

Spanish 1411: First Year Spanish I

Instructor Information

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Course Information

Title: First year Spanish I

Course Dates: August 27th – December 18th, 2012

Course Credits: 3 lecture hours

1 lab hour

Text: Students will use **Vista** and will have what they need to access information and multi-media resources when they purchase the text. (This text is loose-leaf with a “Key” to the En Línea (Vista Higher Learning e-Course, version 2.0.)

Prerequisites : None

Course Catalog Description

Emphasizes in conversation: pronunciation, fluency, and vocabulary. Presents grammar and composition.

Student Performance / Learning Outcomes:

After successful completion of this course, the student should be able to do the following:

Use the vocabulary presented in the text;

- Write from dictation sentences or short passages dealing with familiar material;
- Understand questions dealing with basic autobiographical data or routine activities and respond appropriately;
- Understand isolated words and phrases from Spanish-language radio programs, tapes, films, or television programs or heard in conversations between native speakers;
- Produce (in oral or written form) uncomplicated sentences in different tenses;
- Give simple oral or written responses in different tenses to questions dealing with personal information or daily activities;
- Give in written or oral form a one-sentence summary of an action or a situation in the present or a one-sentence summary of a past action;
- Introduce themselves and others; respond appropriately;
- Comprehend simple instructions dealing with familiar situations and vocabulary;
- Generate oral patterns in the Spanish language;
- Respond to aural stimuli in Spanish;
- Demonstrate knowledge of courtesy expressions and actions in everyday situations;
- Demonstrate listening comprehension of conversation and vocabulary.
Demonstrate ability to read sentences, conversations, paragraphs, and literary selections for comprehension.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the Spanish language and Spanish culture.
Take examinations and display an understanding of the Spanish language and its culture.

Computer Skills:

You must be able to type, browse and research Internet, upload and download files, attach files, save files and find files on your computer.

Course Overview

A semester of introductory Spanish covering topics of greetings, identifying yourself, expressions of courtesy, school, family, pastimes, sports, vacations, clothing and shopping; colors, daily routine, food, parties and celebrations; health and medical terms; computers and the Internet; parts of a house, nature, City life; Professions and occupations, nouns and articles. Verbs: Present tense of *estar*, *tener*, and *venir*; Present tense of -er, -ir; *saber* and *conocer*, *ir* *gustar*; reflexive verbs, preterite of *ser* and *ir*; verbs like *gustar*, adjectives; irregular preterits, *Qué?* and *Cuál?*

- a) Weekly assigned readings, tutorials, exercises, and quizzes -- all with limited dates for completion.
- b) Will cover 9 Lecciones, each concluding with an exam.
- c) There is no final comprehensive exam; students will complete a final chapter test and a final recording.
- e) Course designed for highly self-motivated, self-disciplined, independent learner

Important Dates: Check the OC online calendar each semester for dates in question by going to:

<http://www.odessa.edu/calendar/> and

<http://www.seminoleisd.net/>

Netiquette:

Anything you type in the discussion area is public – which means that every student in this class (including your instructor) will see what you write. Please pay attention to the language you use and adhere to the following:

Netiquette Guidelines:

- 1) Do not post anything too personal;
- 2) Do not use language that is inappropriate for a classroom setting (curse words, etc);

- 3) Do not use language that is inflammatory or prejudicial in regard to gender, race, or ethnicity;
 - 4) Do not post in all caps; and
 - 5) Remember your audience, which for the majority of time is your teacher. So, use language that is appropriate for your purpose. In other words, please do not use "text messaging" language/abbreviations; adhere to basic grammar and punctuation rules; and use complete sentences.
- (If you do not adhere to the guidelines for any posting, you will lose the points that would have been granted, and I reserve the right to remove your posting and to deny you any further posting privileges.)

Point System and Letter Grades:

Daily work: Chapter assignments, quizzes, compositions, lab and workbook: **50 %**

Chapter Tests and major projects: **50 %**

Policies and Procedures:

- a) Each student is responsible for doing his or her own work. Having another individual complete any portion of your work violates the principles of academic integrity and will not be tolerated.
- b) No cell phones/mp3 players allowed in class
- c) Be respectful to teacher and students in class

Letter Grade Explanation:

90 to 100 = A

80 - 89 = B

70 – 79 = C

60 – 69 = D

59 and below = F

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Calendar (subject to minor changes)

Chapter 1 Test Tuesday September 11th

Chapter 2 Test Friday September 21st

Chapter 3 Test Thursday October 4th

Chapter 4 Test Tuesday October 16th

Chapter 5 Test Friday November 2nd

Chapter 6 Test Friday November 16th

Chapter 8 Test Friday November 30th

Chapter 9 Test Friday December 7th

Final Exam Tuesday May 18th