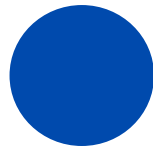


## Teacher responsibilities

- Teaching and performing with the same high standards as local colleagues
- Collaborating with schools and departments on activities and initiatives
- Paying for travel expenses to and from Spain and accommodation during the school year
- Complying with J-1 visa requirements



## District responsibilities

- Providing assistance and orientation upon teachers' arrival
- Granting a fulltime one-year-long teaching position as a teacher of record
- Ensuring pay and benefits consistent with teachers' education and experience
- Providing a school mentor



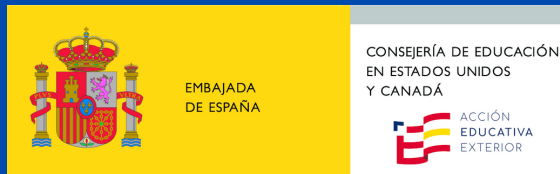
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# The Visiting Teachers from Spain Program

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## Our program

The Visiting Teachers from Spain Program is part of the BridgeUSA initiative of the U.S. Department of State. It is a cultural exchange program based on cooperation between educational agents from Spain and the United States.

Hundreds of teachers participate in this cultural exchange every year in K-12 schools in over 30 states.



## Impact on the school community

- Offers students language input from native teachers
- Creates a multicultural and diverse atmosphere in the classroom
- Brings a new perspective to teaching models
- Facilitates intercultural contact between students from different countries and backgrounds
- Addresses the high demand of teachers in the United States

## Recruitment process

- Applicant qualifications and experience verified by the Ministry of Education of Spain
- State Departments of Education and school district representatives recruit teachers
- Selected teachers apply for a J-1 Cultural Exchange visa
- Teaching licenses are issued for international teachers in each state



## Spanish Education Office responsibilities

- Program coordination
- Yearly application call and candidate screenings
- Management of the recruitment process
- Ongoing support to districts and teachers



## Visa sponsor responsibilities

- Issuing DS-2019 Forms for the J-1 Visa
- Providing teachers with information on the legal conditions of the program
- Ensuring that exchange teachers and their host schools abide by the program rules and requirements
- Managing and coordinating the program in conjunction with the Education Office of the Embassy of Spain