

J TERM 2007
Spanish 212 Intermediate Spanish
University of Alicante Staff
Class times: TBA

Given in Spanish

Course description:

This is the second part of two intermediate courses for students who has had Spanish before or have some cultural background about the Hispanic Word. Students will review the essentials of Spanish, will be exposed to new structures and vocabulary and cultural topics. Practice of the four skills will be stressed: speaking, listening, reading and writing, but especial attention will be paid to aural and oral skills, given the travel nature of this course.

Student Responsibilities:

Students are expected to attend all class meetings as well as the cultural visits arranged by the instructor during the stay in Alicante. Assignments will go from in-class / outside of class oral work, writing assignments, completion of workbook and lab manual to cultural presentations related to their experience with Spanish people and culture.

Prerequisites:

Placement test or having completed 111/112/115 or 211.

Spanish 231: SPANISH CONVERSATION
Staff
Travel Course

Given in Spanish
Three semester hours towards
the major and minor

Course description:

This course will immerse students in the Spanish speaking environment in Alicante, Spain. On campus, this conversation course is designed around different current topics and gives students the structures and vocabulary needed to participate in class discussions, which are reinforced by lessons and dialogues that introduce students to a varieties of dialects and degrees of speech formality. On location in Alicante, the course takes on even greater dimensions as students interact directly with Spanish students and faculty as well as with the families they will be staying with. This will provide them with the richness and cultural diversity that constitutes a unique experience.

Student responsibilities:

Students are expected to attend all classes and excursions, speak Spanish and participate meaningfully in class discussions. To improve written skills, they will maintain a journal in Spanish. Finally, each student will give a well prepared report about an assigned topic.

There will be written mid-term and final exams as well as announced or unannounced oral quizzes along with the final written report.

Prerequisites:

Spanish 212 or 215 or equivalent.

Spanish 327: LAS DOS ESPAÑAS
Prof. Bordera
Travel Course

Given in Spanish
Three semester hours towards
the major and minor

Course description:

This is a culture course taught in Spanish in Spain. The course familiarizes the students with the history of the conflict in Spain between the traditional or conservative forces and the progressive forces who wished to introduce new ideas and modernization to the country. We will explore the roots of this conflictive modernization beginning with the eighteenth Century. As we trace the history of this dilemma between tradition and progress, students will try to answer the question as to whether democratization after the death of Franco and integration in the European Community have resolved the conflict of Spain. Students will immerse themselves in Spanish language and culture while visiting historical and cultural sites in several parts of the country. The family-stay in Alicante will increase language contact and will improve understanding of family and other social structures.

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There will be written mid-term and final exams as well as announced or unannounced oral quizzes along with the final written report.

Prerequisites:

Spanish 231, 251 and 252 and departmental permission.