

COMMUNIQUE

Africa Español Como Lengua Extranjera - "ELE AFRICA 2018"

Applications are invited from Mauritian tourist guides and undergraduate and graduate students to study Spanish in Colombia from July to November 2018.

2. Overview

2.1 ELE Africa aims at fostering the mutual understanding, trust, political dialogue and friendly cooperation between Colombia and the African countries through the teaching of Spanish in order to promote the linguistic, cultural and touristic values of Colombia.

2.2 In 2018, the Government of Colombia decided to implement this initiative in the terms detailed below:-

(a) Number of Scholarships

16 scholarships will be offered for tourist guides and undergraduate and graduate students from African countries interested in learning Spanish.

(b) Training activities

The course will be offered for one academic semester (approximately 17 weeks) and will be held at Colombian universities recognized for the high quality of their Spanish as a Foreign Language Program.

Required Profile

- Be tourist guides or students who have outstanding academic results and are enrolled in the last academic year of the Undergraduate course or in a Postgraduate course.
- Have a good knowledge of English (certified level B1 minimum)
- Have good physical and mental health.
- Have the necessary resources to cover the costs of the first month of their stay in Colombia. It is suggested a minimum amount of US \$ 600 (six hundred US Dollars).
- Have the necessary resources to cover for the costs of the Colombian Alien ID, approximately US \$ 70 (seventy US Dollars).
- Not to have participated in the previous versions of ELE initiatives offered by the Colombian Government, developed since 2013.

Note: Knowledge of basic Spanish (level A1) will be positively valued.
Possession of a valid USA or Schengen Visa will be positively valued.

3. Age Limit

Candidates should have been born between January 1, 1978 and December 31, 1998.

4. Additional Information

Details regarding the scholarship offers and the modalities for applications can be obtained on the following websites:-

www.cancilleria.gov.co/diplomacy/convocatory/extranjeros

or

the website of the Embassy of Colombia in South Africa:-

<http://sudafrica.embajada.gov.co>

5. Deadline of Application

The closing date for submission of application is **18 May 2018**.

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