

PORTUGALIA

11.03 - 16.03.2024

THE PORTUGUESE EDUCATION SYSTEM

SCHOOL VISITS IN PORTO

Visit Portuguese schools and educational institutions, observe teachers at work, and engage in conversation with principals, teachers, and students about school life and the country's educational system.

Portugal's educational system is regulated across all schools by the State (more specifically, by the Ministry of Education). The national Higher Education system is fully integrated into the European Higher Education Area (EHEA). Starting at age 6, compulsory school lasts 12 years; and includes particularly specialized learning courses from the ages of 14/15.

Not only will participants have the opportunity to learn in-depth information on the Portuguese educational system during this course, but they will also visit Portuguese schools and educational institutions, observe teachers at work, and engage in conversation with principals, teachers, and students about school life and the country's educational system.

Furthermore, during the school tours, participants may also have the opportunity to establish contacts between principals and participants to launch future Erasmus+ projects, which solidifies one of the oldest objectives of the Erasmus+ program: sharing knowledge and experiences, interculturally!

In preparation for the study visits, this course has a theoretical component where the trainer will lecture participants on the history, culture, and educational system of Portugal. At the same time, participants will also learn about the city's culture within the classroom and with outdoor activities.

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Objectives

The purpose of this training course is to provide teachers or adult educators with an in-depth knowledge of the Portuguese Education system, namely daily school life, teaching methods, culture and other processes. This will enable them to get an idea of different teaching practices and ideally apply them to support creative tactics and activities in the educational community.

Learning Outcomes

- Develop knowledge on other Education systems, specifically Portugal's
- Become familiar with different tools for Education methods
- Develop critical reflection on the teaching profession's professional development in other cultures
- Get involved in practical sharing activities supported by a supportive environment
- Plan and create in-class activities that foster the development of the teaching staff and, at the same time, of the students
- Apply and/or adapt different concepts, ideas, and teaching methodologies to the ones practised in their home country
- Learn more about Portugal's and Porto's culture, heritage and society
- Facilitate experience and cultural exchanges between European participants and Portuguese teaching personnel, which results in a fruitful international experience
- Enhance communicative competences in English and social skills;

- Promote intercultural awareness
- Identify & share good practices that can be implemented at a local level.

Learning Together charges for a 6-day course: **480 euros per participant.**

Summing up, the price includes:

- Welcome dinner to meet your new colleagues;
- Learning Together's Welcome Kit;
- Daily program designed by our trainers;
- Daily breakfast/coffee break;
- Learning validation;
- Europass Mobility validation;
- Certification.
- Logistic, organizational and administrative support from headquarters;
- Daily on-call support throughout the whole week;
- Daily assistance and suggestions (restaurants, sightseeing, hospitals...)

DAILY SCHEDULE:

DAY 1

- Welcome dinner, icebreaking
- Meet & greet, networking – participants and staff
- Week briefing & planning

DAY 2

- Introduction: course and activities throughout the week (e.g. planned visits, schedules, objectives, schools' profile and information)
- Icebreaker activities
- Participants' school presentation
- The Portuguese Educational System
- Structure and School Content
- New Approaches to Education
- Case Examples: Comparison between Portugal and other countries Discussion, renewal and innovation in professional practice.
- Preparing Q&A session

DAY 3

- Visit to School N°1
- Job shadowing activities
- Q&A

DAY 4

- Visit to School N°2
- Job shadowing activities
- Q&A

DAY 5

- Discussion and Reflection
- Learning points from each school visit
- Porto & Portuguese Culture, Heritage and Society
- Group Work
- Presentation Preparation

DAY 6

- Presentations
- Future cooperation and planning follow-up activities (discussion)
- Course roundup & review
- Learning outcomes' validation
- Certification Ceremony