



# ARRIVAL & FIRST DAY

## Factsheet 2024

### DESCRIPTION

Arriving in a foreign country for the first time can be a difficult experience. Therefore, Expanish provides several services that will make the first few days in Málaga as smooth as possible. If there are any problems upon arrival either at the airport, in the city, or at the selected accommodation, Expanish staff are always available at the 24/7 emergency number.

### AIRPORTS IN/NEAR MÁLAGA

There is one major airport in Málaga:

- **Málaga Airport (AGP):** This is the main airport in Málaga and is easily accessible by public transportation. In general, it takes about 35 minutes via public transportation or 25 minutes by taxi to get to the city center.

### AIRPORT TRANSFER SERVICE

A secure and reliable airport transfer by private car is available through Expanish. After picking up their baggage and passing through the customs checkpoint, students will enter the terminal where they will find a driver with an Expanish sign with their name on it. The driver will take them directly to their housing. Instructions for the airport transfer service will be sent out 2 weeks before arrival. The school also offers a return transfer service.

## GETTING TO THE CITY

Expanish also recommends the following forms of transportation from the Málaga (AGP) airport:

- **Taxi** - Taxis are the most convenient way to get to your final destination in the city. Taxis are white with a red stripe. Taxi will cost around €30 to get to the city center. If you are going to a destination outside of Málaga, they will use the meter. It is about 25 minutes to the city center with a taxi.
- **Train**: The above-ground train lines of C1 connect the airport to multiple points in the city and beyond. The train costs €1,80 and runs from 6:44 am to 00:54 am.
- **Bus** - Students can take the A bus from the airport to Málaga. It costs €4.00 and runs from 7 am to 12 am everyday.

## WELCOME ACTIVITY

On the first day of classes, the school will organize a welcome activity for new students. They are designed to help students meet each other and explore a bit of the city before formally starting class. Activities include visits to explore different neighborhoods and parks, going to street fairs, and arranging coffees and meals. Current students are also invited.



## PLACEMENT TESTS

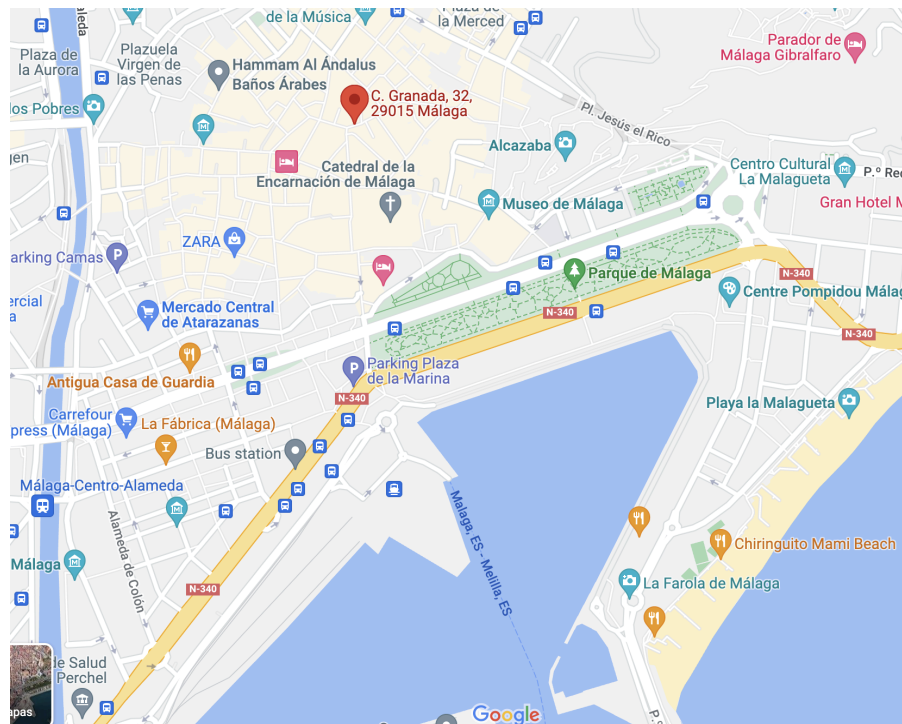
Each student should take an oral online Spanish test. The link is provided in the confirmation email prior to arrival. Students who do not complete the online test will need to complete it in person on the first day of class.

## FIRST DAY AT THE SCHOOL

If a student has completed the oral level test online, they should arrive at the school at **8:45 am** on their first day. If a student has not completed the test, they should arrive at **8 am**. Punctuality is important, students who arrive late for the test will miss part of their Spanish class on the first day.

## LOCATION

Our school is in the historic center, next to the Cathedral, the Picasso Museum and the Alcazaba and the Roman theater, an excellent location. From there you can be in any of Malaga neighborhoods in about 35 minutes by public transport.



## HOW TO GET TO THE SCHOOL

We recommend the students to use public transportation to get to school on their first day. Several bus lines can take you from any point to the city center. You can also use the subway, but it will take about 15 minutes to walk to school from the last subway stop.



### Public Transportation Monthly Pass

Students who are staying in the city for longer periods can purchase a monthly bus pass, which is 25,95€ per month and offers unlimited rides in Málaga city. You can buy and recharge it in the 'Customer service center of EMT' located in [Alameda Principal, 47](#), or in the tobacco shops (called 'Estanco' in Spanish).

### WELCOME PACK

All students receive a welcome pack on the first day at the school, which includes a folder, a notepad, a pen, and an Expanish eco-bag to store class materials.

### NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

On the first day of classes, the Expanish staff will provide all new students with a short orientation that covers information about Spanish classes, activities, excursions, and Málaga in general. This orientation is also a great way to meet fellow students and our friendly staff. We also have a separate orientation about staying safe in Málaga.



### SCHOOL DETAILS

**School Address:**

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