

# The Porvenir Times

International College of Seville Newsletter

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## IN THIS MONTH'S ISSUE:

### WELCOME WEEK

Hear all about the first week of fun organized for our students on arrival to their new home city.

### ICS SOCIAL MEDIA

Listen to our latest podcast broadcast and meet the three new members of our ICS Social Media Team!

### STUDENT CORNER

"It's been a journey so far!", by Allyson Whaley (University of Hawaii at Manoa).

### UPCOMING NEWS

Read what's new and coming at the ICS.

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To view all of our student blogs, visit: [ics-seville.org/blogs](https://ics-seville.org/blogs).





Daniela, Nancy & Sarah



Guided walks downtown, breakfast in a quaint café, *churros con chocolate* under the world's largest wooden structure, Seville's best-loved Flamenco show, a cruise down the river, and a shopping excursion by way of metro! By the end of the week our students were not only introduced to their new city and classmates, but felt right at home!

## DAY 1



Calle Betis



Plaza de España



Kevin & Nicole



Caroline & Cassidy



In the Puerta Jerez



Monument to Bécquer



Chelsea, Sophia & Kailee



At the University of Seville



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# WELCOME WEEK

## DAY 2



Drew & Nancy



Group shot before the Cathedral



Daniela & Sarah



Churros con chocolate



Nicole & Sophia



Las Setas monument



In the Plaza San Francisco



Museum of Flamenco Dance



Cade & Sean with a Flamenco guitarist

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# WELCOME WEEK

## DAY 3





Cade & Sean



Selfie moment



Max



JD, Charles, Nika, Kasia and Bella



The Calle Betis



Kevin, Nicole & Sophia



Group 1



Group 2



Group 3

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# WELCOME WEEK LAST DAY



Group shot for shopping excursion



San Bernardo metro station



Inside the metro station



Nervión Plaza



Best shopping in Seville!



Night excursion to see a live Flamenco performance



Flamenco at La Carboneria





# LISTEN NOW

International College of Seville

## NEW EPISODE

### Sounds of Seville:

### A Musician's Tale of Cultural Fusion



## JARED PETERS

JARED PETERS, A PENNSYLVANIA NATIVE, FOLLOWED HIS DREAM OF LIVING ABROAD BY MOVING TO SPAIN.

JARED NOW WORKS AS A FREELANCE MUSICIAN AND ENGLISH TEACHER.



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# ICS SOCIAL MEDIA TEAM

This semester we are fortunate enough to count on the collaboration of three very talented students as members of our Social Media team!



**Chelsea Tajon**

Chelsea is currently studying Marketing and Human Resource Management with a focus on Communication at The Shidler College of Business at the University of Hawaii at Manoa.



**Natalie Szponar**

Natalie is a Freshman-year student enrolled at Elgin Community College and is set to transfer to DePaul University as a Diplomacy major for the Fall semester of 2024.



**Allyson Whaley**

Allyson is a third year student of Journalism at the University of Hawaii at Manoa .



## THE TEAM

All three members are excited to work on different projects as interns for International College of Seville this semester.







# *It's been a journey so far!*



It has been exactly one week since I arrived in Sevilla, and what a whirlwind of an experience it has been so far! We started off the semester with Welcome Week walks through the park, boat rides along the river, amazing food along the way, such as *Churros con Chocolate*, and many truly delicious coffees. My favorite day from Welcome Week was our Sunday river cruise. The sun was shining down, not a cloud in the sky, and there were beautiful sights all around us. It was so relaxing and such a great way to get to know everyone in the program.

For however much I loved the cruise, my favorite part of the day was afterwards when everyone in the program met at a little outdoor terrace along the river. We played cards and talked and laughed, and we got to know each other better while basking in the gorgeous sunlight. It was a fun experience and a memory I will hold close to my heart for ever.



Best travel companions!



Roomies and BFFs

Above all, what I most am enjoying about my time here in Seville is getting to know so many great people. We hang out constantly in big groups and get along so well, which is rare, that it has certainly been a perk to my experience. Talking and laughing, exploring the park or even just walking around has been a part of my day that I always look forward to. Between class we have been going daily to *El Gato Azul*, which is a delicious pizza spot right across from our school. It's great to be able to practice my Spanish when ordering. I have become friends with the owners, and even with some of the regular local customers!

Everyone I have met in Seville has been so kind and understanding, allowing me to practice my Spanish and helping me with words I mess up on. It has been extraordinary to feel that I am growing a deeper understanding and appreciation for a culture and language that are not my own. One of our first nights in town we went to a Flamenco show that truly captured the heart of Spain. It was breathtaking and told different stories through dance alone. This was such a beautiful experience and something I had never seen before. It brought tears to my eyes watching the expressive dancers on stage. I can't wait for the future experiences I will have here, who I will meet, and how I will further be immersed in the culture around me.



Discovering the night life in the best company!



# UPCOMING AT THE ICS

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## *Cultural Visits.*

During this month we will have guided visits to the ancient Roman city of Itálica and Seville's Gothic Cathedral.

## *Trips.*

This month our students will take part in a visit to the beautiful city of Córdoba

## *Activities.*

On the Spanish cooking agenda we will begin this month with Paella Mixta. And our students will prepare for the April Fair learning how to dance Sevillanas.  
Olé!

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