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Cartagena-Murcia 2024

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The Historical Sociolinguistics Network ([HiSoN](#)) and the University of Murcia will organise the annual [HiSoN Summer School](#) from 15th to 21st July 2024 in the town of [Cartagena](#) (Murcia, Spain).

The summer schools organised by the Historical Sociolinguistics Network offer classes by leading experts on modern and historical sociolinguistics. There is space for only 50 graduate students and young (at heart!) researchers so you are advised to book early. The courses will be taught in English.

The summer school lasts for one week with arrival on Sunday 14 July, classes from Monday to Saturday, and departure on Sunday 21 July in the morning. During the week, there will also be an excursion. You will have the opportunity to present your own research at a special session. For the 16th HiSoN Summer School the teachers and topics will be:

- [David Britain](#) (University of Bern, Switzerland): *Using the past to reveal the assumptions of the present: the role of peers and parents in the transmission of dialect norms.*
- [Olga Ivanova](#) (University of Salamanca, Spain): *Language change across geographical varieties: Understanding the evolution of European and American Spanish.*
- [Brian Joseph](#) (Ohio State University, U.S.A.): *The historical sociolinguistics of the Balkans.*
- [Javier Martín-Arista](#) (University of La Rioja, Spain): *Corpus processing for English Historical Sociolinguistics.*
- [Simon Pickl](#) (Paris Lodron Universität Salzburg, Austria): *Research methods and data sources in Historical Sociolinguistics.*
- [Markus Schiegg](#) (University of Leipzig, Germany): *German and British patient letters as sources for Historical Sociolinguistics.*
- [Olivia Walsh](#) (University of Nottingham, England): *Good language, bad language? Multilingual perspectives on language standards, language variation, and language attitudes and ideologies.*

There will be six hours (3 x 2-hour sessions) of teaching every day (4 in the morning, 2 in the early evening, with afternoons free for beach-time, tourism or reading pleasure). On the Wednesday there will be a full day excursion to the city of [Murcia](#).

Location: [Cartagena](#) (Murcia, Spain)

Cartagena is an attractive town, on the Mediterranean coast, with fantastic weather and food, cruise ship stops, Roman theatre ruins, naval museum, local festival activities, etc. Cartagena is the second largest municipality in the Region of Murcia and a major naval station by the Mediterranean coast. Cartagena has been inhabited for over two millennia, being founded around 227 BC by the [Carthaginian Hasdrubal the Fair](#). The city lived its golden days during the [Roman Empire](#), when it was known as **Carthago Nova** (the New Carthage) and **Carthago Spartaria**, capital of the province of [Carthaginiensis](#). Much of the historical weight of Cartagena in the past goes to its coveted defensive port, one of the most important in the western Mediterranean. Situated at the hub of the principal Mediterranean commercial and passenger sea routes, Cartagena is now established as a major cruiser destination in the Mediterranean and an emerging cultural focus.



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Venue:

The venue (for classes and meals) will be the [Escuela Técnica Superior de Ingeniería Industrial \(ETSII, Campus Muralla del Mar\)](#) at the [Cartagena Polytechnic University](#), C/ Doctor Fleming, s/n. 30202 Cartagena).

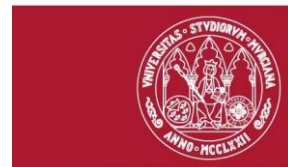


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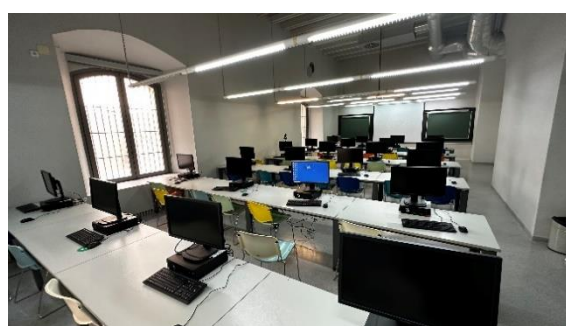
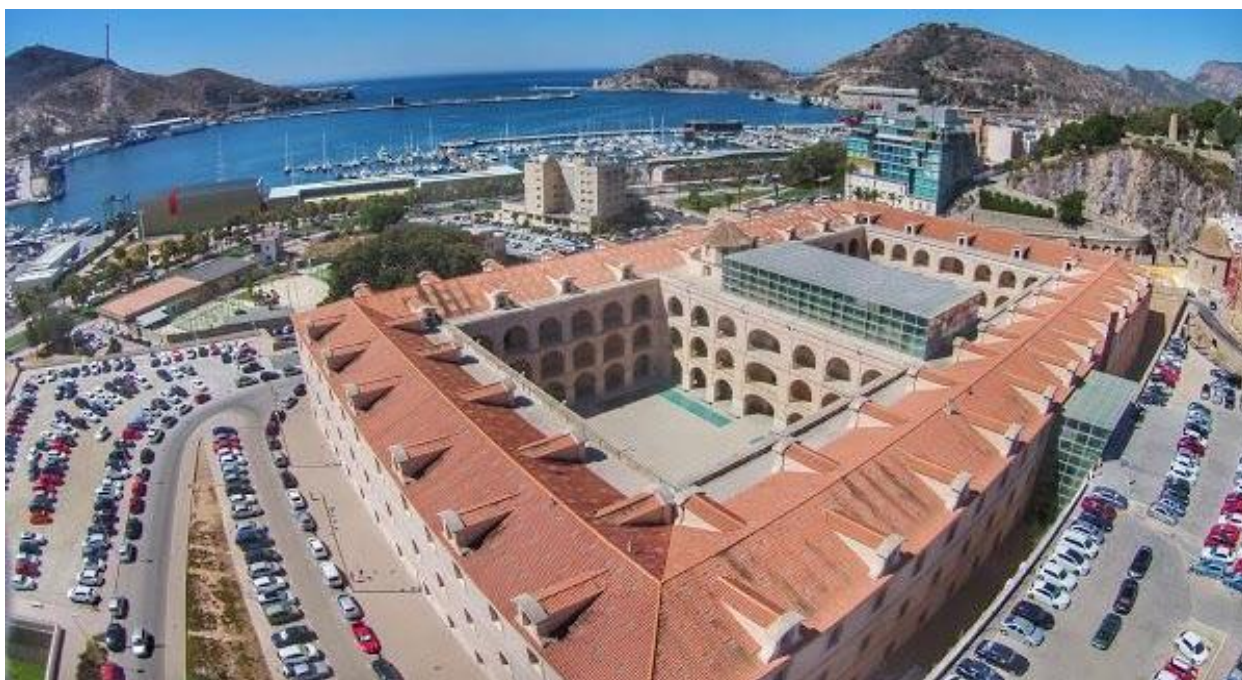
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Accommodation:

The accommodation will be provided in [MiCampus Residence](#) of the Cartagena Polytechnic University ([UPCT](#)), (Calle Sor Francisca Armendáriz, 6, 30202 Cartagena, Spain), just 10-minute walk from the venue of the HiSoN Summer School ([Escuela Técnica Superior de Ingeniería Industrial](#)) and also from the town centre.



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Registration

Registration includes housing, two meals (breakfast and lunch), tuition, and the excursion. The fee for participation is € 650. Since there is only room for 50 participants, applications will be treated on a ‘first come, first served’ basis, taking also into account research interests.

Follow the links to get to the webpage of the [HiSoN Summer School](#) and the [Registration Form](#) now.

Travel information

By plane, it's only a 30-minute trip from Murcia International Airport or a 60-minute trip from Alicante Airport (this last one has more international connections). There are trains and buses from Madrid, Barcelona, Murcia and Alicante to Cartagena.

Organisation

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More information (course abstracts and readings) will follow soon. In case of questions, contact JuanMa Hernández-Campoy or Gijsbert Rutten.

Sponsors

- [University of Murcia](#)
- [Cartagena Polytechnic University](#)
- [Leiden University Centre for Linguistics](#) (LUCL)
- [Vrije Universiteit Brussels](#)
- Historical Sociolinguistics Research and Training program ([FWO-Flanders](#))



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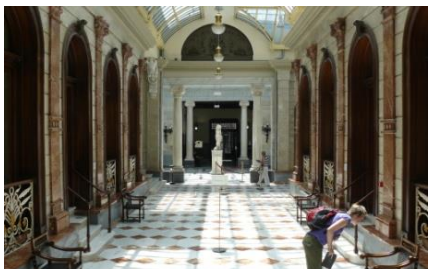


Travelling in Murcia

The [Autonomous Region of Murcia](#) is a single-province region located in the south-east of Spain, lying between the regions of Valencia, Castile-La Mancha, Andalusia and the Mediterranean. There is also a first class gastronomic culture, touristic tradition, and production of wine.

This southeastern region has historically been a transition area where many different cultures and civilizations have met (Iberians, Carthaginians, Phoenicians, Greeks, Romans, Visigoths, Muslims, Jews, Castilians, Aragonese, Catalans and Genovese, and now Germans and Brits, mainly). Dialectologically speaking, this has meant an area of dialects in contact, in such a way that the Spanish spoken in Murcia is a transition variety that shares features with Valencian Catalan, Castilian, Aragonese and Andalusian Spanish.

Murcia City is the capital of the Region with about 650,000 inhabitants, the 6th largest city in Spain; it is a university city that is also monumental and artistic, enabling you to find architectural jewels of great beauty. There is a blend of architectural styles ranging from Castilian Gothic and Renaissance to Baroque and Neoclassical influences, and its main façade (1736-1754) is considered a masterpiece of the Spanish Baroque style. There are also a number of baroque and modernist buildings. The Casino is a blend of neobaroque, modernist and neoclassical styles.



The sunshine tourism is an important offer of the Region, with its coastal areas. The greatest natural [lake](#) of [Spain](#) can be found in the region: the [Mar Menor](#) (Small Sea) lagoon. It is a [salt](#)



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water lagoon, adjacent to the Mediterranean Sea. Its special ecological and natural characteristics make the Mar Menor a unique natural place and the largest saltwater lake in Europe.



The town of **Lorca**, with its medieval fortress and its Renaissance buildings, is also a special attraction. In the Middle Ages Lorca was the frontier town between Christian and Muslim Spain. Even earlier to that during the Roman period it was ancient Ilura or Heliocroca of the Romans.





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Caravaca de la Cruz is a beautiful town in the northwest of Murcia, in the mountains (Highlands), which is home to monuments and museums, with its medieval Knights Templar's towers and the Renaissance buildings, many of which are important tourist attractions. It is the Fifth [Holy City](#) of Catholic Christianity. Towering above the town is the medieval Castle of Santa Cruz, that is said to contain a piece of the miraculous True Cross, which is supposed to have a healing power.

