



## **Internship Placement Profile: 8-Week Internship in Barcelona Education - ESL Teaching**

### **Program Overview**

This 8-week Internship program is designed for American university students seeking hands-on experience in English as a Second Language (ESL) teaching. Interns will work with an education company or language school in Barcelona, assisting in English instruction, curriculum development, and student engagement while gaining insight into ESL teaching methodologies.

### **Language**

- English (basic knowledge of Spanish helpful, but not required)

### **Internship Structure**

- **Duration:** 8 weeks
- **Location:** Barcelona, Spain
- **Work Schedule:** 6-8 hours per day, Monday to Thursday. The schedule for an 8 hours per day placement would be 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Mon-Thurs with a 1-hour lunch break. If your placement is fewer hours per week, your schedule would be adjusted accordingly.
- **Total Hours:** 180-240
- **Academic Credits:** To receive transfer credit, you must obtain pre-approval from your home institution. Start by asking your study abroad advisor at your home institution for details, and feel free to [contact ASA](#) with any questions.
- **Requirements:** Please see Requirements list at end of this document
- Unpaid



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## What Students Will Gain

- Deeper understanding of ESL teaching and educational settings in Spain
- Global awareness and intercultural sensitivity
- Practical skills in communication, research, project planning, and event support
- Increased self-confidence, clarity of purpose, and professional growth
- See also: Learning Objectives

## Learning Objectives

By the end of the internship, students should be able to:

- ✓ Understand fundamental ESL teaching methodologies and classroom management techniques
  - ✓ Develop and deliver engaging lesson plans for non-native English learners
  - ✓ Adapt teaching strategies to different proficiency levels and learning styles
  - ✓ Assess student progress and provide constructive feedback
  - ✓ Gain experience in educational program administration and curriculum planning
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## Internship Breakdown

### Week 1 – Onboarding and Training

- Introduction to the ESL school or education company and its teaching philosophy
  - Training on ESL teaching strategies, lesson planning, and classroom management
  - Overview of English proficiency levels and common challenges for learners
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### Weeks 2–4 – Teaching Assistance & Lesson Planning



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### Tasks & Activities:

- Assist lead teachers in delivering English lessons to students of varying proficiency levels
  - Support students with speaking, writing, listening, and reading exercises
  - Develop engaging learning materials, including worksheets and multimedia content
  - Observe and assist in one-on-one or small group tutoring sessions
  - Learn about assessment techniques and grading strategies
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## Weeks 5–8 – Classroom Management & Independent Teaching

### Tasks & Activities:

- Lead short lessons or language activities under teacher supervision
  - Assist in managing classroom participation and discipline
  - Provide individualized feedback and mentorship to students
  - Contribute to curriculum development and innovative teaching strategies
  - Help organize extracurricular activities, such as conversation clubs or cultural exchanges
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## Supervision and Mentoring

- **Assigned Supervisor:** An experienced ESL instructor or academic coordinator will mentor the intern.
  - **Mentor Meetings:** Bi-weekly check-ins to discuss progress and teaching techniques.
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## Assessment and Feedback

- **Midpoint Evaluation:** Performance review with constructive feedback on teaching skills.
  - **Final Evaluation:** Student presents a teaching portfolio, including lesson plans and reflections.
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## Complementary Learning Activities

To enhance your internship experience and provide broader insight into your field, the program will include 2-4 activities outside of work hours that complement your internship. Examples include:\*

### Workshop – Teaching English through Interactive Methods

- Learn how to use games, technology, and real-world scenarios to teach English effectively.

### Language & Culture Exchange with Local Students

- Engage in a structured conversation event with local Spanish students learning English.

### Visit to a Multilingual School or Bilingual Education Program

- Observe how language learning is integrated into the Spanish education system.

### Networking Event with ESL Educators & Language Experts

- Meet professional English teachers and language school directors.
- Gain insights into career opportunities in ESL teaching and language education.



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*\*Example activities shown here. Activities may vary based on availability.*

## Requirements

- Minimum GPA 2.70 (Applicants with GPA between 2.60-2.69 will be considered on a case-by-case basis)
- 19 years of age, by the time the program starts
- Must have completed at least 2 semesters (minimum 24 credits) at a U.S. or Canadian college, university, or community college before the program starts
- Résumé or CV
- Cover Letter describing your motivation and interest in this specific placement (1-2 pages)
- Unofficial transcript from your college or university
- [Internship Questionnaire](#)
- Optional for GPA 2.70 or higher: Academic or professional recommendation letter
- Required for GPA 2.60-2.69: Academic or professional recommendation letter