

SPANISH 2002 SPRING 2012

Instructor:
Office hours:

Class time and location:
Phone:

Office:
E-mail address:

SPANISH 2002 is designed for those who have successfully completed SPANISH 2001, or those who have been advised to enter this course because of placement test scores.

Required texts: MÁ.S. UGA Edition. Perez-Girones, Adan-Linfante. New York: McGraw-Hill.
MÁS: Español Intermedio. Online Cuaderno de Prácticas. Perez-Girones, Adan-Linfante. New York: McGraw-Hill.
<http://www.mhcentro.com>

Goals of SPANISH 2002: By the end of the term, you should be able to do the following:

1. Engage in dialogue with classmates and instructor about situations in the past, present, and future; discuss daily activities, likes and dislikes, give advice and suggest group activities, express hope and desire as well as judgment and feelings;
2. Understand "edited" narration from the instructor, from the video component, and from classmates;
3. Read authentic material from the popular press as well as literary pieces and understand the main points;
4. Write personal descriptions, descriptive essays, family or friend anecdotes, statement letters, cause-effect essays and comparative essays;
5. Know basic concepts of the Hispanic culture and Hispanics in the USA and other topics and current events of general interest from a Hispanic perspective. Some of these topics may include: national and cultural identities, social issues, ecology, history, and the arts. The student is expected to be able to discuss these topics within a comparative and contrastive framework.

Grading Criteria:

Chapter tests (4)	20%	**Electronic workbook (accuracy)	10%
Labs (3)	5%	Oral Exams (2)	15%
Compositions (3)	15%	Partial Exam (1)	10%
*Class participation /Attendance (daily)	5%	Final Exam (1)	15%
Reading test	5%		

Plus/Minus Grading: All courses have a plus/minus grading system. The grade scale is as follows:

100- 93	A	4.0
92-90	A-	3.7
89-87	B+	3.3
86-83	B	3.0
82-80	B-	2.7

79-77	C+	2.3
76-71	C	2.0
70-68	C-	1.7
67-60	D	1.0
60-0	F	0

Class hours: This class meets on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for 50 minutes each day. If you are on a Tuesdays and Thursdays schedule, your class will meet for 1 hour and 15 minutes each day.

Some class rules

Class disruptions and bad behavior situations are not beneficial to the learning process in the classroom and will not be tolerated. Some examples are: inappropriate gestures, newspaper reading, crossword puzzles or other games and distractors, doing homework during class, studying for other classes, using English in Spanish class, as well as using gadgets such as cell phones, calculators, laptops and netbooks, mp3 players. Make sure that your beepers and cell phones are turned off before entering the classroom. Any of the actions mentioned above will affect your CLASS PARTICIPATION/ATTENDANCE grade. If any of these behaviors occur, your class participation grade for that day will be ZERO.

Class participation/attendance is based on participation, listening and oral activities assigned by the instructor in and outside of class. Every instructor will tailor this portion of the grade according to his or her discretion. Due to the nature of language acquisition, it is mandatory that you attend ALL classes and that you participate actively. It is the student's obligation to come to class prepared, which means reading and studying the topic(s) that will be discussed in the class session, as well as being able to express opinions about the topic using your own ideas. An optimal participation involves using adequate Spanish for the level of the class you are taking (not only with the instructor but also with classmates), voluntary participation in class activities, group work cooperation and respect for classmates and the class. Please see below for further information regarding attendance and tardiness.

Attendance:

Instructors will start checking attendance and deducting points after the drop/add period is over (Friday, January 13th, 2012). Any student with 15 (MWF) or 12 (TR) absences will not be allowed to take the final exam. You are allowed 3 absences without penalty for MWF classes and 2 absences without penalty for TR classes. This should take care of any emergency situation, school-related trips, religious observances or illness. After the allowed number of absences all absences will be considered unexcused, and 5 points per absence will be deducted from your FINAL participation/attendance grade unless you present medical documentation to your instructor within 7 days. The Spanish language supervisor will validate your medical documentation. Because oral participation is evaluated daily, any unexcused absences will affect your participation grade GREATLY.

PLEASE ALSO KEEP IN MIND THOSE GIVING A FALSE EXCUSE FOR FAILING TO SHOW UP FOR AN EVALUATION OR PROVIDING FAKE DOCUMENTS ARE IN VIOLATION OF THE UGA'S ACADEMIC HONESTY POLICY.

You must attend class every day. In case of absence you should communicate with your classmates to get information about the activities done in class and the homework you need to complete. It is important that you have some of your classmates' e-mails and phone numbers. Your absences do not excuse you from preparing for classes or completing homework.

Tardiness: Classes will start on time. Arriving late three times, WHICH MEANS ENTERING THE CLASSROOM ONCE THE INSTRUCTOR HAS ALREADY STARTED THE CLASS will count as ONE absence.

Missed work:

There are no make-ups of daily work, i.e. quizzes, homework or other classroom assessments. No late work will be accepted. THERE IS NO EXTRA CREDIT. Only if you miss the midterm exam due to an emergency, your final examination will replace that zero. However, remember that your instructor will make the final decision on this matter.

The Electronic workbook component is based on the electronic workbook exercises assignment for each chapter. The electronic workbook exercises are evaluated based on ACCURACY, but you will have 3 attempts per exercise to maximize your score. Electronic workbook assignments must be completed on time with no exceptions. Under no circumstance will online workbook assignments be accepted late.

Though use of MS Word's spell checker function in Spanish is encouraged, the use of translation programs, online translators, copying information from websites, or consulting a Spanish-speaking person while completing written assignments is not permitted. These actions will be treated as violations of the University of Georgia Honor Code.

Final examination: The final exam will be given according to the schedule on the Office of Registrar's Website: Monday, May 7th, 2012, 7:00 pm-10:00 pm. Conflicts with other final examinations should be resolved early in the semester. You must present documentation following the instructions for rescheduling, which are located at the following websites: www.bulletin.uga.edu and www.curriculumsystems.uga.edu. It is also important that you talk to your instructor to let him or her know that you will need to take your final at a date later than that scheduled. One make-up exam will be given the following day (Tuesday, May 8th, 2012, 8:00 am-11:00am). Final exams will not be given at an earlier date for any reason. A grade of I (incomplete) is given only when you are unable to take the written final due to an emergency situation.

IF YOU KNOW THAT YOU CANNOT BE PRESENT FOR THE FINAL EXAM, DO NOT TAKE THIS COURSE.

Class withdrawal:

You may withdraw from this class and receive a grade of WP up to the mid-point withdrawal deadline of the semester, Thursday, March 22nd, 2012. You must withdraw from the class by selecting the Withdrawal Option on the Main Menu in OASIS. After this date, you will receive a grade of WF.

Student grades: Your instructor will grade and return exams, compositions and other assignments in a timely fashion. By the last day of class, you will be provided with a summary of your grades up to the final exam.

ADA Statement: Students with disabilities requiring academic accommodations should inform the instructor as early in the semester as possible.

Student concerns: If you have a concern about your Spanish class, try to resolve it with your instructor first. Concerns not resolved by students and instructors may be brought to the attention of the preceptor, Daniel Sanchez, Gilbert 315, (706) 542-6727, damniel@uga.edu or to the Spanish supervisor, Dr. Teresa Pérez-Gamboa, Gilbert 311, (706) 542-3972, perez@uga.edu. Communication through e-mail is preferred

A basic time schedule of material to be covered is given below. Your instructor will give you more detailed information and assign specific activities as needed. The last day of class is Monday, April 30th, 2012.

SEE DETAILED SYLLABUS AT www.rom.uga.edu

Week #	Dates	Textbook progress	Evaluations/Examinations/Holidays
1	Jan 9th-13th	Introduction, Chapter 7	
2	Jan 16th-20th	Chapter 7	MLK: Monday Jan 16
3	Jan 23th-27th	Chapter 7-8	Chapter Test 1 (1/25)
4	Jan 30th-Feb 3rd	Chapter 8	Lab 1: MWF (1/30); TR (2/1)
5	Feb 6th-10th	Chapter 8	Chapter Test 2: MWF (2/8); TR (2/9)
6	Feb 13th-17th	Chapter 9	Composition 1: MWF (2/13); TR (2/14)
7	Feb 20th-24th	Chapter 9	Lab 2: MWF (2/24); TR (2/23)
8	Feb 27th-Mar 2nd	Chapter 9	Composition 2 (at home): MWF (2/29); TR (2/28) Midterm Exam: MWF (3/2); TR (3/1)
9	Mar 5th-9th	Chapter 10	Oral Exam 1: MWF (3/9); TR (3/8)
10	Mar 12th-16th	No classes	Spring Break
11	Mar 19th-23th	Chapter 10	Midpoint withdrawal deadline: Thursday, Mar 22 nd
12	Mar 26 th -30th	Chapter 10-11	Chapter Test 3: MWF (3/26); TR (3/27)
13	Apr 2th-6th	Chapter 11	Lab 3: MWF (4/2); TR (4/3)
14	Apr 9th-13th	Chapter 11-12	Chapter Test 4: MWF (4/9); TR (4/10) Composition 3 (in class): MWF (4/13); TR (4/17)
15	Apr 16th-20th	Chapter 12	Oral Exam 2: MWF (4/20); TR (4/19)
16	Apr 23th-27th	Chapter 12	Miniprueba de Lectura del Semestre: MWF (4/23); TR (4/24)
17	Apr 30th	Last day of class	
18	May 7th		FINAL EXAM (7:00-10:00pm)

Academic Honesty Policy: "I will be academically honest in all of my academic work and will not tolerate academic dishonesty from others" – **UGA's Student Honor Code:** All academic work must meet the standards contained in "A Culture of Honesty" Students are responsible for informing themselves about those standards before performing any academic work.

The course syllabus is a general plan for the course; deviations announced to the class by the instructor may be necessary.