

Spanish -IMMERSION- program



The UNAM Peninsular Center for Humanities and Social Sciences (CEPHCIS), located in Mérida, Yucatán, invites you to participate in the Spanish Immersion Course Yucatán 2026.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Spanish Immersion Program at CEPHCIS-UNAM is designed to provide a total immersion experience in Spanish. Over the three-week course, you will:

- Improve your listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills in Spanish.
- Live in one of the most beautiful and safest cities in Mexico.
- Visit the natural wonders of the Yucatán region.
- Experience Mexican culture firsthand.
- Explore Mayan archaeological sites and learn about this ancient civilization.

WHY CHOOSE YUCATÁN?

- It is the safest state in Mexico.
- Home to numerous archaeological sites, including Chichén Itzá (one of the 7 Wonders of the World and a UNESCO World Heritage Site), Uxmal, Dzibil chaltún, and Ek Balam.
- Surrounded by cenotes, parks, and protected nature reserves.
- Mérida is just 30 minutes from the Yucatán coast, where you can enjoy beautiful beaches and the emerald-green sea.
- The city offers a rich cultural scene with museums, music, and festivals.
- Yucatán's gastronomy is world-renowned and recognized as an Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.
- You will discover the pre-Hispanic, colonial, and modern influences that shape Yucatán today.

WHY TO STUDY AT UNAM CEPHCIS?

With 20 years of academic presence in the Yucatán Peninsula, CEPHCIS is a leading research center in the Humanities and Social Sciences at UNAM, the most prestigious university in Latin America. Courses are taught by highly qualified professors and researchers specializing in Mexican and Mayan culture, ensuring an academic experience of excellence.

PROGRAM DATES

January 26th.-February 13th., 2026

REQUIREMENTS

- Be at least 18 years old.
- Have major medical insurance valid in Mexico.
- Take a Spanish placement test (administered remotely by CEPHCIS-UNAM).
- Not needed for beginner level.
- Complete the registration process and make the corresponding payment.

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Option 1: With homestay accommodation – \$2,500 USD

Option 2: The fee does not include flight tickets and accommodation – \$1,500 USD

INCLUDES:

Welcome and orientation session.

Spanish language classes.

Mexican and Mayan culture courses taught by UNAM professors and researchers.

Three Spanish practical sessions (transportation included).

Three field trips to Chichén Itzá, Uxmal, and the beach, including transportation, meals, and the possibility of taking the Mayan Train.

Certificate of completion with an official transcript.

REFUND POLICY

If CEPHCIS-UNAM cancels the course, a 100% refund will be issued.

No refunds will be given after the registration deadline.

REGISTRATION PROCESS

1. Complete the pre-registration form at: <https://forms.gle/Echp7Y1iBMgtCPuH9>.
2. At the end of the registration period, we will send you an email to confirm if the course will be opened.
3. After the confirmation, you will get information for the payment and the placement test. Make sure to complete this step before the deadline.
4. Send the proof of major medical insurance to idiomas@cephcis.unam.mx by the specified deadline.

Registration deadline: Participants must submit proof of payment and a copy of their medical insurance coverage for Mexico by the designated date.

Course dates	Registration period	Confirmation of course opening	Placement test and payment	Deadline for sending a copy of major medical insurance with coverage in México
January 26th - February 13th, 2026	November 25th - December 12th 2025	December 13th, 2025	December 13th - January 5th 2025	January 8th, 2026

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