



Did you know that Spanish is the second most spoken language in the United States, after English? That is just the beginning; Spanish is also spoken in at least 20 other countries worldwide including countries in Europe, Africa, and all throughout the American continent. So what are you waiting for? Sign up while there's space.

Course Overview

This weekly course is aimed at students interested in learning Spanish who have little to no previous experience with the language. Students will develop speaking, writing, reading, listening, and confidence skills. This also includes learning about the rich cultures of the Spanish speaking world, even those in the United States. Since an important part of learning a language is being able to hear it and produce it, this class will be taught almost entirely in Spanish, especially during class activities, and a mix of English and Spanish during lectures.

Course Format

Each class meeting will include a combination of lectures, activities, and discussions. However, a big part of the class will be devoted to activities that require students to verbally communicate amongst themselves in Spanish.

Topics to be covered in the class include

- Greeting and introducing
- Describing the school environment and our family
- Talking about friends, food, and leisure activities
- Discussing sports and traditions
- Learning terms for discussing health and medical treatments

Maximum number of students: 20

Spanish for Beginners

Every Friday

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Course Objectives

By the end of the semester, the student will be able to-

1. Express themselves in Spanish through short and concise oral and written discourse.
2. Hear authentic oral discourse in Spanish to comprehend the main ideas
3. Read and understand basic, but authentic texts in Spanish
4. Have a better understanding of the traditions, values and customs of the Spanish speaking world inside and outside of the United States.

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The class will begin with a warm-up, related to the topic of the class, followed by exercises that will reinforce what will and has been learned thus far. At the end of each section, a quiz will be given to assess the knowledge of the topic.

Course Policies

Since the only way a language can be learned is by using it, it is highly encouraged that students attend class and actively participate and ask questions during activities. It is also as important that we all show respect, support and work as a team in our learning process.

Attendance Policy:

80% attendance and course work for a certificate of completion

90% for Honors

100% for High Honors

Course Timeline

****This schedule is subject to change****

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CLASS TOPIC</u>
August 25, 2017	<u>Introduction to Spanish</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introductions: greet others and say good-bye• Useful expressions• Spell names, addresses and numbers
September 1, 2017	<u>Introduction to Spanish</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Express dates and tell time• Comment on weather
September 8, 2017	<u>School and Family</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Talk about school and family• Describe daily routines and activities• Present tense of -ar, -er, -ir verbs
September 15, 2017	<u>School and Family</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review gender and number in nouns• Discuss activities, likes and dislikes
September 22, 2017	<u>School and Family</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ask and answer questions• Role play activities• Section Quiz
September 29, 2017	<u>Friends, Leisure Activities and Food</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Describe people places and things• Express origin and possession• The verbs ser and estar
October 6, 2017	<u>Friends, Leisure Activities and Food</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Talk about ingredients, recipes and meals• Expressing likes and dislikes: the verb gustar

October 13, 2017

Friends, Leisure Activities and Food

- Role play activities
- ***Section Quiz***

October 20, 2017

Sports and Traditions

- Talk about sports
- Review the preterit

October 27, 2017

Sports and Traditions

- Review the preterit
- Talk about celebrations
- Tell stories of past events

November 3, 2017

Sports and Traditions

- Role play activities
- ***Section Quiz***

November 17, 2017

Health and Medical Treatments

- Use vocabulary to discuss about our health
- Review vocabulary related to the parts of the body
- Review the preterit

December 1, 2017

Health and Medical Treatment

- Role Play Activities
- ***Section Quiz***

December 8, 2017

Review Day