

## SPAN 305 - The Structure of Spanish

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### *Description*

Intensive study and analysis of Spanish grammar including tense (e.g. past/present/future), aspect (e.g. preterite/imperfect, *estar*+gerund, present perfect), and mood (e.g. subjunctive/conditional/indicative); morphological problems (e.g. prepositions, *ser/estar*+adjective); and syntactic problems (e.g. subordinates). The presentation is done distinguishing stylistic variation in oral and written expression and dialectal variation. Students will be involved in designing a website about music (and/or other topics) in Spanish, where they will be practicing the grammar learned in class. [Prerequisite: SPAN 252]

### *Textbook*

Wheatley, Kathleen. 2006. *Sintaxis y morfología de la lengua española*. Prentice Hall / Pearson.

The textbook can be found in the Illini bookstore.

### *Grade Weighting*

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| Exam 1           | 25%  |
| Exam 2           | 25%  |
| Exam 3           | 25%  |
| Graded exercises | 25%  |
| TOTAL            | 100% |

Exams are non-cumulative and taken in class. There is no final exam, nor are there make-up exams (except in situations as stipulated by university regulations). There is no extra-credit in this course.

### *Grading scale*

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| 90 – 92 A- | 93 – 96 A | 97 – 103 A+ |
| 80 – 82 B- | 83 – 86 B | 87 – 89 B+  |
| 70 – 72 C- | 73 – 76 C | 77 – 79 C+  |
| 60 – 62 D- | 63 – 66 D | 67 – 69 D+  |
|            | 0 – 59 F  |             |

Rounding grades: If your grade contains a decimal less than .5, it will be rounded down (e.g. 82.4 = 82). However, if your grade contains a decimal of .5 or higher, it will be rounded up (e.g., 82.5 = 83).

### *Tentative calendar*

| Week        | Topic                | Assignment       |
|-------------|----------------------|------------------|
| 1 M – 8/ 24 | Introducción         |                  |
| 2 W – 8/ 26 | Categorías léxicas   | Cap. 1, p. 1-26  |
| 3 F – 8/ 28 | Categorías léxicas   | Ejercicios       |
| 4 M – 8/ 31 | Práctica             |                  |
| 5 W – 9/ 2  | Argumentos del verbo | Cap. 2, p. 29-46 |
| 6 F – 9/ 4  | Argumentos del verbo | Ejercicios       |

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| 7  | Sept. 7    |                      |                     |
| 8  | W – 9/ 9   | Argumentos del verbo | Cap. 2, p. 46-58    |
| 9  | F – 9/ 11  | Argumentos del verbo | Ejercicios          |
| 10 | M – 9/ 14  | Práctica             |                     |
| 11 | W – 9/ 16  | Sistema pronominal   | Cap. 5, p. 165-182. |
| 12 | F – 9/ 18  | Sistema pronominal   | Ejercicios          |
| 13 | M – 9/ 21  | Sistema pronominal   | Cap. 5, p. 182-188  |
| 14 | W – 9/ 23  | Sistema pronominal   | Ejercicios          |
| 15 | F – 9/ 25  | REVISION             |                     |
| 16 | M – 9/ 28  | PRUEBA 1             |                     |
| 17 | W – 9/ 30  | Práctica             |                     |
| 18 | F – 10/ 2  | Sistema pronominal   | Cap. 5, p. 189-202  |
| 19 | M – 10/ 5  | Sistema pronominal   | Ejercicios          |
| 20 | W – 10/ 7  | Oraciones complejas  | Cap. 6, p. 206-216  |
| 21 | F – 10/ 9  | Oraciones complejas  | Ejercicios          |
| 22 | M – 10/ 12 | Oraciones complejas  | Cap. 6, p. 216-223  |
| 23 | W – 10/ 14 | Oraciones complejas  | Ejercicios          |
| 24 | F – 10/ 16 | Práctica             |                     |
| 25 | M – 10/ 19 | Oraciones complejas  | Cap. 6, p. 223-226  |
| 26 | W – 10/ 21 | Oraciones complejas  | Ejercicios          |
| 27 | F – 10/ 23 | Oraciones complejas  | Ejercicios          |
| 28 | M – 10/ 26 | Sistema verbal       | Cap. 8, 256-261     |
| 29 | W – 10/ 28 | Sistema verbal       | Ejercicios          |
| 30 | F – 10/ 30 | Revisión             |                     |
| 31 | M – 11/ 2  | PRUEBA 2             |                     |
| 32 | W – 11/ 4  | Práctica             |                     |
| 33 | F – 11/ 6  | Sistema verbal       | Cap. 8, 262-267     |
| 34 | M – 11/ 9  | Sistema verbal       | Ejercicios          |
| 35 | W – 11/ 11 | Sistema verbal       | Cap. 8, 268-274     |
| 36 | F – 11/ 13 | Sistema verbal       | Ejercicios          |
| 37 | M – 11/ 16 | Sistema verbal       | Cap. 8, 274-276     |
| 38 | W – 11/ 18 | Sistema verbal       | Ejercicios          |
| 39 | F – 11/ 20 | Práctica             |                     |
| 40 | Nov. 23-27 |                      |                     |
| 41 | M – 11/ 30 | Perífrasis verbales  | Cap. 9, 280-300     |
| 42 | W – 12/ 2  | Perífrasis verbales  | Ejercicios          |
| 43 | F – 12/ 4  | Perífrasis verbales  | Ejercicios          |
| 44 | M – 12/ 7  | Revisión             |                     |
| 45 | W – 12/ 9  | Prueba 3             |                     |