SPN 312K: Second Year Spanish I, Oral Expression, Reading & Composition

Texas Common Number: SPAN 2311

Spanish 312K is the first course in a two-semester sequence of second-year Spanish, designed to develop students’ skills in reading and writing proficiency. In this course students will review fundamental grammar and language skills while advancing their knowledge of grammar, vocabulary, and culture.

The design of the course is targeted at elevating students’ reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills. Students will be expected to describe and narrate in the present, past, and future tenses; express their wishes, opinions, and reactions; and express hypothetical situations. Also, students will write more paragraphs and compositions than in previous classes and will more frequently record their spoken Spanish.

Prerequisites

Students should have completed two semesters of Spanish at the college level (at UT Austin, SPN 604, 507, or 508K) or the equivalent prior to enrolling in this course.

Course Organization

The course is divided into five learning modules containing a total of fifteen lessons. In each lesson students will review vocabulary lists or grammar structures, complete workbook exercises, watch videos and complete associated study exercises, make a recording of their spoken Spanish, and write one or two paragraphs geared towards development of that lesson’s skill objective. All lessons within a learning module must be completed before moving onto the next module. An instructor is available via a message center to provide feedback and respond to questions regarding assignments.

Required Materials


(Optional) A standard Spanish/English dictionary

Some assignments require students to record spoken Spanish using a recording device, with the file to be converted to mp3 format. Students are responsible establishing the necessary computer configuration for this task. Instructions on recording and submitting audio files can be found on the Digital Audio Help section of the course home page.
Grading

Each lesson of this course contains an assignment to be completed and submitted for grading. There is also a midterm exam and a non-comprehensive final exam. Both exams must be taken in a proctored location, with arrangements to be made by the student.

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Students must complete all coursework with an overall passing grade and earn score of at least 60% on the final exam in order to receive a passing grade in the course.

This course is independent study and is self-paced. Students have five (5) months upon registration in which to complete all coursework, with thirty days allotted for completion of the final exam.

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