

SPAN 4210: Spanish Phonetics and Pronunciation (Otoño de 2020)

Remote mode, Section 001

(Syllabus: a simplified version)

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[NOT the Canvas inbox])

“Office” hours (virtual; audio conference): Tu & Th 11 am-12 pm (by appointment)
Please email me (jiyoung.yoon@unt.edu) at least one day before you want to schedule office hours so that I may set up a time for an audio Zoom conference.

COURSE COMMUNICATION

- **Announcements.** Announcements will be posted in CANVAS on a regular basis. They will appear on your CANVAS dashboard when you log in. (If not, click “Announcement” in CANVAS). Please make certain to check them regularly for any important updates. If you wish to receive notifications in your email or mobile device, you can set it up in CANVAS (watch a tutorial: <https://community.canvaslms.com/videos/1072-notification-preferences-all-users>).
- **E-mail.** If you have any specific and essential questions, the preferred method of communication is through email (jiyoung.yoon@unt.edu). I will regularly check my email throughout the day (during daytime work hours). Please do not send me messages via CANVAS inbox because I will not be notified via email and I will not use the inbox function in CANVAS frequently.

ONLINE COURSE FORMAT

- **CANVAS:** This course will be conducted via CANVAS.
- **Class materials not for the public:** You can watch and listen to my audio or video lectures as many times as you want, but these materials are prepared for this class ONLY, which means that you are NOT allowed to share the audio or video lectures with anyone else NOR reproduce them in any forms. The UNT reminds all the students of the prohibition of the theft of IP (intellectual property) and FERPA violation from courses being taught online. In order to protect faculty’s intellectual property, the following should be observed by all the students:

“Class recordings are reserved for use only by students in this class for educational purposes. The recordings should not be shared outside the class in any form. Failing to follow this restriction is a violation of the UNT Code of Student Conduct and could lead to disciplinary action.”

COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES

This course aims to introduce students to the study of Spanish phonetics. Theoretical and practical aspects related to this discipline will be covered. The entire class will be taught in Spanish and students must respond and speak in Spanish at all times (in recordings and in

your group Zoom sessions) unless your professor indicates otherwise. Due to the remote delivery format of this class, it is imperative that students complete all the assignments on time and interact with your assigned group members for each given task to achieve the following course objectives:

- Improve pronunciation in Spanish
- Explore the interrelationship between oral and written language
- Describe and discuss how the Spanish phonetic system works
- Know and appreciate the dialect differences in contemporary Spanish

PREREQUISITE

3 hours of any advanced level course (3000 o 4000)

REQUIRED TEXTBOOK

- Teschner, Richard V. *Camino oral*. 2nd ed. Boston: McGraw Hill.
(Optional: Audio CDs que acompañan a *Camino Oral*)

REQUIRED SYSTEM AND TECHNOLOGY

This course requires students to have the following technology, skills, and system in order to carry out the required assignments of the class: downloading and uploading files, using Canvas, video and voice recording in Canvas, using Zoom, using a **webcam**, using **LockDown Browser system** (instructions and link to download the one-time application is available in Canvas in Module “Course Introduction and Syllabus”).

It is the student responsibility to have a computer that is compatible with LockDown Browser and that is equipped with a webcam. You can also take the quizzes/exam in the Language Lab (in Language Building computer labs, first floor) where you don't need to download the application to your computer.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

If you need help with technology, please do not contact your professor. Contact:

Canvas: UIT Student Helpdesk (Sage Hall 330), <https://it.unt.edu/helpdesk> (live chat); helpdesk@unt.edu (e-mail); phone number 940-565-2324

EVALUATION

Homework	20%
Discussion forums	24%
Quizzes	18%
Group practice sessions	5%
Midterm exam	16%
Final (format TBA)	12%
Participation / Preparation / Punctuality	5%

100-90 = A

89-80= B

79-70 = C

69-60 = D

59-0 = F

COMPONENTS OF THE COURSE:

Homework:

You will upload the assigned homework on the day indicated in the syllabus. The link to upload the homework will be available online until 11:59 PM every Tuesday. After 11:59 PM, you won't be able to submit your HW, so don't wait until the last minute! If you have already done your HW, you can upload it days before. Late homework will not be accepted unless an official document (e.g., doctor's note) is provided to the professor (via an email communication).

Discussion Forums:

Discussion Forums are a way for you to engage one other about the course. Some lesson modules will have a question that links to a forum. In order to get full credit for each discussion, you will need to post a thoughtful, well-written and articulated response to the question and/or make thoughtful and substantial comments on the discussions posted by your classmates. No late work will be accepted. The grading rubric for the assessment and more detailed information will be posted in Canvas.

Group Practice Sessions:

Students will engage in a 30-minute group practice session (twice) with the professor using the Zoom video function in Canvas. There will be two practice sessions (week 6 [9/29] and week 10 [10/27], 30 minutes for each session). For each session, there will be two time slots provided by the professor for which students are to sign up in advance (in Canvas Calendar). It is the student's responsibility to make the necessary arrangements to participate in the practice session on the day scheduled. If there is an unavoidable time conflict with the time slots available, contact your professor immediately to reschedule.

Participation / Preparation / Punctuality:

Active participation is essential to your success in this class. The participation portion of your grade will be based on the quality of your preparation for each assignment and the interaction you have with other students and your professor in the course. In addition, your participation grade will be based on punctuality (no late or missing work) and the level of contribution to the discussions online (i.e., posting substantial video or written comments). In online courses you are required to participate just as if you were in a face-to-face course. This means that in order to improve your level of participation, prepare thoroughly for each assignment. This may require the careful reading and studying of the materials and several viewings of the audio/video lectures. It is also essential that you complete your video / discussion assignments, homework, and quizzes on a timely basis.

Quizzes:

Short quizzes will be given, so you can keep up with the class materials regularly. Each quiz will consist of about questions on what you have learned in the lessons. The duration of each quiz is limited to 15 minutes. All quizzes will be using LockDown Browser System.

Midterm Exam & Final:

There will be a midterm exam. You will be required to use LockDown Browser with a webcam.. The format and details about the final will be announced later. No *make-up*.

IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT QUIZZES AND EXAMS

- All quizzes and exams are closed book, closed notes, closed resources. Exams must be taken alone and no communication with other individuals is allowed. The usage of electronic translators is completely prohibited. As a UNT student, academic integrity and honesty are expected of you. Infringements on this policy will result in a grade of zero (0).
- You are NOT allowed to discuss the questions and answers with your classmates; you are NOT allowed to consult with or contact other students in any way during and after these quizzes. (See the section of Academy Integrity).

COURSE POLICIES:

Netiquette:

When posting on the discussion boards (via video or through written form), it is important to understand how to interact with one another online: in other words, netiquette. Adhere to the same standards of behavior online that you follow in real life. You can read more about the rules of netiquette at <http://www.albion.com/netiquette/index.html>.

Late assignment & Make-up:

Late assignment / HW will NOT be accepted without official documentation from your doctor or the university that has been provided within a week. Neither will be “make-up” practice sessions / quizzes / discussion posting / exams, etc.

Outside help / Academic integrity:

All assignments should be your own work only. This means no help at all from humans or technology (i.e. translation program). Cheating, plagiarism, and other examples of academic misconduct will be pursued and sanctions will be levied. More specifically, you cannot copy others' work or sentences from textbooks, *web*, etc. You CANNOT have another student, a tutor or friend/family CORRECT or TRANSLATE your work. Your work should reflect the level of proficiency that you are in. Any attempt to hand in work not done by yourself will receive a zero (0). For any specific questions about your work, you should contact me during my office hours.

“The UNT Department of Spanish adheres to the University’s policy on Student Academic Integrity. For all pertinent assignments and assessments, the work must be the student’s work only (unless otherwise indicated by the course instructor) and should reflect the student’s level of proficiency. Students are prohibited from asking another person (i.e. a friend, tutor, or relative) to help them develop or compose a response (oral or written) in preparation for, or while completing, an assignment or assessment that will be graded and applied to the student’s final grade in the course. This includes, but is not limited to, receiving outside assistance with drafting, revising, editing, or developing the content and structure of a response to an assignment or assessment question without consent from the course instructor. Also, the use of translation technology (any digital translation tool or app) is prohibited for all assignments and assessments and will be considered academic misconduct. Information “cut and pasted” or otherwise copied from other sources and used as answers in assignments and assessments will be considered plagiarism. If a student has any doubts whatsoever as to what constitutes

any form of scholastic dishonesty, they should consult with the course instructor before submitting their work. Cheating, plagiarism, and other examples of academic misconduct defined by University Policy will result in a zero on the assignment or assessment in question, and may be reported to the Dean of Students.”

Addendum to Academic Integrity for the online format:

Students who violate University rules on academic dishonesty are subject to disciplinary actions, including the possibility of failure in the course. A violation of the course policy may include (but is not limited to) the following:

- Providing your UNT EUID to any other person
- Collaborating or sharing information with another person regarding the material on any assessment or assignment, before, during and/or after any assessment or assignment
- Recording any quiz, assessment or assignment material in any format
- The public (such that it can be viewed by more than one person) posting of any form of a test bank or group of questions from any assignment

Student behavior in the (virtual) classroom:

Student behavior that interferes with an instructor’s ability to conduct a class or other students’ opportunity to learn is unacceptable and disruptive and will not be tolerated in any instructional forum at UNT. Students engaging in unacceptable behavior will be directed to leave the (virtual) classroom (i.e., Canvas) and the instructor may refer the student to the Dean of Students to consider whether the student’s conduct violated the Code of Student Conduct. The University’s expectations for student conduct apply to all instructional forums, including University and electronic classrooms, labs, discussion groups, field trips, etc. The Code of Student Conduct can be found at www.unt.edu/csrr.

Disability accommodation:

The University of North Texas makes reasonable academic accommodation for students with disabilities. Students seeking reasonable accommodation must first register with the Office of Disability Accommodation (ODA) to verify their eligibility. If a disability is verified, the ODA will provide you with a reasonable accommodation letter to be delivered to faculty to begin a private discussion regarding your specific needs in a course. You may request reasonable accommodations at any time, however, ODA notices of reasonable accommodation should be provided as early as possible in the semester to avoid any delay in implementation. Note that students must obtain a new letter of reasonable accommodation for every semester and must meet with each faculty member prior to implementation in each class.

Students are strongly encouraged to deliver letters of reasonable accommodation during faculty office hours or by appointment. Faculty members have the authority to ask students to discuss such letters during their designated office hours to protect the privacy of the student. For additional information see the Office of Disability Accommodation website at <http://www.unt.edu/oda>. You may also contact them by phone at 940.565.4323.

UNT Diversity and Inclusion Policy:

The Department of Spanish strictly adheres to UNT standards for diversity and inclusion in all interactions with students, faculty and staff as stated in UNT Policy 04.018 University Policy Statement on Diversity:

“The University of North Texas values diversity and individuality as part of advancing ideals of human worth, dignity and academic excellence. Diverse viewpoints enrich open discussion, foster the examination of values and exposure of biases, help educate people in rational conflict resolution and responsive leadership, and prepare us for the complexities of a pluralistic society. As such, the University of North Texas is committed to maintaining an open, welcoming atmosphere that attracts qualified students, staff, and faculty from all groups to support their success. The University of North Texas does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, age, disability, genetic information, or veteran status in its application and admission process, educational programs and activities, employment policies and use of university facilities.”

Info about the important deadlines (Office of the Registrar):

<https://registrar.unt.edu/registration/>

**∞ Plan de clase ∞
(simplified version; outline only)**

Note: Details about the class plan and the assignments/due dates are provided in a complete version of syllabus for students.

Week 1: Introduction; Chapter 1
Week 2: Chapter 1: p. 6-9
Week 3: Chapter 2: p. 12-26
Week 4: p. 27-32; Chapter 3: p. 33-42
Week 5: p. 43-58
Week 6: Review
Week 7: Midterm; Chapter 4: p. 63-67
Week 8: p. 67-76
Week 9: p. 76-81
Week 10: Review + Chapter 5: p. 87-98
Week 11: p. 99-105
Week 12: p. 107-111; Chapter 8: p. 187-197
Week 13: p. 197-213
Week 14: p. 214-220; Thanksgiving
Week 15: p. 221-222; Review
Week 16: Final (12/10, 10 AM due)