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| Company Description | <p>Escuela Montalbán – TANDEM Granada has taught Spanish as a foreign language since 1986. Our school is located in Granada, one of the most fascinating cities in Southern Spain. Students from all over the world and of all ages participate in our Spanish language programme all year round. An extensive cultural programme always complements the courses. We are a medium-sized Spanish language school with about 600 students per year. We are accredited by the Spanish Instituto Cervantes and a member of TANDEM International with language schools in Europe and overseas.</p> <p>TANDEM Spain has schools in in San Sebastián, Barcelona, Valencia, Madrid, Granada and Cádiz.</p> |

| Responsible Travel Policy | |
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| Policy Aims | <p>We are a non-profit co-operative organization whose members each participate in the decision-making process of the school. Our permanent teaching team is responsible for the entire Spanish course programme. The school is managed and directed by three coordinators. All of our teachers are native speakers with university degrees, and they are specialists in teaching Spanish as a foreign language. They also participate in teacher training courses in Spain on a regular base, in order to be able to employ the latest learning methods and materials. These courses are paid by the school. All cooperative members receive the same salary.</p> <p>Our aim is to create a lively and stimulating relationship between teachers, coordinators, staff and students. This atmosphere of warmth and sharing ensures rapid progress in a short time.</p> |
| Economic Responsibility | <p>All of the private accommodation offered to students is selected carefully by the school and is within walking distance. The school pays the rents entirely to the accommodations and only charges a small commission to cover the administration expenses.</p> <p>Learning a new language also means learning about a different culture and way of life.</p> <p>In the afternoons and evenings we offer a variety of regular activities including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conferences concerning present-day topics of interest, Moorish culture and Federico García Lorca. • Film sessions dedicated to particular Spanish directors. • Visits to the Arabic bath "Aljibe de San Miguel", theatre and Flamenco concerts. • Guided tours to the Alhambra or the old Moorish quarter of the Albaicín. • Trips to villages in the surrounding area, or to the beach. • Trekking and horse-riding in the Sierra Nevada. • Practical cooking courses to learn about Mediterranean cuisine. <p>All fees paid by the students for cultural activities go entirely to local guides and companies. The school only charges a small commission to cover the administration expenses.</p> |
| Environmental Responsibility | <p>At our school sustainable and responsible have always been parts of our vocabulary. Today, more than ever, we're convinced of the incredible importance of travel. It's only through travelling, through meeting people that we begin to understand that we're all sharing this world. So how do we make that ride not just a quick fairground twirl, but something that we can enjoy for our travelling lives and pass on to future generations? By changing our travel habits and thinking differently about how, where and why we travel.</p> |

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| | <p>Responsible travel means assessing our impact on the environment and local cultures and economies - and acting to make that impact as positive as possible. Escuela Montalbán – TANDEM Granada supports atmosfair.</p> <p>What is atmosfair? Not everyone is either willing or in the position to give up air travel - despite the awareness that this mode of travel contributes significantly to the greenhouse effect. Hence, For people who are concerned in regards to the environmental ramifications of their air travel, this service has now been created: atmosfair.</p> <p>How does atmosfair work? Air-passengers can donate the equivalent amount for the greenhouse gases which were caused by the flight. The funds are invested in solar, hydropower, biomass, or energy-efficiency projects and thereby contributing to neutralize greenhouse gas emissions by the same amount that would be comparable to the aircraft's emissions. Thus, your donation helps to realize these projects!</p> <p>More information on www.atmosfair.com</p> <p>Escuela Montalbán – TANDEM Granada supports WWF.</p> |
| <p>Social Responsibility</p> | <p>As a TANDEM school we endeavour, if requested, to find a suitable language partner from Granada who is learning your native language. This enhances the language learning process, promotes intercultural exchange and encourages autodidactic learning methods. You meet your partner at least once or twice a week and take turns at being student and teacher, sharing the time between the two native languages.</p> <p>Escuela Montalbán – TANDEM Granada works with local non-government organisations in the field of language learning. The school offers on a regular base free Spanish Courses for african immigrants and refugees.</p> <p>Escuela Montalbán – TANDEM Granada supports Amnesty International and Solidaridad Internacional.</p> |