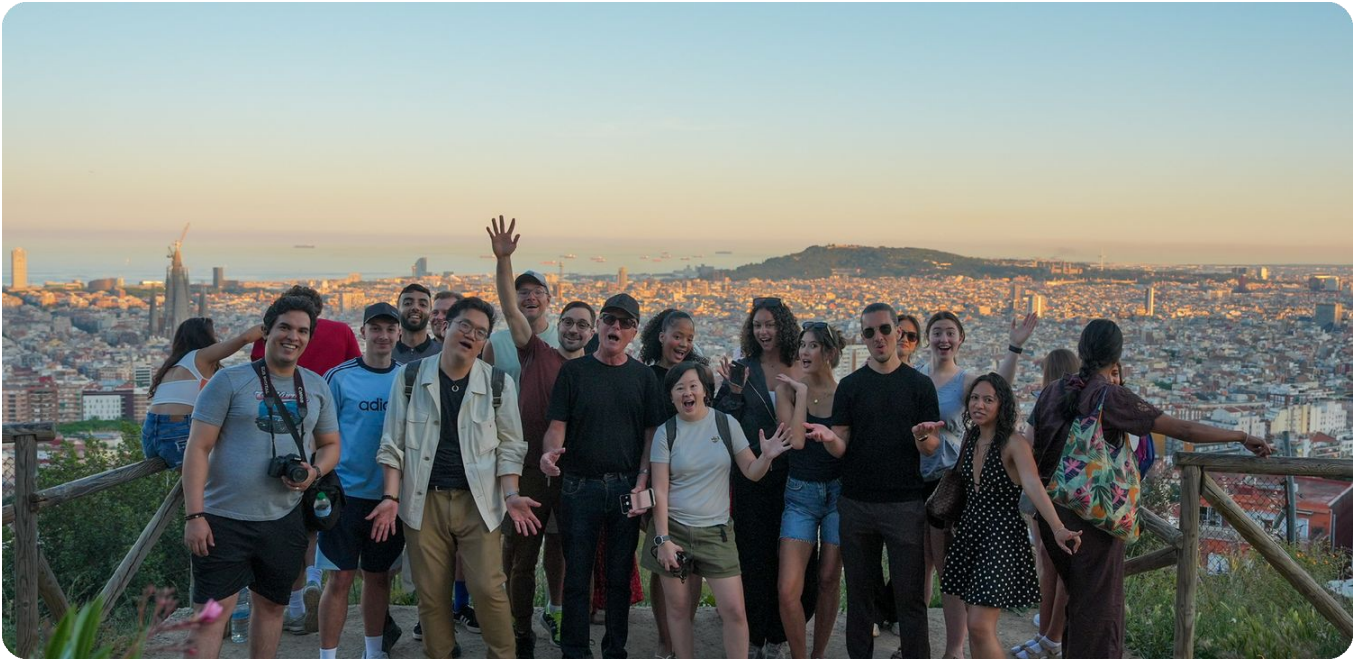


Student Handbook

Your guide to learning, living and connecting at Blau



3-5 h
CLASS PER DAY

12
MAXIMUM PER CLASS

24/7
RECEPTION

A structured learning experience with daily practice, cultural immersion and an international community in Barcelona.

01 | WELCOME

Learn. Live. Connect.

Blau Language Academy combines structured lessons, daily practice and cultural immersion in Barcelona. The classroom, everyday life and real conversations work together to help you progress with confidence.



Our mission

To help you use Spanish with confidence inside and outside the classroom while enjoying a comfortable stay and building real connections with Barcelona and people from around the world.

STRUCTURED LEARNING

Clear goals, active classes and continuous teacher feedback.

SPANISH IN USE

Real tasks on campus, in Poblenou and across Barcelona.

CONFIDENT COMMUNICATION

Conversation, community and culture that reinforce daily practice.

ABOUT THIS GUIDE

This edition covers Blau's adult-programme offer. Your individual course, room, arrival and departure details appear in your booking confirmation and take priority over general information in this handbook.

02 | BEFORE YOU TRAVEL

Your preparation checklist

Ideally, send the required information and complete the placement test at least two weeks before arrival. This helps us prepare your stay and your class from day one.

Send us before you travel

- A valid passport or identity document.
- Your contact details and an emergency contact.
- Medical information, allergies or accessibility needs relevant to your stay.
- Flight, train or arrival details so check-in can be coordinated.
- **Medical and travel insurance:** not compulsory, but strongly recommended.

What you will receive from Blau

BOOKING	Letter of Acceptance, accommodation confirmation and invoice or receipt.
ARRIVAL	Arrival instructions, contact details and your specific check-in information.
ACADEMY	Placement-test link, timetable when available and this handbook.

What to pack

CLASS Required learning materials are provided during check-in.	ROOM Bed linen, towels, an equipped kitchen and initial bathroom amenities are included.	BARCELONA Light clothing, a layer for cooler evenings, comfortable shoes, sun protection and a type C/F adaptor if needed.
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03 | ARRIVAL

From check-in to your first class

The academy and accommodation are at **Carrer del Perú 110 in Poblenou**. Reception is open 24 hours and professional security is on site overnight.



AIRPORT	Around 30 minutes by taxi from Josep Tarradellas Barcelona-El Prat Airport, depending on traffic.
TRAIN	Barcelona-El Clot station is around a 15-minute walk away.
METRO	Poblenou (L4) is around a 15-minute walk away; the Pere IV tram stop is very close.

WEEKEND CHECK-IN

Accommodation is normally booked Saturday to Saturday or Sunday to Sunday. Your confirmation email gives the day, arrival window and any special instructions. Reception provides your keys and explains the building, room and check-out process.

Your first Monday

1. Meet at reception at 08:50 with the materials provided during check-in.
2. Your teacher or a team member will take you to your assigned classroom on level -1.
3. Confirm your timetable. It depends on the programme booked and is provided on arrival when the placement test is complete.
4. If you will arrive late or start after the planned date, tell Blau as soon as possible.

04 | YOUR COURSE

Spanish for real life

Classes run Monday to Friday, normally starting in the morning. Your exact timetable, breaks and any classroom or teacher changes are communicated in your individual schedule.



PROGRAMME	HOURS / DAY	CONTENT
BASIC	3	3 h General Spanish
STANDARD	4	3 h General Spanish + 1 h Spanish for Work
INTENSIVE	5	3 h General Spanish + 1 h Spanish for Work + 1 h conversation

How you will learn

- **Action-oriented learning:** you will use Spanish to complete purposeful tasks and handle real situations.
- **Integrated skills:** listening, reading, conversation, writing, pronunciation and grammar work together.
- **Barcelona as a classroom:** the campus, neighbourhood and city provide authentic contexts for practice.
- **Active participation:** projects, interaction, group work and teacher feedback.

ACADEMIC FRAMEWORK

Blau's curriculum uses CEFR descriptors and the Instituto Cervantes curriculum as reference points. Special programmes, including Bildungsurlaub, may follow a booking-specific structure. Public holidays and possible timetable adjustments are communicated under the current calendar and Terms and Conditions.

05 | ACADEMIC PROGRESS

Level, attendance and certificate

Your level is not confirmed when you book. The academic team uses the pre-arrival test, your work and teacher observation to place you in the most suitable group and review your progress.



Placement test

1. Complete the digital test ideally two weeks before travelling, independently and without outside help.
2. No pre-arrival oral interview is planned. The team reviews your answers and assigns a group with similar ability.
3. If you do not complete the test on time, you will temporarily start in the beginner group until teachers can assess your level in class.
4. If the group does not feel right, speak to your teacher or email Admissions so the academic team can review the placement.

Test your level in here: [Spanish level test](#)

ATTENDANCE	You need at least 80% attendance to receive the certificate. Classes missed for personal reasons are not replaced.
ABSENCE	Tell reception or email admissions@blaustudenthousing.com . Attendance may be monitored specifically when required for visa-related administration.
ASSESSMENT	It may include participation, tasks, written and oral checks and a final assessment. Longer stays may include reports and progress reviews from the second week onward.
CERTIFICATE	At the end, the non-official certificate states your dates, hours studied and observed final level, provided you meet the attendance requirement.

During tests and assessments, do not use translators, dictionaries or AI tools unless your teacher expressly allows them.

06 | YOUR ACCOMMODATION

Your studio, on campus

Your booking includes accommodation at Blau Student Housing. Your exact room category and stay dates appear in the confirmation; they differ from course dates because classes run Monday to Friday and check-in takes place at the weekend.



The exact layout and category depend on your booking and availability.

CHECK-IN	Sunday before your course starts. Your exact time is in the confirmation.
CHECK-OUT	Sunday after your course finishes. Reception explains the time, key return and room inspection.
OUT OF HOURS	Tell us in advance. The 24/7 reception team will explain the applicable procedure.

Your studio includes

- Private bathroom and equipped kitchen.
- Study area, storage and climate control.
- High-speed Wi-Fi and Smart TV.
- Bed linen, towels and basic weekly housekeeping with fresh linen and towels.
- Utilities, maintenance and reception support.

LIVING TOGETHER

During check-in you will receive the Residence Rules covering visitors, quiet hours, smoking, shared spaces, safety and possible damage. Follow them and report any maintenance issue or incident to reception promptly.

07 | THE CAMPUS

Everything close at hand

The building brings together places to study, stay active, relax and meet people. Use them responsibly and follow the capacity, opening times and safety information displayed in each area.



STUDY	Coworking, quiet areas, high-speed Wi-Fi and classrooms on level -1.
MOVE	Gym, rooftop pool and sports room with pool table, darts and table tennis.
UNWIND	Cinema, PS5 games room, lounges and indoor and outdoor common areas.
SERVICES	24/7 reception, parcel handling, maintenance, overnight security and paid laundry via app or card.

BREAKFAST

If you want breakfast at the residence, have it before your classes begin.

FOOD

Selected food options are available at reception; check current availability.

HOUSEKEEPING

Weekly housekeeping is a basic service: keep your room and kitchen tidy between visits.

LOST PROPERTY AND PARCELS

Ask reception about lost property or deliveries. Parcels can be collected from the desk or available lockers, depending on the carrier.

08 | COMMUNITY

The experience continues after class

At Blau you will live alongside international students and residents. Activities change regularly and create opportunities to practise Spanish, share interests and discover Barcelona with others.



- **Social:** rooftop gatherings, movie nights, shared meals and international events.
- **Wellbeing:** yoga, running crew, gym sessions and activities by the sea.
- **Language:** exchanges, conversation and practical Spanish missions in everyday situations.
- **Culture:** city walks, workshops, local experiences and selected excursions.

Many activities form part of the course experience; some may require payment for admission, transport or refreshments. Always check each event's details.

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



See the live calendar and sign up.
luma.com/blaustudenthousing

INSTAGRAM



Follow everyday life in the community.
[@blaustudenthousing](https://www.instagram.com/blaustudenthousing)

09 | WELLBEING AND CONDUCT

A safe and respectful space

Everyone at Blau is expected to contribute to a kind, inclusive environment that supports learning and shared living. Detailed rules appear in the Residence Rules and Terms and Conditions.



RESPECT

Discrimination, harassment, bullying, threats and aggression are not tolerated.

PRIVACY

Ask permission before photographing, recording or posting images of other people.

RESPONSIBILITY

Look after facilities and materials and follow classroom rules on phones, food and drink.

If you need support

ACADEMIC	Speak to your teacher first. For a level review, timetable issue or formal academic matter, email Admissions.
ACCOMMODATION	Report maintenance, noise, conflict or accommodation concerns directly to reception.
HEALTH	Tell us before travel about medical or accessibility needs. If you become ill, ask reception for guidance and contact your insurer or a healthcare provider.
COMPLAINTS	If an issue remains unresolved, email a written explanation to admissions@blaustudenthousing.com . Contractual matters are handled under the Terms and Conditions.

EMERGENCIES

For a genuine emergency call 112. For an urgent building issue, contact reception on +34 664 098 216. Always follow emergency-service instructions.

10 | LIFE IN BARCELONA

Poblenou, the sea and the city

Blau is in Poblenou's 22@ district, close to the beach, cafés, creative spaces and transport connections. Explore the city with curiosity and a few simple safety habits.



TRANSPORT	Use T-mobilitat or the TMB App to plan journeys and check current ticket options. The Hola Barcelona Travel Card is also available for short visitor stays.
SAFETY	Watch your belongings in busy areas, do not leave your phone or wallet visible and keep a digital copy of your documents.
WEATHER	The climate is Mediterranean: warm summers, mild winters and temperature changes between daytime, evenings and air-conditioned spaces.
LOCAL LIFE	Respect neighbours' quiet time, use bins and recycling points, and remember that both Catalan and Spanish are spoken.

Plan your journeys: [TMB App](#) / [T-mobilitat](#)

Before you leave

- Confirm the check-out time and key-return process with reception.
- Return borrowed materials and report any outstanding damage or issue.
- Complete any final assessment or survey and ask about your certificate.
- If you would like to extend your course or accommodation, ask about availability before your departure date.

11 | QUICK REFERENCE

Keep this page handy

These are the contacts and links you are most likely to use before arrival and during your stay.

YOUR BLAU TEAM

admissions@blaustudenthousing.com | +34 664 098 216

Carrer del Perú 110, 08018 Barcelona, Spain

www.blau-language.com | @blaustudenthousing

RECEPTION	24/7 +34 664 098 216 Arrivals, keys, accommodation and urgent building issues.
ADMISSIONS	admissions@blaustudenthousing.com Course, level, timetable, absence and formal communication.
EMERGENCIES	112 Police, ambulance or fire service in a genuine emergency.
ADDRESS	Carrer del Perú 110, 08018 Barcelona, Spain

Essential links

Blau website: www.blau-language.com

Level Test: [Spanish level test](#)

Events: luma.com/blaustudenthousing

Instagram: [@blaustudenthousing](#)

Map: [Open Blau location](#)

REMEMBER

This handbook is a practical guide and may be updated. Your booking confirmation, Residence Rules and current Terms and Conditions govern the specific details of your stay. If you are unsure, ask before making assumptions.

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