

J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
Course Content Summary

Course Prefix and Number: SPA 201

Credits: 4

Course Title: Intermediate Spanish

Course Description: Continues to develop understanding, speaking, reading, and writing skills. Part I of II. May include an additional hour of oral drill and practice per week.

Prerequisite: SPA 102 or equivalent. Lecture 4 hours per week.

General Course Purpose: The goal of the course is for students to pursue actively an understanding and appreciation of Spanish as a Foreign Language. It is intended for all audiences, but is geared toward students in the Liberal Arts program. This course is also geared toward students that want to use Spanish for traveling purpose, job opportunity, or simply to continue learning Spanish for personal reasons.

Course Prerequisites and Co-requisites:

Prerequisite: SPA 102 or equivalent

Student Learning Outcomes:

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to

- a. Comprehend and use at least the most common 500 vocabulary words in Spanish;
- b. Acquire an usable vocabulary through new words, concept and verb forms;
- c. Use in practical application the grammar and verbs learned in Spanish 101-102;
- d. Understand and use the subjunctive in noun clauses through speaking, reading, and writing;
- e. Appreciate and understand the place of Spanish culture of Latin America through reading;
- f. Write simple compositions and participate in classroom discussions by utilizing the skills mentioned in A, B, C, and D; and
- g. Function at intermediate level of ACTFL Rating Scale--low intermediate to mid-intermediate.

Major Topics to Be Covered:

- a. Verb systems: compound tenses, past participles and subjunctive mood
- b. Vocabulary building through readings
- c. Historical understanding of Latin American countries, including economic, historical, geographical, and cultural background

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