

Course Description

SPN2340 | Spanish for Native Speakers 1 | 3.00 credits

This course is designed to enhance the Spanish language skills of students who have acquired oral proficiency in non-academic settings. Through targeted activities, learners will improve their oral comprehension, speaking abilities, reading comprehension and analysis, and writing skills in Spanish. The curriculum emphasizes refining linguistic competence through specific grammatical and lexical studies, preparing students for effective written communication and public speaking in academic and professional contexts.

Course Competencies:

Competency 1: The student will demonstrate comprehension of the sounds and symbols of Spanish by:

1. Translating knowledge through phonemic and morphemic transcriptions of particular words.

Competency 2: The student will demonstrate knowledge of the syllabic nature of the Spanish language by:

1. Recalling in writing or orally the most prominent vowel quantity.

Competency 3: The student will demonstrate knowledge of the 14 diphthongs in the Spanish Language by:

1. Isolating the diphthongs or diphthongs in the Spanish lexicon.

Competency 4: The student will demonstrate an application of syllabification rules by:

1. Dividing Spanish words into syllables.

Competency 5: The student will demonstrate an application of knowledge of Accent rules related to diphthongs and triphthongs by:

1. Correctly adding accents to Spanish words with diphthongs or triphthongs.

Competency 6: The student will demonstrate an application of knowledge by:

1. Written accent rules by using these rules to accent Spanish words.

Competency 7: The student will demonstrate a comprehension of the "parts of speech" in Spanish by:

 Identifying these various parts in examples of Spanish sentences through recognition of their characteristic and contrastive features.

Competency 8: The student will demonstrate an application of the knowledge of the use of different letters by:

1. Choosing from selected words in Spanish the letters which should be used, e.g., b vs. v, c vs. s vs. z vs. x, g vs. j, ll vs. y, r vs. rr, etc.

Competency 9: The student will demonstrate knowledge of the verb system in Spanish by:

1. Recalling a verb synopsis of the five moods (indicative, subjunctive, etc.

Competency 10: The student will demonstrate the ability to comprehend the main points of reading selections by:

1. Summarizing them.

Competency 11: The student will demonstrate a comprehension of written Spanish by:

1. Distinguishing the important information contained in a passage.

Competency 12: The student will demonstrate an acceptance of the value of using a Spanish dictionary to define words not known by:

1. Increasing dictionary usage to define new words.

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Learning Outcomes:

- Communicate effectively using listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills.
- Formulate strategies to locate, evaluate, and apply information.

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