

ACAPULCO, GUERRERO, MEXICO

Location: CEGAIN SCHOOL

Conveniently located on the strip Costera Miguel Aleman where there are numerous hotels, restaurants, shops and beaches within walking distance.

Hotels:

There are a many hotels located within walking distance of the class location. A few of these hotel suggestions are:

GRAND HOTEL
www.grandhotelacapulco.com
011-52-744-469-1234

HOTEL EL CANO
www.hotel-elcano.com
011-52-744-435-1500

EL HOTELITO
www.elhotelito.com.mx/
011-52-744-484-3092
011-52-744-481-3792

HOTEL CASA INN
www.casainn.com.mx/

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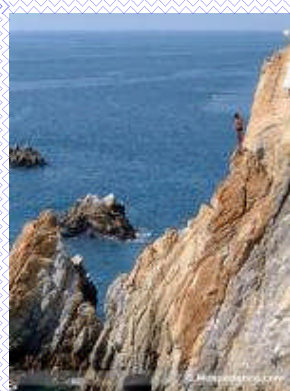
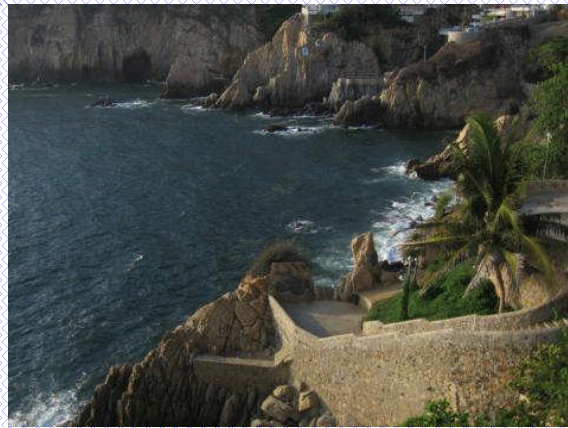
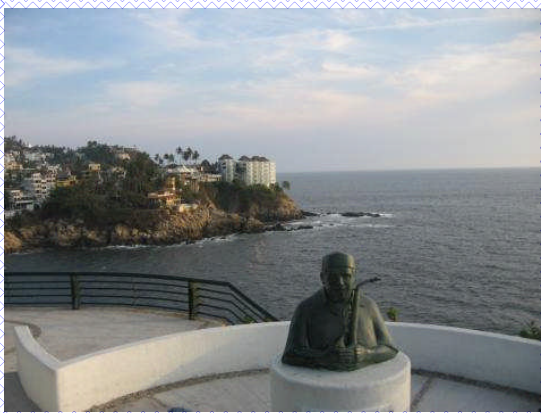
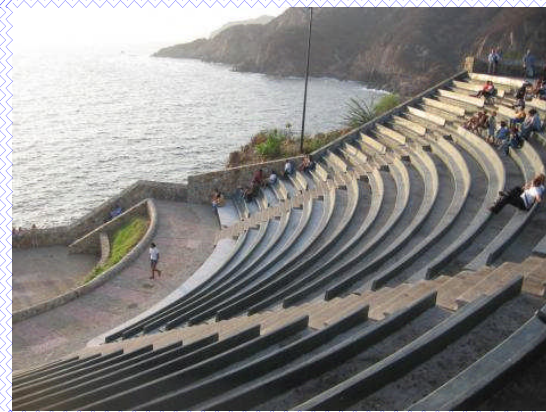


Acapulco is considered a world class resort and is amongst Mexico's most established and renowned tourist destinations. It is situated around an arching bay (Bahia de Acapulco), which is lined with luxury beachfront accommodation, shops, quality Mexican restaurants, as well as beautiful coastal scenery.

Acapulco is known for its endless sunshine, beautiful beaches, enormous hotel complexes, nightclubs, lively bars, as well as historical sights.

Many of the tourist attractions in Acapulco are based around the coastline and include all types of water sports, such as water skiing, parasailing, snorkeling, scuba diving, kayaking, fun banana boat rides and the opportunity to swim with the dolphins. Families have the options to check out the Aca Zoo, Magico Mundo Marino theme park and aquarium, Cici waterpark as well as Parque Papagayo.

In addition, there are a myriad of interesting sights and landmarks, including both historical and modern structures alike. For example, Capilla de la Paz, Acapulco Cathedral, San Diego Fortress, Fortin Alvarez , El Zócalo and the famous clavados at La Quebrada (70 year tradition of professional cliff divers).



The United State Government is now requiring that U.S. Citizens that travel abroad have a Passport in order to RETURN to the United States. Please allow sufficient time to procure one as it takes several weeks. At times a \$15-\$25 visa or entry charge is requested when arriving in Mexico. At times, there is no fee. It generally depends on the political climate at the moment, but, just in case, you may want to come prepared. On Friday eve, at 8:00 pm we will have a welcoming “toast”/ get-together”/ orientation at CEGAIN, and classes will begin on Saturday morning (más o menos) at 8:00 am, after breakfast.

We will have 3 days of classes, one day off (Tuesday), and 4 more days of classes with many activities scheduled. Formal class sessions will end at approximately 1:30-2:00 p.m. each day and you will have “homework” assignments which include going into town to practice your newly acquired skills, as well as work from the textbook and tapes or CDs. Tuesday is a free day and students can arrange for different tours, go shopping, Scuba dive, snorkel, partake in deep sea fishing, join in on nature tours, or go to the beach and be a “lagartija”, etc... **or study!!!** There are many commercial touring operations nearby where you can arrange for the activities you prefer.

Please be sure to bring the following:

1. Standard size cassette or CD player, depending on what you requested. (earphones highly Secluded beach recommended) Needed for Acapulco homework, not in class
2. Spanish-English Pocket Dictionary - (optional – but extremely helpful)
3. Writing material for taking notes
4. Comfortable clothing in general, but at least one semi-formal or professional suit/outfit to be worn when visiting the hospital, residents and/or doctors (i.e. no shorts, sandals or T-shirts, etc. during hospital visits.)

We will send you the Text/Workbook and tapes (or audio CDs - \$20 extra) before hand, but can only do so if you send us your assessment form, which allows us to place you in the proper level.

If you are a total beginner, please study the first chapter, as well as pgs. 31, 34-36 and 39-41 in Chapter 2, and pgs 45-57 in Chapter 3 (the more – the better) before coming to class. In this way, you will surely feel more comfortable the first day. WE ALSO KINDLY REQUEST THAT YOU PLEASE NOT WRITE IN THE BOOKS WE SEND OUT, IN CASE WE MAY NEED TO MAKE A CHANGE ONCE IN CLASS. Thank you for understanding.

Daily Schedule

Classes begin every day at 8:00AM and end approximately at 2:00 PM, thereafter; you are free for lunch on your own. (Lunch is traditionally eaten between 2:00-4:00 pm in Mexico). You will have homework and “townwork” where you will meet and talk to the local population getting directions, acquiring pricing information and availability of medications, products, etc. You will also have the opportunity to observe and/or become involved with the local culture, habits and medical community. In addition, Hospital tours will be arranged for the afternoons.