel: 13-03-65
Tara Gallegos: Tel: 13-44-20



Expanded campus provides additional garden and classrooms.

INTENSIVE EXECUTIVE PROGRAM - In response to increasing demands, and in order to broaden the programs offered at the Center, an Intensive Executive Program has been developed for business professionals whose main objective is to learn "how to do business" in Latin America. Designed to develop or improve the ability to speak Spanish in a condensed period of time, the course emphasizes listening comprehension, vocabulary, language structure, culture and customs of Mexico and Latin America. There are nine hours daily of intensive Spanish instruction, including vocabulary geared to specific occupational fields. The course can be taken by students of all levels, beginners to advanced. An Executive Center, exclusively for the use of students enrolled in the Intensive Executive Program, is equipped with telephones, Fax machines and other amenities enabling executives to maintain contact with their companies.

LIBRARY - The modern functional library with books of grammar, history, art, religion, Latin American novels and tourist guides to Mexico, is a quiet retreat where students can study, or where small groups can hold roundtable discussions.

CHILDREN'S SUMMER PROGRAM: A summer program similar to a summer day camp is available for children between the ages of five and 12 whose parents are enrolled at The Center. There is a \$20 non-refundable registration fee and tuition ranges from \$50 - \$70 per week for each child. Cost for a child under 12 accompanied by parents, living in a Mexican home, ranges from \$12 - \$25 per day, meals included.

FOR STUDENTS WHO WISH TO RECEIVE COLLEGE CREDIT OR UNIVERSITY CREDIT

This program is designed for individual students as well as for groups from a specific university, college or an organization. Participants benefit from the Spanish-speaking environment, intensive Spanish study courses, extracurricular activities and day-to-day contact and conversation with Mexicans.

The emphasis is on comprehension, speaking, listening, reading, writing, grammar and pronunciation.

Courses generally are of three-to-six-weeks duration, depending on the effort expended and a student's language-learning ability. The intensive Spanish courses may be started any Monday, throughout the year. They usually are offered in Spanish, but occasionally in English. Following is a description of courses available: (An asterisk * designates those offered in conjunction with University programs scheduled for fall or spring).

SPANISH COURSES

- SPN 111 Beginning Spanish - 1/4 semester credit hour.
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- SPN 211 Intermediate Spanish - 1/4 semester credit hour.
- SPN 212 Intermediate Spanish - 1/4 semester credit hour.
- SPN 305 Introduction to readings in Spanish - 3 semester credit hours.
- SPN 307 Spanish-American Civilization - 3 semester credit hours.
- SPN 308 Mexico today - 3 semester credit hours.
- SPN 322 Spanish conversation and composition - 4 semester credit hours.
- SPN 323 Intermediate conversation and composition - 4 semester credit hours.
- SPN 422 * Advanced Spanish conversation and composition - 4 semester credit hours.

HISTORY AND POLITICAL SCIENCE COURSES

- PLS 345 The Mexican political system - 3 semester credit hours.
- HST 432 * 20th Century Latin America: Economic development - 3 semester credit hours.
- HST 435 * U.S. - Latin American Relations - 3 semester credit hours.
- HST 483 Basic Concepts for studying Latin - America - 3 semester credit hours.
- HST 484 * History of Mexico - 3 semester credit hours.

NOTE: For more information about the above Spanish courses, please write to The Center.

REGISTRATION FORM
PLEASE PRINT & COMPLETE BOTH SIDES

Name: _____

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Address: _____

Zip: _____

Age: _____ Telephone: () _____

Occupation: _____

Previous Spanish: YES _____ NO _____

Level: Basic Intermediate Advanced

Other Languages: _____

Enrollment Date: Monday _____

Date of Arrival in Cuernavaca _____

How many weeks? _____

Will you be receiving credit through a University? _____

If so, name school _____

Major _____ Minor _____
(Please see section titled "University Credits")

UNIVERSITY CREDIT: If you are applying for credit, the administrator of the school in which you are now enrolled must agree to your participation in The Center's Study Program by signing below:

Professor's Name

Department

University/College

How did you hear about the Center? (Please name.)

Magazine or Newspaper _____

If Newspaper, what city? _____

School or University _____

Professor _____

Former Student _____

Mexican Consulate _____

Other _____

All applications for enrollment must be processed by our U. S. office. To enroll, enclose your check for \$100 (no credit cards accepted) and a snapshot of yourself along with your completed application form, and mail to our U.S. office:

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Los Angeles, CA 90078 • Telephone: (213) 851-3403
CALL TOLL FREE (800) 428-4680

ACCOMMODATIONS FORM

Information provided here will enable the Housing Coordinator to secure your preferred accommodations.

PLEASE PRINT - ANSWER COMPLETELY

REGULAR PROGRAM EXECUTIVE PROGRAM

If you wish to live with a Mexican family, please check rate for accommodations:

- \$30 PLAN "AA" LUXURY
Private room and bathroom
- \$22 PLAN "A" SUPERIOR
Private room and semi-private bathroom
- \$15 PLAN "B" ECONOMY
Shared room and bath.

Would you prefer a family with children?

Yes No Doesn't matter

Are you allergic to: cats _____ dogs _____

birds _____ other _____

Do you object to cigarette smoke? _____

Please list any medical or religious restrictions regarding food or diet _____

Religion (optional) _____

Special Interests / Hobbies _____

Closest relative (Name, address, telephone #):

If sharing, name of room-mate _____

Name of Travelling Companion _____

TAXI

Do you wish the taxi transfer from Mexico City?

(\$60) yes no

If so, please give the airline _____

Departure City _____

Date _____ Flight # _____

Estimated Arrival Time in Mexico City _____

REGISTRATION FORM
PLEASE PRINT & COMPLETE BOTH SIDES

Name: _____

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Address: _____

_____ Zip: _____

Age: _____ Telephone: () _____

Occupation: _____

Previous Spanish: YES _____ NO _____

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Other Languages: _____

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Name of Traveling Companion _____

TAXI

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- (\$80) yes no

If so, please give the airline _____

Departure City _____

Date _____ Flight # _____

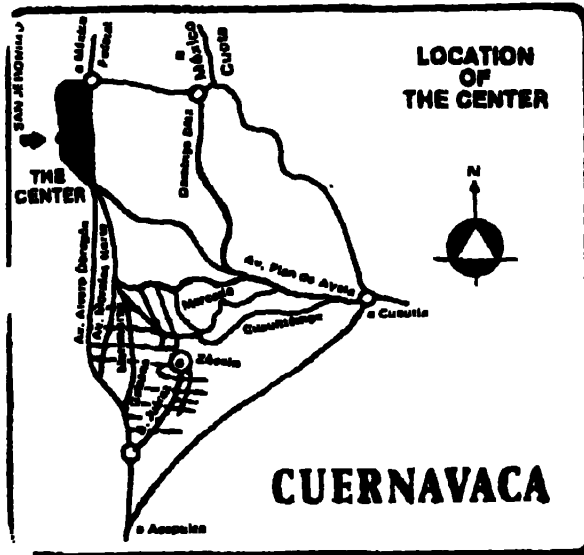
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THE SETTING: LIVING IN CUERNAVACA

The city of Cuernavaca is located in a pleasant valley about one-and-a-half-hour drive south of Mexico City. This puts the students within easy reach of the cultural richness and excitement of the Mexican capital. Acapulco, Oaxaca, Puebla and T excos are also easy to reach from Cuernavaca.

Cuernavaca now has a population of about 250,000 permanent residents. A university town and one of the western hemisphere's favorite vacation spots, its seasonal population can be nearly twice that number. Because of its year 'round temperate climate (average 70°) and its lush and beautiful flora, Cuernavaca is known as the "City of Eternal Spring."

The atmosphere tends to be that of a "big town," rather than a big city. There is little crime. The people are very friendly. Life is relaxed and easy. Yet the main square (Zocalo), surrounded by sidewalk cafes, restaurants, bookstores and the like, is always alive. Street musicians (Marachia) play. And the outdoor markets draw you back again and again.



Aerial view shows portion of campus at The Center