

## **Spanish 102 Beginner II**

**Course Length: 4 weeks, 4 hours per day, 5 days per week.**

This course is an introduction to Spanish for the beginning student that has taken the beginning level I. The course is very intense and will teach basic grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation as well as reading and writing. The first session every class will be grammar and vocabulary. The second session will be a conversation lab. Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to express themselves in the present, past and future tenses. They will be able to express their basic needs and preferences as well as carry on a basic conversation.

### **Week One**

- ✓ General review of the auxiliary verbs poder, tener que, necesitar and querer.
- ✓ Review of the verb gustar.
- ✓ General review of the present tense regular and irregular verbs.
- ✓ Future tense.
- ✓ Time expressions used in the future and present tense.
- ✓ Adverbs of time.
- ✓ Uses of the expressions 'el mío', 'la mía', 'la suya'.

### **Week Two**

- ✓ Introduction to the conjugation of the regular verbs 3rd person of the imperative (command) tense.
- ✓ All the uses of the verbs ser and estar.
- ✓ Adverbs of manner.
- ✓ Present progressive tense.
- ✓ The formation of the gerund.
- ✓ The formation of the past participles.
- ✓ The uses of the verb estar with a past participle.
- ✓ Uses of the verbs ser and estar with adjectives.
- ✓ The uses of the verbs tener and haber.

### **Week Three**

- ✓ The reflexive verbs in present, imperative and future tense.
- ✓ Differences between muy and mucho, bien and bueno, poco and pequeño.
- ✓ Special verbs and their conjugations in present, past and future tense.
- ✓ Uses of también and tampoco.
- ✓ Impersonal phrases.
- ✓ Comparatives of superiority, inferiority and equality.
- ✓ The superlative.
- ✓ The indirect pronoun and verbs conjugated in present, past, future and imperative tense.

## **Week Four**

- ✓ The conjugation of the regular and irregular verbs in past tense.
- ✓ Time expressions in the past.
- ✓ Conjugation of verbs in past imperfect tense.
- ✓ The uses of verbs in past and past imperfect tense.
- ✓ Adverbs of negative.
- ✓ The direct pronoun.
- ✓ The difference between the verbs saber and conocer.
- ✓ Uses of the prepositions de, desde, a, hasta.
- ✓ The direct and indirect pronouns together.
- ✓ The differences between the verbs pedir and preguntar.

### **Grading:**

45% from homework and participation in class.  
20% of the grade will come from weekly quizzes.  
20% from the final exam.  
15% from the mid-term exam.

### **Grading Scale**

95-100% A+  
90- 94% A  
85-89% B+  
80-84% B  
75-79% C+  
70-74% C  
65-69% D+  
60-64% D  
59% and below is an F

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**The Use of English:** During the course your instructor will speak Spanish 90% of the time. You may use English only when absolutely necessary. When you need to ask a question in English, please ask permission to speak in English only after you have first tried to ask the question or express yourself in Spanish. Speaking only in Spanish will speed up the process of learning the language. It is very important that you use the vocabulary and construction that you will be learning. You should continue to speak Spanish after you leave the classroom. That is one of the advantages of studying in a Spanish speaking country and living with a local family.

**Attendance:** The shortness and intensity of the course demands that you be at every class if at all possible. The student will be allowed only one unexcused absence per course. For emergencies and sickness you will be offered make up classes.

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