

Elementary Spanish I and II: Advanced Beginners

Spanish 0210 is designed **for students who have some prior experience in Spanish**. It is an **intensive** elementary-level language course that in one semester covers the material studied over two semesters in our Spanish 0100 and Spanish 0200 sequence. The course provides a quick-paced review of material normally covered in a first semester Spanish course and then proceeds to introduce new material so students will be prepared to take Spanish 0300 during the subsequent semester. As in other Spanish courses, Spanish 0210 emphasizes the development of foundational listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills while exploring the rich cultural mosaic of the Spanish-speaking world. A semester-long project will advance students' knowledge of Hispanic culture.

Conducted entirely in Spanish, this class will provide you with guided practice before moving to more independent and spontaneous language production. You will participate in paired, small-group and whole-class activities that will help you gain confidence communicating in Spanish.

Class Structure for Spring 2024

- The course meets regularly in person and follows the departmental attendance policy. You should be available, therefore, for all scheduled class sessions. In class, we will hone our language skills through paired, small-group and whole-class activities.
- Homework and preparation:
 - You are expected to study grammar lessons, practice conjugations, memorize vocabulary, and complete any assigned exercises in writing before coming to class. That preparation will be essential for our in-class interactions and will help determine your final grade.
 - You are expected to do, on average, about an hour of work outside the classroom for each hour in the classroom.
 - There will also be a series of video activities, no more frequently than once a week. Depending on the week, these are estimated to take about 10-20 minutes to complete.

Outline of Assignments & Assessments

The types of assignments you can expect and their weight on your final grade are as follows:

- Written exams (50%): 6 in-class exams that cover, on average, 2 chapters each.
- Preparation and participation (25%): this grade includes daily preparation and participation (15%) as well as completing practice exercises on MyLab for each exam (6%) and making/responding to short videos on Canvas throughout the semester (4%).
- Semester-long cultural project (25%): this grade includes different written and oral steps/assessments centered around a Hispanic town or city of your choosing.

Materials

- Required materials: **access code to the Pearson MyLab platform** and *Mosaicos* 7th ed. ebook (no need to buy a separate textbook: access to it is granted through the platform); ISBN: 9780135595046
 - *Please do not buy the access code unless you are sure of your placement!* The site has a 14-day trial function you should use instead.
 - Any student may consult with [Student Financial Services](#) to find out what support they are eligible to receive to cover course costs.
 - Due to our electronics policy (barring some possible exceptions, the use of electronics is not allowed during class time), you will also need a **(paper) notebook**.
- Your instructor will advise you on any masking policies for the course.