



## Intercultural Student Experiences

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Dear Parent/Teacher/Student

Thank you for inquiring about a travel program with ISE. We have an exciting experience in Mexico for your group. Welcome to the ultimate educational travel adventure.

For 40 years, ISE has helped students enjoy exciting, enriching, safe experiences all over the world with our travel groups. Your travels to Mexico with ISE are designed and organized to immerse students in a new and different culture, give them a new perspective, and open up new possibilities in their lives.

You arrive in Cancun and head to Mérida, where students meet their host families. After a few days of living and learning with a *familia mexicana*, the group meets back up for a trip to magical Chichén Itzá, in the heart of the ancient Mayan Empire. Climb the pyramids, and then cool off at a *cenote*, the prelude to the beaches of the Riviera Maya and the crystal Caribbean. An expert in Spanish language and Mexican culture serves as guide throughout the program.

Here's a sample of your schedule. Your actual itinerary may vary slightly; it will be assigned by ISE in accordance with the family stay community. Daily activities will be chosen by the group leader(s).

You can find additional information on our website, [www.isemn.org](http://www.isemn.org)

We say that ISE programs are "where language matters." That's because we share your passion for language and culture. And it's the reason why language skills are an essential component of any ISE travel experience. Not all travel programs place this kind of emphasis on language, but we think it makes the entire experience abroad richer and more meaningful for students.

Once again, thank you for your interest in ISE. We look forward to working with you.

## Here is a sample itinerary: 2013 SONRISAS YUCATECAS 8-day staff-guided itinerary

Day 1	Depart for Mexico, travel to Merida to begin your Family Stay
Day 2	Family Stay (Meals at home)
Day 3	Family Stay (Meals at home)
Day 4	Family Stay (Meals at home)
Day 5	Last night in the Family Stay (Meals at home)
Day 6	Journey to Riviera Maya, Chichén Itzá (L)
Day 7	Enjoy one last day in Riviera Maya (B)
Day 8	Return to the U.S. (B)

### STUDENT TESTIMONIAL

"I am so glad I went with ISE on this trip, the people, the family stay, the food, the guides, the day visits, my teacher, and my classmates all made this trip a success!"

SPANISH STUDENT, WI



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## 2013 SONRISAS YUCATECAS

Save \$200 when you enroll by June 15!	Spring Departures Feb., March, April	Summer Departures After 5/16
Chicago	\$1835	\$1835
Boston	\$1835	\$1835
Dallas	\$1835	\$1835
Denver	\$1885	\$1885
Detroit	\$1885	\$1885
Kansas City	\$1885	\$1885
Minneapolis	\$1885	\$1885
Portland	\$1935	\$1935
St. Louis	\$1885	\$1885
Seattle	\$1885	\$1885

Additional gateway cities are available; contact ISE for pricing.

### PROGRAM INCLUSIONS

- » Round-trip airfare from cities listed
- » Airline fuel surcharge
- » In-country transportation (air, motorcoach, van, as applicable)
- » All overnight accommodations
- » Meals as indicated on the itinerary: B: Breakfast, L: Lunch, D: Dinner
- » ISE Family Stay
- » Meals at home during the family
- » Entrance fees included per itinerary
- » Insurance (trip cancellation & medical)

### PROGRAM EXCLUSIONS

- » Airline baggage fees
- » Increase in air cost due to requests for specific travel dates or airline
- » Small-group supplement
- » Passport, visa or other document costs
- » Transportation to/from U.S. departure city
- » Any meals not indicated on itineraries
- » Activities listed as optional
- » Tips for guide and/or driver
- » Spending money and gifts

## Payment Schedule

### Spring Programs: March, April

### Summer Programs: June, July

June 15 (Early Bird) October 15 (Final)	\$350 Due with application	June 15 (Early Bird) November 1 (Final)	\$350 Due with application
November 15	\$900	December 15	\$800
January 10	Balance	February 1	\$900
		March 15	Balance

### Visit [www.isemn.org/registration](http://www.isemn.org/registration) for more information about:

- » Financial Aid
- » Alternate payment schedules for departures in February and May
- » Making credit card payments online (after the initial deposit)
- » Insurance coverage
- » Alternate travel arrangements
- » Late fees
- » Cancellation Schedule

### HOW TO APPLY

Applications may be downloaded from our website if not included with this itinerary. Submit the following by the Early Bird (June 15) or Final Deadline (Oct. 15 / Nov. 1):

- » a complete Program & Family Stay Application
- » a \$350 deposit (check or money order)
- » a "Dear Family" letter with two photos

After the initial deposit, all future payments may be made online with a credit card. Login instructions are mailed to all participants upon enrollment.