# COURSE: Spanish 3NS 55131 INSTRUCTOR: Sara Aguirre

**SEMESTER: Spring 2015 Office: ANNEX #3**

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**DESCRIPTION**

Spanish 3NS- Spanish for Spanish Speakers- 4 units

First-semester of beginning course in Spanish for bilingual or monolingual native speakers designed to develop reading and writing skills for native speakers of Spanish. Focuses on expanding vocabulary, improving orthography and use of grammatical structures of standard Spanish, both oral and written. Reading ands and class discussions, and writing assignments. Concise and correct oral communication is stressed as well.

**DESCRIPCION DEL CURSO**

Este curso está diseñado para hablantes nativos del castellano o español. Los propósitos primordiales son conocer las reglas gramaticales del español “estándar” y/o formal, leer y escribir correctamente su idioma nativo y aumentar sus conocimientos de la rica cultura hispana de todo el mundo.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

1. To achieve reading, writing and speaking in Spanish.
2. To learn about the Hispanic culture.

**OBJETIVOS DEL CURSO**

1. Introducir, de manera básica las reglas y terminología que se han de observar para hablar, leer y escribir “formalmente” el español de los hispanohablantes.

2. Establecer procedimientos básicos en cuanto a la comprensión de una lectura, para lograr así un mayor aprovechamiento de la lectura silenciosa y oral.

3. Aumentar el nivel lingüístico, cultural y literario de los participantes.

## MODO DE APRENDIZAJE

La clase se conducirá en un ambiente donde la participación del estudiante será vital. La única manera de cumplir con los objetivos propuestos será por medio de una intervención activa y acertada de parte de los estudiantes. Por consiguiente es necesaria la preparación, anticipada, de los temas a tratar.

## Class Procedures

### Se habla español

Spanish in the language of communication here, and I expect you to make every effort to use Spanish and avoid English in this classroom. **Socializing in English during class hours is not permitted.** Don’t worry if you don’t understand everything I say. If you already knew Spanish you wouldn’t be in this class! Learning a new language requires opening your mouth and taking risks. We are all here to support you and each other in this new endeavor.

**REQUIRED TEXT:**

1. Nuestro idioma, nuestra herencia. Garcia, Carney & Sandoval. McGraw-Hill 2011.
2. One (1) blank writeable CD & one or two USB memory sticks to save information electronically from a computer (ex. Essays, Power point presentations photos etc.) to be turned in at the end of the semester.
3. A Binder to keep all completed Spanish assignments in order and tentative schedule. This will be turned in daily and with all the assignments at the end of the semester.
4. Spanish-Spanish dictionary (or Access to Internet).
5. Save and study all handouts given in class.

**REQUISITOS PARA EL CURSO**

1. Texto y manual de actividades: Nuestro idioma, nuestra herencia.
2. Un Disco escribible en blanco y uno o dos ‘USB memory sticks’ para guardar información electrónicamente atraves de una computadora (ej: los ensayos de la clase, presentación en PowerPoint, trabajos de investigación, fotos, etc.)
3. Una carpeta y hojas rayadas para apuntes completados, diario, y tarea de la clase. Se traerán diariamente y se entregarán al final del semestre.
4. Un diccionario español-español
5. Guardar y estudiar todas las hojas dadas en clase (handouts).

# **Homework and Preparation**

You are expected to dedicate two hours of preparation for every hour of class time. Don’t get behind on this schedule because learning a language is the result of cumulative efforts. Trying to “cram” this week to make up for what you didn’t do last week is not an effective way of learning a language and will make your future progress more difficult. (Homework will not be accepted late). It must be completed at the beginning of the class period and total packages turned in complete by test date. You will not receive all points possible if homework is not complete and on time.

# **Extra Help**

Please know I am here to help you learn Spanish and to achieve your academics goals. If you have concerns about the class or your progress, do not hesitate to raise your hand and ask for clarification when needed talk to me, sooner instead of later. The college generously provides peer tutors at no cost to the student. You may wish to take advantage of this service. Please see Mr. Zeck at the tutorial center a.s.a.p.

Extra credit points may be earned, see me on Thursdays during office hours.

# **Comportment**

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**GRADES, REQUIREMENT, ECT.:**

1. General Requirements:

Students are expected to complete all assignments, and attend all class periods, and take all examinations.

1. Specific Requirements:

Attendance/Participation:

Regular attendance is required. Tardiness counts against your grade and 2 will be counted equivalent to an absence. If you are ill, call 638-3641 Ext 3281 to get the assignments missed, to be turned in upon your return. If you expect to be out more than 3 days, call the instructor. Attendance/participation along with your homework will consist of approximately 25% of your grade. If you are absent and wish to make-up on/or before the Friday following your return to class. If you arrive after roll has been taken, be sure to let the instructor know so that the absence marked can be changed to a tardy the same day, otherwise it will be counted as an absence. Students are expected to speak Spanish only to develop fluency skills, otherwise points may be deducted. No late homework will be accepted, it must be ready when class begins. A notice will be posted on the door if class is canceled.

**GRADOS, REQUISITOS, EXC.:**

1. Requisitos Generales: Se espera que los estudiantes terminen todas las asignaciones, y atienda a todos los períodos de la clase, y tome todas las examinaciones.
2. Requisitos Específicos:

Atención Participación:

Se requiere la atención regular Se asume que si el estudiante esta en clase participará activamente en las actividades presentadas. . Las tardanzas cuentan en contra su grado y 2 tardanzas serán equivalente a una ausencia. Si usted se enferma, llame 638-3641 Ext. 3281 para obtener las asignaciones faltantes, para que sean entregadas a su regreso. Si usted espera estar ausente por más de 3 días, llame a su instructor y déjele saber. Atención/participación junto con su preparación consistirá en el aproximadamente el 25% de su grado. A través del semestre el estudiante entregara ensayos acerca de varios temas. Los ensayos tendrán que ser entregados en letra impresa y escritos en español correcto. Por cada día hábil de retraso en la entrega de las composiciones se pierde el diez por ciento del porcentaje asignado. Si usted está ausente y desea enmendar su falta en/ o antes del viernes siguiendo su regreso a la clase. Si usted llega después que se haya tomado la asistencia, asegúrese de avisarle a su instructor para que la falta marcada sea cambiada para tardanza el mismo día, por lo contrario será considerado una falta. Durante el semestre se consideraran 2 faltas (ej. Enfermedad o emergencia) sin que pierda el porcentaje asignado de 10% por participación. Después de 2 faltas se restaran 3 puntos del porcentaje final por cada ausencia adicional (la ausencia equivale a la no participación). Además la profe3sora se reserva el derecho de quitarlo/a de la lista como estudiante in la clase después del equivalente a una semana de faltas. Se espera que los estudiantes hablen español para desarrollar solamente habilidades de la fluidez, si no los puntos pueden ser deducidos. No se aceptará ninguna tarea tardía, debe la tarea estar lista al comienzo de la clase. Si la tarea no está completa al principio de la clase recibirán menos puntos. Habrá un anuncio en la puerta si es imposible reunirnos en alguna ocasión.

**GRADES:**

After each unit is completed, a written test will be given as per the attached schedule to determine how well the student has mastered the lesson. This will also show how well the student can write and use proper grammar in Spanish. There will also be essays and oral reports. A final exam will also be given to determine how well the student has mastered the lesson studies up to that point. The final will be oral and written. Students may have the choice of doing a project to be presented orally before the evening of the cultural activity dinner if they are unable to attend that cultural activity but teacher must approve the topic.

If you cannot take a test on your regularly schedule hour, be sure to make prior arrangements with the instructor. If not taken by the end of the following week you will receive 0 points= an “f” for the test. You may not wait more than one week to take a test that was missed (limit 1). A test may be taken only once. “NO MAKE –UP TESTS”.

**Way to Learn**

The class will be addresses to an environment where student’s participation will be vital. The only way to fulfill with the proposed objectives will be by an active intervention and assertiveness by the students. Therefore the preparation is necessary, anticipated of the subjects to treat.

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**Participation and homework points = approximately 25%**

**Chapter Test and Final Test/Project points = approximately 75%**

**90 - 100% =A**

**80 - 89% =B**

**70 – 79% =C**

**60 – 69% =D**

**59% below =F**

**It is the student’s responsibility to get officially registered by deadline date if you are on a waiting list and also to drop officially if you stop attending.**

**Es la responsabilidad del estudiante de registrarse oficialmente por la fecha del plazo si está usted en una lista de espera y también dar de alta oficialmente si deja de asistir a la clase.**

**TENTATIVE SCHEDULE-SPRING 2015**

**COURSE: Spanish 3NS**

**SEMESTER: Spring 2015**

Tues. Thurs. 11:00- 12:50

(Test dates may be moved according to the progress and completion of units.)

**TESTS DATES LESSON TEST**

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| Thurs. Jan. 15 | Accent Quiz |
| Thurs. Jan. 22 | Capítulo 1 Essays due (typed double space 14 font) |
| Thurs. Jan. 29 | Capítulo1 powerpoint presentation |
| Thurs. Feb. 5 | Capítulo 1 test |
| Thurs. Feb. 12 | Capítulo 2 essays due |
| Thurs. Feb. 19 | Capítulo 2 PowerPoint presentations |
| Thurs. Feb. 26 | Capítulo 2 test |
| Tues. March 3 | Preguntas de comprensión and grammar ex. due |
| Thurs. March 5 | Capítulo 3 essay due |
| Thurs. March. 12 | Capítulo 3 PowerPoint presentations |
| Thurs. March 19 | Capítulo 3 test |
| Tues. March 24 | Capítulo 4 preguntas de comprensión and grammar ex. due |
| March 30-April 2 | Spring Recess- NOCLASS |
| Thurs. April 9 | Capítulo 4 Prepare essay and PowerPoint presentations |
| Tues. April 16 | Presentations ( outline, essay and highlighted source due) |
| Tues.21& Thurs 23 | PowerPoint and individual Presentations |
| April 28, May 2 | Preparation for program |
| Friday, May 1 | Cultural activity dinner (3 hours) (approximately 4:00-7:00) at R.C. Cafeteria. Please make arrangements to attend in advance. |
| Thurs. May 7 | Chapter 4 |
| Final Exam | Thurs. May 21 11:00-12:50 |

**Important Dates**

Jan. 19 Holiday - Martin Luther King Jr. (NO CLASSES held)

Feb 1 Last day to drop a full-length class to avoid a “W”

Feb. 6 Deadline to change to or from CR/NC. An option for this class

Feb, 13 & 16 Holiday – Presidents’ Day (NO CLASSES held)

March 13 Final date to drop a class

March 30-April 3 Spring Recess (NO CLASSES held – Campus open M-Thurs.)

April 28th – April 30 Preparation for Program

May 1 Cultural Activity Dinner / Presentations program

Thurs. May 21 Final exam (11:00 – 12:50)

**DROP DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MARCH 13- LAST DAY TO DROP or register for A SEMESTER LENGTH CLASS GRADING.**

**OPTION: FRIDAY, Feb. 6 LAST DAY TO CHANGE CLASS TO CREDIT/NO CREDIT.**

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**ACCOMMODATION STATEMENT:**

If you have a verified need for an academic accommodation or materials in alternate media (i.e. Braille, large print, electronic text, etc.) as per the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, please contact me as soon as possible.

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**Class Sec Days Hour Room Instructor**

**Spanish 3NS 50389 MWF 10:00-10:50 Soc-30 Sara Aguirre**

##### CONTRACT

I, , have read carefully and fully understand the procedures and expectations for this course.

(Signature) (Date)

Phone:

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##### Questionnaire

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Have you ever studied Spanish before (When? Where? How long?) Or is it spoken at home?

Do you speak any languages other than English?

Why have you chosen to study Spanish now? (Please be frank.)

What are your career objectives?

What are your hobbies or special interests?

What are your expectations of this course? What would you like to gain from it?

Do you have any special needs or circumstances, or is there anything else you would like me to know about you?

How many units are you taking this semester? Do you work? How many hours per week? Do you have other major commitments, family, etc.?

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VI. COURSE OUTCOMES:

***(Specify the learning skills the student demonstrates through completing the course and link critical thinking skills to specific course content and objectives.)***

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate, distinguish and utilize the appropriate vocabulary, grammar and idioms to reflect standard language used by the educated native speaker in Latin America and Spain.
2. Compose in a variety of modalities: personal letters, descriptive and narrative essays, research documents, etc.
3. Read and comprehend Spanish language newspapers, magazines, short stories, and essays.
4. Engage in conversation in Spanish by being consciously aware of the varieties and accents within the language of English, interference of code switching, and of other commonalities of oral expression.
5. Formulate and relate in Spanish thoughts and ideas about personal readings.
6. Distinguish differences and similarities between Latino culture, literature and history within the U.S. and in Spanish-speaking countries.

**II COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

***(Specify major objectives in terms of the observable knowledge and/or skills to be attained.)***

In the process of completing this course, student will:

1. Read, comprehend, and analyze stories, poems and essays in Hispanic and U.S. Latino literature.
2. Compose and organize in a variety of modalities in Spanish: simple paragraphs, personal letters, and reflective and research essays.
3. Obtain a deeper understanding and appreciation of historic and contemporary Hispanic culture.
4. Understand what “standard” Spanish means and when it is used.
5. Identify interference from English.
6. Develop the analytical and thinking skills appropriate to analyzing essays and evaluating research by discussing readings and outside sources.
7. Demonstrate a low-intermediate level of proficiency, the five skills as mandated by the competency guidelines of the American Council of the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL): listening comprehension, speaking, reading, writing and understanding of the people and cultures of Spanish-speaking countries.