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**FC BARCELONA
HIGH-PERFORMANCE
WINTER HOLIDAY
SOCCER CAMP
2019/2020**

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Location: Casa Grande, Arizona, USA

Ages: 10—17 (boys only)

Level: Advanced

The FC Barcelona High-performance Winter Holiday Soccer Camp takes place in Casa Grande, Arizona at perhaps the most successful [residential soccer academy in the USA](#). In fact, it's the only full-time residential US Soccer Development Academy (USSDA) in the US partnered with a top international professional team. Furthermore, every full-time student who has passed through the academy has earned a scholarship or a professional contract.

When the academy's full-time students go home for their winter holiday break, the academy hosts a camp for boys from 10 - 17 years old who play at an advanced/elite level. Every year, elite student-athletes from all around the world attend the FC Barcelona High-performance Winter Holiday Soccer Camp to train with official coaches from the club. Participants learn to play according to the club's highly successful methodology and philosophy. Do you want to learn FC Barcelona's secret formula for success?



ACADEMY HISTORY



The FC Barcelona High-performance Academy is a partnership between FC Barcelona, one of the greatest soccer clubs in the world, and the Grande Sports Academy of the United States Soccer Development Academy (USSDA). It's the only full-time residential academy in the US partnered with a top international soccer club.

Since the Grande Sports Academy was established in 2010, they've celebrated incredible success. Every alumnus to pass through the academy has either earned a scholarship to compete on a US collegiate team or signed a professional contract. Their success has earned them a stellar reputation with collegiate coaches and professional coaches throughout the country. If you'd like to further your soccer career in the US, the FC Barcelona High-performance Academy in Arizona is the right choice for you.

TRAINING

Skill level: Advanced

Additional soccer education: Same training regime as students at La Masia, Personal evaluation at the conclusion of camp

Students per training group: 16—20 students

Training language: Training is always in English (Some coaches speak Spanish)

Training intensity:



Training at the academy is entirely based on FC Barcelona's highly successful methodology and philosophy. In fact, academy coaches come directly from La Masia to the academy to teach FC Barcelona's secret formula for success. The Winter Holiday Soccer Camp at the academy is the perfect opportunity for young, talented soccer players to learn what makes the club so successful.

Winter camp participants work on their technique, game intelligence, and physical fitness and practice the same drills and methods as full-time students at La Masia. They practice on exceptionally well-kept grass fields and use the academy's indoor training gym to work on technique. Coaches also organize didactic scrimmages to develop the participants' game intelligence and help them see the field through the eyes of an FC Barcelona soccer player.

Some of the best players from all around the world attend the academy's winter camp which means camp participants should expect to be challenged. After one week of intensive training with FC Barcelona coaches alongside some of the country's most talented young athletes, participants greatly improve their technique, vision, game intelligence, physical fitness, and speed of play.



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TRAINING FACILITIES

Training surface: Natural turf

Additional training facilities: Performance center (open space for training and gym equipment for physical conditioning), Hot and cold plunge pools, Physical therapy center, Professional caliber locker rooms

Quality: ★★★★★



The training facilities at the FC Barcelona High-performance Academy are among the best in the country. In fact, US Soccer has named them the “Best training facilities” three years in a row.

Participants in the Winter Holiday Soccer Camp practice on beautiful, well-groomed grass fields and make use of the academy’s 58,000 square foot state-of-the-art performance center for technical training and conditioning.

COACHES

Licenses: A USSF (US Soccer Federation) Licence, UEFA (Union of European Football Associations) Pro License

Coaching experience: 8+ years coaching youth FC Barcelona Teams at La Masia, 10+ years coaching America’s best youth teams

Playing experience: Professional playing experience

Languages: English and Spanish

The coaching staff at the FC Barcelona High-performance Academy includes both official US Soccer Development Academy (USSDA) coaches and official FC Barcelona coaches. The coaches affiliated with the USSDA have over 10 years of experience coaching America’s best youth soccer teams. The official FC Barcelona coaches have over 8 years of experience coaching the youth teams at La Masia.

All coaches teach according to FC Barcelona’s methodology and philosophy. In fact, official club directors visit the academy twice a year to make sure the coaches are following the club’s guidelines.



ACCOMMODATION

Name of facilities: Francisco Grande Hotel and Golf Resort

Location: Adjacent to the fields (balcony view of training fields)

Type of rooms: Double (each with 2 queen beds) - 2 students per room

Bathroom: Private

Quality: ★★★★★

Participants in the Winter Holiday Soccer Camp find accommodation at the Francisco Grande Hotel and Golf Resort - a nine-story, tower-style hotel located adjacent to the academy's training fields and golf course.

During the Winter Holiday Soccer Camp, the academy reserves a couple of floors exclusively for camp participants. They stay in comfortable and spacious double rooms which include two queen-size double beds, a flat-screen TV, closet space, and a beautiful private bathroom with marble countertops. Each room in the tower also has a spacious, inviting balcony with expansive views of the soccer fields, golf course, and Arizona mountains.

Common areas in the residence include the hotel lobby, an outdoor swimming pool (in the shape of a baseball bat), a restaurant and dining area, and various conference rooms.

While at camp, the participants enjoy nutritious and delicious buffet-style dining. All meals are especially prepared with young athletes in mind to make sure they get the energy they need to perform their best. The academy also accommodates various special menu options such as vegetarian, gluten-free, vegan, etc.

During the Winter Holiday Soccer Camp, participants enjoy a special New Years' Eve holiday meal together to celebrate the new year.



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SAFETY AT THE CAMP/ACADEMY

The academy's location is one of its strongest assets in terms of safety. The campus is located 5 miles outside of the city of Casa Grande, and all of the facilities are located on the same campus. Students walk to and from the residence and the soccer fields. In fact, they can see the training fields from their hotel room balcony.

The FC Barcelona High-performance Academy takes safety seriously. They employ 135 staff members (with required background checks) to look after the young athletes during their stay. Monitors perform room checks every night and call roll every morning so they know where camp participants are at all times.

The academy also makes sure an athletic trainer and a physical therapist are on-site as the participants train. That way they can attend to injuries quickly. In the event of serious injury or illness, the nearest hospital is located just 8 miles away.



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The FC Barcelona High-performance Winter Holiday Soccer Camp is the perfect opportunity for advanced/elite young soccer players to learn FC Barcelona's secret formula for success. Students train with official FC Barcelona coaches from La Masia (FC Barcelona's official youth academy) and are treated like professional soccer players while at the academy. Coaches, monitors, and teachers expect students to demonstrate respect, discipline, hard work, sportsmanship, and leadership and work hard to instill these values in the students. Not to mention, the academy is safe and professional and features state-of-the-art training facilities and accommodation.

About the full-time program

"To be part of this program is more than just being on a team. It's a camaraderie, a fellowship, and a family, and though we all come from different backgrounds and lifestyles, we make it work because we find on common ground—the love for the most amazing sport in the world."

~ EG



PROGRAM OBJECTIVES



To train with some of the best coaches and young soccer players in the world



To live a unique experience at the only residential soccer academy in the USA partnered with a top international team



To get to know the methodology of FC Barcelona with official coaches from their famous youth academy - La Masia



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Training facilities and accommodation located on the same campus. Just a short walk from the residence to the soccer fields which means maximum security for the students.



An exceptionally unique international experience and a great opportunity to experience complete linguistic immersion. Interested in learning English? Learn alongside some of the best soccer players from all around the world.



Intensive training for advanced/elite soccer players. Train with experienced and qualified coaches alongside some of the most talented young athletes in the world.



Top-of-the-line training facilities and accommodation. Students train on exceptionally well-kept fields and find accommodation in luxurious residences fit for professional soccer players.

THIS PROGRAM IS FOR YOU IF...

- You're a fan of FC Barcelona and want to learn more about their philosophy, methodology, and style of play
- You're interested in attending a full-time program at the FC Barcelona High-performance Academy
- Your ideal winter holiday vacation would be playing soccer all day at what US Soccer calls "The best training facilities in the nation"
- You train at an advanced level and are used to practicing at least three times a week

THIS PROGRAM IS NOT FOR YOU IF...

- You are not used to training for many hours a day and/or don't play at an advanced level
- You have no interest in learning according to the methodology of FC Barcelona



PRICES AND DATES

Prices include the training program, accommodation, and full room and board.

Basic Description

For advanced soccer players (boys only) from 10 to 17 years old who want to spend their winter holiday break improving their skills at one of the most successful soccer academies in the United States.

Start dates

One start date available:

[December 31, 2019 – January 5, 2020](#)

Price

[2243€](#)



The official rate of this camp is determined in **US DOLLARS**, so the final amount in **EUROS** may vary slightly due to the fluctuation of both currencies.

EXTRA SERVICES

You can purchase one of the extra services below at an additional cost:

Extra services

- [Standard transfer service](#) (transportation to the camp from the closest airport or train station) – 75\$ one way
- [Unaccompanied Minor](#) (a monitor with the student during their flight) - Ask Ertheo
- [Travel/medical insurance](#) - Ask Ertheo
- [Cancellation insurance](#) - Ask Ertheo

Transportation to the camp (flights/trains) not included.

Nearest airports/train station:

- Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport—75\$ one way

Other available destinations

- None

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HOW TO SIGN UP

Interested in signing up? Click **Ask Ertheo** or talk to one of our Sports Program Consultants about the program. Or click **Sign up now** to receive a personalized quote and start the registration process.

Our clients who ask for our guidance are much more satisfied with their overall experience. Talk to one of our consultants before you choose a program to make sure you're making the right decision.

Option 1 (RECOMMENDED)*

1. Click **Ask Ertheo** to fill out a short questionnaire and ask any question you might have about the program.

2. **Discuss your options and questions** with one of our Sports Program Consultants.

3. **Select a program** and receive a personalized quote.

4. **Make the first payment** to start the registration process.

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Option 2

1. Click **Sign up now** to receive a personalized quote.

2. **Receive a personalized quote** along with additional information about the program.

3. **Make the first payment** to start the registration process.

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ABOUT ERTHEO

At Ertheo, we believe that as much as young athletes deserve the chance to be successful, parents deserve to feel confident that they've made the right decision to support their child's development as athletes, scholars, and as people. That's why we made it our mission not only to offer and endorse the best youth sports programs in the world for athletic improvement and personal development, but also to provide athletes and their parents with expert advice for choosing the right program to support their goals.



HOW DO WE DO IT

Careful selection - Your athletic improvement, academic success, and personal growth are important to us. We want to make sure that all of our programs support your goals, and of course, that all our programs are safe. That's why, when we're considering offering a new program, we visit the academy's facilities, talk to the coaches and camp directors, and get feedback from past participants. If we like what we see and hear, we'll offer and endorse their programs. If not, we won't offer them to you.

Thorough research - We thoroughly research all our programs so we know which ones are best for your athletic improvement, academic success, and growth as a person. We research the knowledge and experience of the coaches, the skill level of camp participants, the number of players in each training group, the hours of training per week, the coaching methodologies, etc. Then, we use our expertise to help you choose the right program for your personal objectives.

Helpful relations - When we begin working with a camp or academy, we immediately begin building a relationship with them. We do this so we can help each other improve, and so we can provide you with a better experience. Ertheo students are a priority for the camps and academies. If you come to us with questions or concerns during your time at camp, we'll contact the camp or academy for you to help solve the problem. Our relationships with our program providers help us guarantee that our students are satisfied with their overall experience.



Youth sports programs - We offer and endorse the best youth sports programs in the world. All our programs ensure athletic improvement, academic development, and personal growth and prepare students for success in all three areas. [See all programs](#)



Professional guidance - We provide comprehensive, sincere, and personalized customer service to help athletes and their parents choose the right program to improve their skills and achieve their goals.



Additional resources - We provide all our students with additional resources to help them reach their full potential in sports, education, and in life.

Thank you for choosing Ertheo!



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Do you have any questions? We'd be happy to help.
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