

LANGUAGE AND CULTURE ASSISTANTS PROGRAM IN SPAIN FOR FILIPINO CITIZENS SCHOOL YEAR 2019-2020

The Spanish Ministry of Education offers new Language and Culture Assistants positions in Spain for Filipino university students or graduates for the school year 2019-2020. Citizens interested may apply for the complete school year October 2019 to May or June 2020.

The Education Office of the Spanish Ministry of Education does not charge application fees for any service related to the application process in this program. Please contact us if you receive any petition of fees for this service.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Participants in the program have the opportunity to live in Spain, start or improve their knowledge of the Spanish language and culture and take advantage of an internship experience in public Spanish schools for their future, fostering and promoting intercultural understanding between citizens of Spain and the Philippines. Their main role is to support the teacher of English in primary or secondary education or in language schools.

At the same time, this program allows Spanish students the opportunity to study English language in depth and get to know the Filipino culture by interacting with English native speakers.

In Spain, the Ministry of Education and the local education authorities in some autonomous regions organize teacher training courses for language assistants during the first days of the school year.

Filipinos can apply for the following Spanish regions:

**Aragón, Andalucía, Asturias, Canarias, Castilla-La Mancha, Castilla y León,
Comunidad Valenciana, Galicia, Islas Baleares, La Rioja, Madrid, Murcia y País Vasco.**

I. REQUIREMENTS

- be Filipinos citizens and **speakers of English as native language**
- be a second or third year university student of a three-year Bachelor's Degree or a third or fourth year student of a fourth-year degree, or already in possession of a Bachelor's degree, a postgraduate student, or having completed a Master's degree or Doctorate
- be of sound mental and physical health and must have no limitations that would impair your ability to teach
- have a clear police record
- be eligible for a long-term student visa
(please refer to: <http://www.exteriores.gob.es/consulados/manila/es/Paginas/inicio.aspx>)

II. MERITS AND ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

The following merits will also be taken into consideration:

- Official Spanish Diplomas (DELE or others)
- Degrees or students of degrees related to Education
- Prior teaching experience
- Experience living, working or studying overseas
- Knowledge of other languages in addition to English and Spanish
- Additional degrees other than those required to participate

III. TEACHING ASSISTANTS' DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN SPAIN

- a. The candidates selected will complete their duties as language and culture assistants, supporting the teaching of English under the supervision and guidance of a classroom teacher at schools
- b. The weekly requirement of the assistants is a minimum of 12 class hours (in Madrid and Comunidad Valenciana it could be up to 16 hours), all of which are spent assisting the classroom teacher
- c. The language assistant and the classroom teacher (or the institution's head teacher or Principal) may agree upon other tasks such as attending meetings, giving talks and participating in extracurricular activities, such as field trips, school exchanges, school plays, concerts or sports carnivals
- d. The different local education authorities from each region will allocate each assistant in a primary school, secondary college or language school (adults)

IV. SPECIFIC CONDITIONS OF THE GRANT

- a. A monthly allowance of approximately 700 € (1000 € in Madrid and Comunidad Valenciana)
- b. Health Insurance
- c. Initial training course at the beginning of the school year
- d. Official certification issued by Spanish educational authorities
- e. Paid school holidays: Christmas and Easter
- f. Lodging, transportation from and to the country of origin and meals are at the applicant's own expense

V. PROCEDURE TO APPLY

The general application process will start on 10 January 2019 until April through the Spanish Ministry of Education website via PROFEX. For Filipinos that wish to apply, an interview at the Embassy of Spain in Manila is necessary before submitting any applications through PROFEX. Information on how to apply through PROFEX will be published on our website after candidates have been interviewed.

Students of universities that have signed an agreement with the Spanish Ministry of Education, such as Ateneo de Manila, University of Santo Tomas, UP or Xavier University-Ateneo de Cagayan, will be interviewed and pre-selected by their universities. The pre-selected candidates will then be interviewed at the Embassy of Spain. They will be informed by their universities after taking their first interviews on how to schedule their interview at the Embassy of Spain.