

Lower Division Course Descriptions:
Spanish: 1-3, 4-6, 16A/B, 25
Portuguese 1-3, 4-6

Department of Spanish and Portuguese

Spanish 1

Required Texts: Puntos de Partida, 7th edition (Text, and Workbook)

Course Description:

The first year Spanish program at UCSB is designed to introduce students to linguistic and cultural structures necessary for basic communication in Spanish. Students are expected to learn to use Spanish for communication in real, meaningful situations.

Teaching Philosophy:

The course follows a communicative approach. The course is taught entirely in Spanish while the textbook contains explanations and instructions in English. Grammar is not taught explicitly, but students are expected to study the material before coming to class. Class time is to be used primarily for oral communication practice. Spanish will be spoken in class 99% of the time.

Attendance: Attendance is mandatory in all Spanish Classes at UCSB. After the third absence, the student's grade will be dropped 1% for each absence.

Student Performance: The student performance portion of the final grade is based upon attendance, effort (quizzes, daily participation in class) and quality of response in class.

Homework: Reading assignments in the grammatical section are assigned by the instructor at the end of every class period. Students are expected to do the homework (usually from the workbook) and readings before coming to class. Late homework will not be accepted.

Compositions: The first draft will be completed in class and it is worth 60% of the grade. The final version must be typed-written (double spaced) and it is worth 40% of the grade.

Testing and Grading: In this course students will take three chapter tests and a final exam. All of the exam dates are included in the syllabus. There are NO makeup exams except under extraordinary circumstances, and those must be approved by the Lower Division Coordinator. The final exam will be cumulative and will include a final composition. Speaking will be evaluated on a day to day basis in the classroom.

The grading policy follows. It is important to remember that no grade is "given". Instead the student earns points which will be objectively calculated on a 100 point scale. There is no extra credit.

Exams: 3@ 15% each	45%
Homework	3%
Compositions 2 @ 6% each	12%
Student performance	10%
Final exam	30% (comprehensive)

The following are the cutoff points for each grade:

A+ 98	B+ 88	C+ 78	D+ 68
A 93	B 83	C 73	D 63
A- 90.0	B- 80.0	C- 70.0	D- 60.0

Pass/No Pass Option: Students fulfilling the language requirement are strongly discouraged from taking Spanish Classes Pass/No Pass. A grade of C or better is required to pass with this option and no student with a final percentage lower than 73 will be assigned a grade of Pass.

No Make-up exam policy: No make-up exams will be given for personal events, including weddings, graduations, interviews, etc.

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Spanish 2, 3

Required Texts: Puntos de Partida, 7th edition. (Text, and Workbook)

Course Description:

The first year Spanish program at UCSB is designed to introduce students to linguistic and cultural structures necessary for basic communication in Spanish. The course follows a communicative approach. The course is taught entirely in Spanish while the textbook contains explanations and instructions in English. Class time is to be used primarily for oral communication practice.

Attendance: Attendance is mandatory in all Spanish Classes at UCSB. After the third absence, the student's grade will be dropped 1% for each absence.

Student Performance: The student performance portion of the final grade is based upon attendance and effort (daily participation in class) and quality of response in class.

Homework: Reading assignments in the grammatical section are assigned by the instructor at the end of every class period. Students are expected to do the homework (usually from the workbook) and readings before coming to class. Late homework will not be accepted.

Compositions: The first draft will be completed in class and it is worth 60% of the grade. The final version must be typed-written (double spaced) and it is worth 40% of the grade.

Testing and Grading:

All of the exam dates are included in the syllabus. There are NO makeup exams except under extraordinary circumstances, and those must be approved by the Lower Division Coordinator. There are four official quizzes in each class, of which the lowest grade will be dropped. The final exam will be cumulative and will include a final composition. Speaking will be evaluated on a day to day basis in the classroom.

The grading policy follows. It is important to remember that no grade is "given". Instead the student earns points which will be objectively calculated on a 100 point scale. There is no extra credit.

The following are the cutoff points for each grade:

A+ 98	B+ 88	C+ 78	D+ 68
A 93	B 83	C 73	D 63
A- 90.0	B- 80.0	C- 70.0	D- 60.0

Grade Breakdown:

Midterm	25%
Quizzes	25%
Student Performance	10%
Compositions (2@6%)	12%
Final Exam	25%
Homework	3%

Pass/No Pass Option: Students fulfilling the language requirement are strongly discouraged from taking Spanish Classes Pass/No Pass. A grade of C or better is required to pass with this option and no student with a final percentage lower than 73 will be assigned a grade of Pass.

No Make-up exam policy: No make-up exams will be given for personal events, including weddings, graduations, interviews, etc.

Department of Spanish and Portuguese
Spanish 4, 5, 6

Required texts: Bretz, Dvorak, Kirschner. Pasajes 6th Editions (there are three texts):

Pasajes: Lengua

Pasajes: Literatura

Cuaderno de Práctica

Course Description:

The second year Spanish program at UCSB is to help students consolidate their basic knowledge of the Spanish language, with particular emphasis on reading and writing. All readings are "authentic", written by native speakers, rather than "doctored-up" or edited versions designed with only non-natives in mind. The course is taught entirely in Spanish while the textbook contains explanations and instructions in English. Students will be reading numerous texts in Spanish as well as participating in discussions, writing essays, and examining the more complex structures of the language.

Attendance: Attendance is mandatory in all Spanish Classes at UCSB. After the third absence, the student's grade will be dropped 1% for each absence.

Student Performance: The student performance portion of the final grade is based upon attendance, oral participation in class, and homework.

Homework: Reading assignments in the grammatical section are assigned by the instructor at the end of every class period. Students are expected to do the homework (usually from the workbook) and readings before coming to class. Late homework will not be accepted.

Cheating and Plagiarism:

All instructors in the language program for Spanish and Portuguese will follow University policy concerning cheating and plagiarism, including when evaluating compositions. If you are unsure of the University's definition of plagiarism, please check with your instructor.

Testing and grading:

All of the exam dates are included in the syllabus. There are NO makeup exams except under extraordinary circumstances, and those must be approved by the Lower Division Coordinator. There are four official quizzes in each class, of which the lowest grade will be dropped. The final exam will be cumulative and will include a final composition.

The grading policy follows. It is important to remember that no grade is "given". Instead the student earns points which will be objectively calculated on a 100 point scale. There is no extra credit.

The following are the cutoff points for each grade:

A+ 98	B+ 88	C+ 78	D+ 68
A 93	B 83	C 73	D 63
A- 90.0	B- 80.0	C- 70.0	D- 60.0

Grade Breakdown:

Midterm	25%
Quizzes	25%
Student Performance	10%
Compositions	15%
Final Exam	25%

Possible Spanish Majors: Intermediate Spanish classes are designed to present the tools necessary for learning Spanish. Students do not automatically become either fluent or proficient by completing this program as language acquisition must occur outside of the classroom. Students hoping to become proficient and/or major or minor in Spanish are strongly encouraged to participate in an Education Abroad or Immersion program.

No Make-up exam policy: No make-up exams will be given for personal events, including weddings, graduations, interviews, etc.

Department of Spanish and Portuguese
Portuguese 1, 2, 3

Required Texts: Ponto de Encontro.

Recommended Text:

Ana Ganho and Timothy McGovern. Using Portuguese. A Guide to Contemporary Usage. Cambridge University Press, 2004.

Course Description:

The first year Spanish program at UCSB is designed to introduce students to linguistic and cultural structures necessary for basic communication in Spanish. The course follows a communicative approach. The course is taught entirely in Spanish while the textbook contains explanations and instructions in English. Class time is to be used primarily for oral communication practice.

Attendance:

Attendance is mandatory in all Portuguese Classes at UCSB. After the third absence, the student's grade will be dropped 1% for each absence.

Student Performance: The student performance portion of the final grade is based upon attendance and effort (daily participation in class) and quality of response in class.

Homework: Reading assignments in the grammatical section are assigned by the instructor at the end of every class period. Students are expected to do the homework (usually from the workbook) and readings before coming to class. Late homework will not be accepted.

Compositions: The first draft will be completed in class and it is worth 60% of the grade. The final version must be typed-written (double spaced) and it is worth 40% of the grade.

Testing and Grading:

All of the exam dates are included in the syllabus. There are NO makeup exams except under extraordinary circumstances, and those must be approved by the Lower Division Coordinator. There are four official quizzes in each class, of which the lowest grade will be dropped. The final exam will be cumulative and will include a final composition. Speaking will be evaluated on a day to day basis in the classroom.

The grading policy follows. It is important to remember that no grade is "given". Instead the student earns points which will be objectively calculated on a 100 point scale. There is no extra credit.

The following are the cutoff points for each grade:

A+ 98	B+ 88	C+ 78	D+ 68
A 93	B 83	C 73	D 63
A- 90.0	B- 80.0	C- 70.0	D- 60.0

Grade Breakdown:

Midterm	25%
Quizzes	25%
Student Performance	10%
Compositions	12%
Final Exam	25%
Homework	3%

Department of Spanish and Portuguese
Portuguese 4, 5, 6

Required Texts: Um Passo Mais no Português Moderno by Francisco Cota Fagundes
Course Reader in AS Notes.

Recommended: Using Portuguese. A Guide to Contemporary Usage. Ana Ganho and Timothy McGovern
Cambridge University Press, 2004.

Course Description: The second year Portuguese program at UCSB is designed to enhance student's oral and written performance in Portuguese. The course is taught entirely in Portuguese while the textbook contains explanations and instructions in English. Students will be reading numerous texts in Portuguese as well as participating in discussions, writing essays, and examining the more complex structures of the language.

Attendance:

Attendance is mandatory in all Portuguese Classes at UCSB. After the third absence, the student's grade will be dropped 1% for each absence.

Student Performance: The student performance portion of the final grade is based upon attendance, oral participation in class, and homework.

Homework: Reading assignments in the grammatical section are assigned by the instructor at the end of every class period. Students are expected to do the homework (usually from the workbook) and readings before coming to class. Late homework will not be accepted.

Cheating and Plagiarism:

All instructors in the language program for Spanish and Portuguese will follow University policy concerning cheating and plagiarism, including when evaluating compositions. If you are unsure of the University's definition of plagiarism, please check with your instructor.

Testing and Grading:

All of the exam dates are included in the syllabus. There are NO makeup exams except under extraordinary circumstances, and those must be approved by the Lower Division Coordinator. There are four official quizzes in each class, of which the lowest grade will be dropped. The final exam will be cumulative and will include a final composition. Speaking will be evaluated on a day to day basis in the classroom.

The grading policy follows. It is important to remember that no grade is "given". Instead the student earns points which will be objectively calculated on a 100 point scale. There is no extra credit.

The following are the cutoff points for each grade:

A+ 98	B+ 88	C+ 78	D+ 68
A 93	B 83	C 73	D 63
A- 90.0	B- 80.0	C- 70.0	D- 60.0

Grade Breakdown:

Midterm	25%
Quizzes	25%
Student Performance	10%
Compositions	15%
Final Exam	25%

Students in Portuguese language are invited to request information concerning the Portuguese Major and Minor Programs at UCSB.

Department of Spanish and Portuguese
Spanish 16 A/B: Spanish for Spanish Speakers

Texts: Marqués, Sara. La lengua que heredamos.
Varona-Lacey, Gladys M. Contemporary Latin American Literature

Course Description:

Spanish 16 is designed for speakers of Spanish who wish to improve their command of the formal variant of the language. The course will focus on advanced grammar, writing styles, reading skills, and vocabulary building. Special attention will be paid to those aspects of the language which native speakers in the United States find most problematic. Literary readings will give students preparation for continuation in the major or minor.

Attendance:

Attendance is mandatory in all Spanish classes at UCSB. After the third absence, the student's grade will be lowered 1% for each absence.

Student Performance:

The student performance portion of the grade is based upon attendance, participation in class, and homework.

Cheating and Plagiarism:

All instructors in the language program in Spanish and Portuguese will follow University policy concerning cheating and plagiarism, including in the evaluation of compositions. If you are unsure of the University's definition of plagiarism, please see your instructor.

Exams:

There are NO makeup exams except under extraordinary circumstances, and those must be approved by the lower division coordinator.

Compositions:

Students will turn in a composition every week (either a first or final draft). No late compositions will be accepted.

Grading:

The grading scale follows. It is important to remember that no grade is "given". Instead, the student earns points which will be objectively calculated on a 100 point scale. There is no extra credit.

The following are the cutoff points for each grade:

A+ 98	B+ 88	C+ 78	D+ 68
A 93	B 83	C 73	D 63
A- 90	B- 80	C 70	D- 60

Grade breakdown:

Final Exam	20%
Student Performance	10%
Compositions	40%
Partial Exams (3)	30%

Department of Spanish and Portuguese
Spanish 25: Advanced Grammar and Composition

Texts: Ronald E. Batchelor. A Student Grammar of Spanish published by Cambridge UP.
Course Reader available in AS Notes.

Course Description:

Spanish 25 is required for all Upper Division Spanish courses. The course will focus on advanced grammar, writing styles, reading skills, and vocabulary building. Literary readings will give students preparation for continuation in the major or minor while grammatical structures which still plague advanced students will be emphasized..

Attendance:

Attendance is mandatory in all Spanish classes at UCSB. After the third absence, the student's grade will be lowered 1% for each absence.

Student Performance:

The student performance portion of the grade is based upon attendance, participation in class, and homework.

Cheating and Plagiarism:

All instructors in the language program in Spanish and Portuguese will follow University policy concerning cheating and plagiarism, including in the evaluation of compositions. If you are unsure of the University's definition of plagiarism, please see your instructor.

Exams:

There are NO makeup exams except under extraordinary circumstances, and those must be approved by the lower division coordinator.

Compositions:

Students will turn in 3 essays (of two drafts each). No late work will be accepted.

Grading:

The grading scale follows. It is important to remember that no grade is "given". Instead, the student earns points which will be objectively calculated on a 100 point scale. There is no extra credit.

The following are the cutoff points for each grade:

A+ 98	B+ 88	C+ 78	D+ 68
A 93	B 83	C 73	D 63
A- 90	B- 80	C 70	D- 60

Grade breakdown:

Final Exam	25%
Student Performance	10%
Essays (3@15%)	45%
Partial Exams (2)	20%

The following basic calendar will be followed for Spanish 25:

Week + Chapters	W 1: Chapters 1-4	W 2: Chapters 5, 6	W 3: Chapters 7-9
W 4: Chapters 10-13	W 5: Chapters 14-16	W 6: Chapters 17-18	W 7: Chapters 19-20
W 8: Chapters 21-22	W 9: Chapters 23-24	W 10: Chapters 25-26	