Course Prefix and Number: SPA 195                     Credits: 3

Course Title: Topics in Spanish: Spanish for Health Professionals

Course Description: Introduces Spanish to those in the health sciences. Emphasizes oral communication and practical medical vocabulary. Presents realistic situations and the specialized vocabulary that health care professionals need to communicate with Hispanic patients in the course of their daily work. Provides students with numerous opportunities to apply, in a wide variety of practical contexts, the grammatical structures introduced in the corresponding lessons through personalized questions, grammar exercises, dialogue competition, role plays, and real activities. May include oral drill and practice. Lecture 3 hours per week.

General Course Purpose:

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:
Prerequisites: None

Course Objectives:
Upon completing the course, the student will be able to
a. Demonstrate understanding of concepts of Spanish used by health professionals;
b. Demonstrate the use in a visit to the doctor;
c. Demonstrate the use of parts of human body;
d. Demonstrate the use in illnesses;
e. Demonstrate the use in emergency or emergency situation; and
f. Identify and discuss elements of Spanish customs and culture.

Major Topics to Be Included:
a. A sampling of Spanish you already know
b. Pronunciation; Spanish alphabet; cognates, vowels, diphthongs
c. Essential vocabulary used in basic conversation
d. Grammar: nouns, adjectives, regular and irregular verbs-present tense

Effective Date: Spring, 2005