Course Syllabus

Course Description

Continued practice in listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills within a Spanish cultural framework. Prerequisite: SPAN 1410 with a grade of "C" or better. Students who take SPAN 1410 toward degree requirements must also complete SPAN 1420.

Course Goals

Course Goals & Purpose:

This SPAN 1420 course is designed to introduce students to the Spanish language and Hispanic cultures and develop students’ skills in communication by speaking, listening, writing, and reading. Through a series of online activities, the course will move across ethnic, cultural, ideological, and national boundaries to help the student understand and use basic Spanish in relation to daily topics and culture.

Course Policies:

- **You have six months (approximately 24 weeks) to complete this course.** You decide how to organize your study sessions and determine when you want to complete the assignments and exams. You must complete all the assignments for Chapters 9, 10, 11 and 12 before taking the first exam and all assignments for Chapters 13, 14, 16 y 17 before taking the second exam. (Please notice that this course does not include Chapter 15)
- **Be sure to fill out your Personal Study Schedule** to help you schedule your work in the course. Submit your completed schedule via Modules within 7 days of enrolling in the course.
- **Your instructor will not post your grades in Canvas until you send an email requesting to take an exam** (see more about exams below). After receiving your email, your instructor will finalize your grades within 7 working days and send you a confirmation email. Once grades have been posted in Canvas, they cannot be changed.
- **Requesting an exam means that all grades for oral exams, quizzes, and assignments will be finalized in Canvas whether or not they are complete, and you will receive a zero on any missing assignments.**
- **If you have any questions about the course content, please email your instructor.** Your instructor will contact you within 48 hours.

Required Course Materials

- **Puntos de Partida with Connect (custom) package 11th edition**
  
  Connect access card for *Puntos de Partida*

  Author: Dorwick, Perez-Girones, & Becher
You must have Connect access card for all online homework, quizzes and access to e-text
All homework and quizzes will be done in McGraw Hill Connect through Canvas.

Course Organization

Each Capítulo in Modules has 4 sections. The first section introduces the objectives, topic contents for each chapter. The second section includes the text reading assignments and different listening activities, lessons in video or activities that explain or reinforce the topics for each chapter. The third section offers a video tutorial of the main topic(s) of the chapter with a practice activity to self-evaluated your understanding of what you read and study in the previous sections. In the fourth section you will find all your homework assignments and quiz.

Important note: This course does not include chapter 15 and we do not cover chapter 14 vocabulary section, only one topic for grammar as detailed below.

Below is an outline of your course content and assignments. Please access these in Modules as you work through the course.

- **Capítulo 9** Los días festivos
  - Objetivos y Lecturas
  - Lección Cap #9
  - Review What you learned
  - Video de la lección
  - Connect Homework
  - Capítulo 9 Vocabulario
  - Capítulo 9 Gramática
  - HW in Connect
  - Quiz in Connect

- **Oral activity #1**

- **Capítulo 10** El tiempo libre
  - Objetivos y Lecturas
  - Lección Cap #10
  - Review What you learned
  - Video de la lección
  - Connect Homework
  - Capítulo 10 Vocabulario
  - Capítulo 10 Gramática
• **Capítulo 11** La salud
  Objetivos y Lecturas
  Lección Cap #11
  Review What you learned
  Video de la lección
  Connect Homework
  Capítulo 11 Vocabulario
  Capítulo 11 Gramática
  HW in Connect
  Quiz in Connect

• **Capítulo 12** Conectados
  Objetivos y Lecturas
  Lección Cap #12
  Review What you learned
  Video de la lección
  Connect Homework
  Capítulo 12 Vocabulario
  Capítulo 12 Gramática
  HW in Connect
  Quiz in Connect

• **Capítulo 13** El arte y la cultura
  Objetivos y Lecturas
  Lección Cap #13
  Review What you learned
  Video de la lección
  Connect Homework
  Capítulo 13 Vocabulario
  Capítulo 13 Gramática
  HW in Connect
  Quiz in Connect

• **Oral activity #2**
• **Capítulo 14** Las presiones de la vida  
  Objetivos y Lecturas  
  Lección Cap #14  
  Review What you learned  
  Video de la lección  
  Connect Homework  
  Capítulo 14 Gramática  
  HW in Connect  
  Quiz in Connect  

• **Capítulo 16** La vida social y afectiva  
  Objetivos y Lecturas  
  Lección Cap #16  
  Review What you learned  
  Video de la lección  
  Connect Homework  
  Capítulo 16 Vocabulario  
  Capítulo 16 Gramática  
  HW in Connect  
  Quiz in Connect  

• **Capítulo 17** ¿Trabajar para vivir o vivir para trabajar?  
  Objetivos y Lecturas  
  Lección Cap #17  
  Review What you learned  
  Video de la lección  
  Connect Homework  
  Capítulo 17 Vocabulario  
  Capítulo 17 Gramática  
  HW in Connect  
  Quiz in Connect  

• **Oral activity #3**  
• **Examen final**
Grading

Grading Criteria:

Final grades will be calculated as follows:

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Grading Scale:

- 90-100 = A
- 80-89.9 = B
- 70-79.9 = C
- 60-69.9 = D
- 0-59.9 = F

Exams and Assignments

Online Homework and Quizzes:

- You are pre-registered in Connect by having access to this course, but you will also need your purchased access code (see Course Materials above). Homework and quizzes are completed through Connect site (see below)*. All chapter homework is organized in the following sections (Capítulo # Vocabulario, Capítulo # Gramática and Ejercicios del capítulo) You must complete all sections for each chapter. All Ejercicios assignments allow 3 attempts and the sections for Capítulo # Vocabulario and Capítulo # Gramática adapt to the unique needs and progress of each learner through ongoing formative assessment, feedback, and learning resources. The grade for these assignments will be finalized when the student shows complete understanding of the topics or manually by the instructor when the student requests to take each corresponding exam.

There is one online quiz for each chapter (9-17) in Connect. It is best to open and take the quiz when you are ready to complete it. Once you begin a quiz, you must finish it. You cannot start a quiz and return to it later. After a certain amount of time left unattended, the quiz will automatically
close, erasing any progress. Since you only get one attempt, you are advised to take the quiz with a reliable internet connection. Wireless connections are not recommended.

*You can follow this link to learn how to get signed up for Connect through Canvas.

http://video.mhhe.com/watch/4q72PpEpzkXAd3hW4o52c8

Exams:

This course has two exams: Exams 1 (midcourse) and 2 (final). The exams are not comprehensive. Follow the instructions provided in each exam module when you are ready to schedule each exam.

The exams are in Canvas and must be proctored at an approved testing center, as described on links available with the exam instructions in Modules. You will not have access to an exam until a testing proctor opens it for you.

If you request an exam without completing the required chapter assignments, you will receive a zero on any missing assignments. Make sure that you complete everything before emailing your request to your instructor.

You must score an average of at least 60% on Exams 1 and 2 in order to pass this course.

Oral Activities:

Your oral performance will be evaluated through your completion of three oral activities. Follow the instructions available in Modules for recording and submitting each oral activity. Grading will be based on your use of appropriate vocabulary, grammar constructions, and cultural topics, and by appropriately completing the assigned task. Please make sure that your recording is no more than 4-5 minutes in length.

The instructions for each oral activity include the rubric I will use to grade your recorded submission. Please review it carefully as you prepare for and before submitting each recording.