

SPAN-SPANISH (SPAN)

SPAN 1110. Spanish I

4 Credits (4)

Designed for students with little exposure to Spanish, this course develops basic listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills and basic intercultural competence in interpretive, interpersonal and presentational modes of communication at the Novice Level of proficiency based on ACTFL guidelines. During this course, students perform better and stronger in the Novice Mid level while some abilities emerge in the Novice High range. This is an introductory course aimed at helping the student to communicate in Spanish in everyday familiar situations via recognition and production of practiced or memorized words, phrases, and simple sentences.

Prerequisite(s): language placement and/or assessment by departmental examination.

Learning Outcomes

1. Students can communicate on very familiar topics using a variety of words and phrases that they have practiced and memorized.
2. Students can present information about myself and some other very familiar topics using a variety of words, phrases, and memorized expressions.
3. Students can write short messages and notes on familiar topics related to everyday life.
4. Students can often understand words, phrases, and simple sentences related to everyday life.
5. Students can recognize pieces of information and some-times understand the main topic of what is being said.
6. Students can understand familiar words, phrases, and sentences within short and simple texts related to everyday life.
7. Students can sometimes understand the main idea of what they have read.

SPAN 1120. Spanish II

4 Credits (4)

Designed for students with some degree of exposure to Spanish in high school and/or at home, this course continues to develop basic listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills and basic intercultural competence in interpretive, interpersonal and presentational modes of communication based at the Novice High Level of proficiency based on ACTFL guidelines, although a few abilities may emerge in the Intermediate Low Level. Students in this course communicate in Spanish in familiar topics using a variety of words, phrases, simple sentences and questions that have been highly practiced and memorized.

Prerequisite: language placement and/or assessment by departmental examination or a C- or better in SPAN 1110.

Learning Outcomes

1. Students can participate in conversations on a number of familiar topics using simple sentences.
2. Students can handle short social interactions in everyday situations by asking and answering simple questions.
3. Students can present basic information on familiar topics using language they have practiced using phrases and simple sentences.
4. Students can write briefly about most familiar topics and present information using a series of simple sentences.
5. Students can understand the main idea in short, simple messages and presentations on familiar topics.
6. Students can understand the main idea of simple conversations that they overhear.

7. Students can understand the main idea of short and simple texts when the topic is familiar.

SPAN 1210. Elementary Spanish for Heritage Learners I

3 Credits (3)

This is a beginning-level Spanish course designed for students who have a cultural connection to the Spanish language. Some students have had very little exposure to the language and enter the class to develop beginning-level skills. Other students may have grown up hearing the heritage language in the community and may understand some Spanish and speak at a basic level as a result. The objective is to draw upon the connection to the heritage language as a source of motivation and engagement for our learning communities. At the same time, we build upon the language base that students may already have as a result of their heritage learner experience in order to develop new proficiencies in Spanish and reactivate the Spanish that students have learned previously. By the end of this course, students will be able to describe their home, campus surroundings and common activities including cultural traditions. At the same time, students gain cultural competency and develop a critical understanding of their linguistic and cultural background. Students who have previously earned a C or better in SPAN 1110 or SPAN 1120 may not receive credit for this course.

Learning Outcomes

1. Interpersonal Communication: Students can engage in exchanges in culturally appropriate ways using understandable pronunciation on familiar topics using contextualized words, phrases, common idiomatic expressions, and simple sentences.
2. Written expression: Students can write an essay/poem/story/creative sketch/lyric in the target language that describes a past/present/future (fictional) event to the reader.
3. Interpretive listening: Students can understand familiar questions and statements from simple sentences in conversations.
4. Interpretive reading: Students can identify the topic and some isolated facts from simple sentences in informational and fictional texts.
5. Critical cultural awareness: Students can recognize and explain some of the issues facing bilingual communities in accordance to the instructor expertise and articulation with subsequent courses.

SPAN 1220. Spanish for Heritage Learners II

3 Credits (3)

Spanish as a Heritage Language II is a second semester class designed for students who have developed some basic Spanish proficiency from previous classes and/or from community experiences. This course provides students with the opportunity to develop their proficiency in the four language skills (speaking, listening, reading, and writing). Class activities are designed to strengthen oral communication skills (speaking and listening) through a variety of group activities. By the end of the course students will be able to understand and produce narrations of past events in oral and written Spanish. In order to foster a desire to revitalize and maintain the Spanish language in the US context we attempt to raise students' critical awareness of what it means to be part of a specific speech community.

Learning Outcomes

1. Interpersonal Communication: Students can engage in basic but authentic conversations through providing and obtaining information, expressing likes and dislikes, describing their daily lives, and narrating simple events in the past.
2. Written expression: Students can write an essay/poem/story/creative sketch/lyric in the target language, and that describes a past (fictional) event to the reader.

3. Interpretive listening: can identify the main idea in short conversations.
4. Interpretive reading: Students can identify the topic and related information from simple sentences in short informational and fictional texts.
5. Critical cultural awareness: Students can recognize and explain some of the issues facing bilingual communities in accordance to the instructor expertise and articulation with previous and subsequent courses.

SPAN 2110. Spanish III

3 Credits (3)

This course is based on the integration of learning outcomes across Interpersonal, Interpretive, and Presentational Modes of Communication at the Intermediate Low Level of proficiency based on ACTFL guidelines. Students accomplish real-world communicative tasks in culturally appropriate ways as they gain familiarity with the target culture(s). This is an intermediate course aimed at helping the student to communicate in Spanish on familiar topics about self, others and everyday life at the same time that they recognize and handle short social interactions in interactions in everyday situations by asking and answering a variety of questions.

Prerequisite: language placement and assessment by departmental examination or C or better in SPAN 1120.

Learning Outcomes

1. Students can participate in conversations on familiar topics using sentences and series of sentences.
2. Students can handle short social interactions in everyday situations by asking and answering a variety of questions.
3. Students can usually say what they want to say about themselves and their everyday life.
4. Students can make presentations on a wide variety of familiar topics using connected sentences
5. Students can write on a wide variety of familiar topics using connected sentences.
6. Students can understand the main idea in messages and presentations on a variety of topics related to everyday life and personal interests and studies.
7. Students can understand the main idea in conversations that they overhear.
8. Students can understand the main idea of texts related to everyday life and personal interests or studies.

SPAN 2120. Spanish IV

3 Credits (3)

This course is based on the integration of learning outcomes across Interpersonal, Interpretive, and Presentational Modes of Communication at the Intermediate Low Level of proficiency based on ACTFL guidelines. Students accomplish real-world communicative tasks in culturally appropriate ways as they gain familiarity with the target culture(s). This is an intermediate course aimed at helping the student to communicate in Spanish on familiar topics about self, others and everyday life at the same time that they recognize and handle short social interactions in interactions in everyday situations by asking and answering a variety of questions.

Prerequisite: language placement and assessment by departmental examination or C or better in SPAN 2110.

Learning Outcomes

1. Students can participate with ease and confidence in conversations on familiar topics.

2. Students can usually talk about events and experiences in various time frames.
3. Students can usually describe people, places, and things.
4. Students can handle social interactions in everyday situations, sometimes even when there is an unexpected complication.
5. Students can make presentations in a generally organized way on school, work, and community topics, and on topics they have researched.
6. Students can make presentations on some events and experiences in various time frames.
7. Students can write on topics related to school, work, and community in a generally organized way.
8. Students can write some simple paragraphs about events and experiences in various time frames.
9. Students can easily understand the main idea in messages and presentations on a variety of topics related to everyday life and personal interests and studies. 1
10. Students can usually understand a few details of what they overhear in conversations, even when something unexpected is expressed. 1
11. Students can sometimes follow what they hear about events and experiences in various time frames. 1
12. Students can easily understand the main idea of texts related to everyday life, personal interests, and studies. 1
13. Students can sometimes follow stories and descriptions about events and experiences in various time frames.

SPAN 2210. Spanish for Heritage Learners III

3 Credits (3)

Intermediate Spanish for Heritage Speakers I is a third semester course designed for students who have been raised in a Spanish-speaking environment and speak, or understand, some Spanish as a result of hearing it in the home, and in the community by family, friends, and neighbors. Students in this course will continue to develop their ability to narrate events in the past and will be able to describe hypothetical situations. Students will also develop their ability to express wishes, desires, and necessities. This course will help the student build confidence in their Spanish abilities and expand the language use in the areas of writing, reading, oral production and listening comprehension. In order to foster a desire to revitalize and maintain the Spanish language we attempt to raise students' critical awareness of wider issues facing Spanish speakers in the US context. May be repeated up to 3 credits.

Learning Outcomes

1. Interpersonal Communication: Students can exchange information on a wide variety of familiar topics in which the students use appropriate vocabulary to describe their daily lives and narrate events in the past with some degree of ease and confidence.
2. Written expression: Students can write an essay/poem/story/creative sketch/lyric in the target language, and that effectively conveys a series of past (fictional) events to the reader that may include recent and distant past.
3. Interpretive listening: Students can identify the main idea and key information in short straightforward conversations.
4. Interpretive reading: Students can understand the main idea and key information in short straightforward informational and fictional texts.
5. Critical cultural awareness: Students can recognize and explain some of the issues facing bilingual communities in accordance to the instructor expertise and articulation with previous and subsequent courses.