

INSTRUCTIONAL PROSPECTUS FOR SPAN 1800 – FALL 2023

CONTEXTS OF HISPANIC CIVILIZATION: ALL SECTIONS

COURSE STRUCTURE:

- For the Fall 2023 semester all sections are to be taught in person. All classes are taught in Spanish.
- Occasionally, your instructor may design an assignment in place of an in-class meeting. These activities may consist of watching a film out of class and posting to a Canvas discussion board, small group projects, visits to on-campus collections and museums, or virtual visits to collections outside of Penn. These are designed at the discretion of the individual instructor and may vary across sections. You must be available for all regularly scheduled class meetings.
- The semester-long calendar of historical readings common to all sections and the due dates for assignments and exams will be detailed in the course syllabus, to be published at a later date. Ancillary cultural readings may vary by section.
- Detailed weekly plans will be published at least a week in advance on Canvas Announcements.
- Course prerequisites (one of the following):
 - Successful completion of SPAN 212/1200 or AP/IB credit for SPAN 212/1200
 - A grade of A or A- in SPAN 202/1000
 - AP/IB credit for SPAN 202/1000 plus one year of post-AP/IB Spanish in high school. Please consult the SPAN 1800 coordinator first: esposito@sas.upenn.edu
 - Explicit permission from Prof. Espòsito: esposito@sas.upenn.edu

ASSESSMENT AND GRADING POLICY:

- Your grade will be based on the following criteria:
 - 45% -- Three exams, dates to be published on the course syllabus. These may be a combination of in-class and take-home exams.
 - 25% -- Two essays consisting of a draft and a revision. There will be individual writing conferences between each draft and revision.
 - 15% -- two drafts
 - 10% -- two revisions
 - 10% -- Final essay due during the final examination period.
 - 20% -- Engagement, interaction, and collaboration. You will be evaluated on the quality and consistency of your contributions to course activities. Excessive absences (more than three class meetings) will affect this grade.

COURSE MATERIALS:

- All course materials and readings will be delivered through Canvas.