

Spanish 3150.001 Summer 1 2013
Spanish Civilization and Culture

Meeting Dates/Times: Monday-Thursday, 12:00 p.m.-1:50 p.m.
Also meets Friday, June 7, 12:00 p.m.-1:50 p.m.
Class Location: Lang 104
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Office Hours: By appointment

ODA STATEMENT:

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COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES:

The purpose of this course is to familiarize the student in a general way with the history and culture of Spain. Historical, cultural, and artistic events and achievements that have taken place in Spanish civilization from the prehistoric period to modern-day will be highlighted in order to build a foundation for a more in-depth study of the life, literature, and culture of Spain. This course will also serve to expand and enrich the student's vocabulary as well as to further improve speaking, reading, writing, and oral comprehension skills in Spanish.

METHODS OF INSTRUCTION:

Both group and class discussions of assigned readings will comprise the bulk of class time. In addition, film clips will be incorporated. Class will be conducted in Spanish.

REQUIRED TEXT:

Pereira-Muro, Carmen, Culturas de España, Houghton Mifflin Company, 2003.

GRADE SPREAD:

A	90%-100%
B	80%-89%
C	70%-79%
D	60%-69%
F	59%-less

GRADE DISTRIBUTION:

Exams (3)	45%
In Class Activities / Participation	25%
Final Exam	20%
Group Project	10%

EXAMS:

Three exams will be given, each of which will cover specific chapters in the textbook. If an exam is missed, the student must contact me immediately and provide valid, written proof of an emergency. If the reason for missing the exam is determined to be valid, then the next scheduled exam will serve as the make-up by being doubled in value. A student may use this option only once during the course of the semester. No make ups for unauthorized absences.

IN CLASS ACTIVITIES / PARTICIPATION:

For each chapter you will work in small groups to answer a series of comprehension/discussion questions before we discuss the material as a class. It is very important that you complete the assigned readings before each class and that you arrive ready to participate actively and cooperatively in the activities. If you miss class, you will receive a "0" for the in class activities assigned for that day. Additionally, you will receive a "0" for each day you do not stay on task (talking off topic, texting, etc.) during all activities including film showings.

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

Students are expected to attend all classes and attendance will be taken every class. You are allowed **one** free absence this semester which you are encouraged to save for an unavoidable circumstance. After the first absence, you will receive an attendance / participation grade of "0" for each class that you miss. Arriving late or leaving early will also have a negative affect on your attendance / participation grade.

Excused absences include the following: illnesses, deaths in the family, religious holidays, and university sponsored activities. For illnesses and deaths, you must provide documentation (physician's statement, obituary, etc.) upon returning to class in order to be excused. Absences in observance of religious holidays are authorized only if you have notified your instructor in writing. For university sponsored activities, you must obtain authorized absence cards from the Dean of Students and present them to your instructor in order for your absences to be excused. Only those individuals whose absences are authorized by the instructor will be eligible to make up any material missed.

GROUP PROJECT:

Working in groups you will plan a trip to one of the autonomous regions of Spain. Each group will present their plans to the class using visual aids. The main focus will be to talk about specific places you will visit and their historical and cultural significance. More details to come. Groups and topics will be assigned during the second week of classes.

FINAL EXAM:

The final exam for this course will be given on Friday, July 5, from 12:00 p.m.-1:50 p.m. in Lang 104. Please note that the University specifically prohibits any deviation from the announced Final Exam Schedule. No make ups for final exams.

STUDENT BEHAVIOR IN THE 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 classroom and the instructor may refer the student to the Center for Student Rights and Responsibilities 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 classroom, labs, discussion groups, field trips, etc. The Code of Student Conduct can be found at www.unt.edu/csrr

OUTSIDE HELP/ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

All assignments should be the student's work only and should reflect the student's level of proficiency. Cheating, plagiarism, and other examples of academic misconduct will be pursued and sanctions will be levied.

CELL PHONES AND LAPTOPS

Cell phones must be off and kept out of sight at all times during class meetings. Any use of a cell phone in class will lower your in class activity and participation grades. Additionally, the use of other electronic devices including laptop computers in class is not allowed.

SPANISH 3150 SUMMER I 2013 COURSE CALENDAR
Subject to change at the instructor's discretion

DATE	TEXTBOOK: <i>¡ANDA! Curso Intermedio</i>
June: 3-7 Note: class meets on Friday, June 7	Introduction to the course Capítulo introductorio , pp 1-21 Capítulo 1: La formación de España , pp 25-43 Capítulo 2: La España medieval , pp 44-52
10-13	Exam I Capítulo 3: Hacia la unidad de España y la formación de un imperio , pp 78-99 Capítulo 4: El imperio español , pp 100-124
17-20	Exam II Capítulo 5: El siglo XVII , pp 125-149 Capítulo 6: El siglo XVIII , pp 151-174
24-27	Exam III Capítulo 7: El siglo XIX , pp 175-200 Capítulo 8: Del siglo XX al siglo XXI , pp 203-232
1-3 No class Thursday, July 4	Group Presentations
5	Final Exam