

Department: World Languages

Course Name: Spanish II

Course Description:

The Spanish II course builds upon the foundation laid in Spanish I in the four language skill areas and continues to emphasize cultural awareness. The class is conducted primarily in Spanish. Students learn vocabulary through topical units and extend their grammatical knowledge to include all verb tenses in the indicative mood. Written and spoken expressions begin to be of an extended, rather than single sentence, nature. Pre-requisite: A minimum final grade of 73% in Spanish I and/or departmental approval.

Content:

Grammar

Review verbs like gustar

Review reflexive verbs

Review common irregular present tense verbs

Preterite-regulars

Preterite stem-changing verbs

Preterite-irregulars

Verbs with meaning changes

Comparatives and superlatives

Double object pronouns

Imperfect indicative

Preterite vs. imperfect

Adverbs

Por vs. para

Constructions with **se**

Familiar commands (optional)

The future tense

Si clauses

Vocabulary

The city and community life

Geography and weather

Tourism

Health (body, medicine, nutrition)

Technology and society

The environment

Occupations

Toys and games

Education

Feelings and moods

Relationships

Culture

Popular music

Landmarks and iconic sites

Short readings (periodicals, etc.) with cultural topics

Geography expansion
The southern hemisphere
Biodiversity
Writers, artists, athletes, historical figures or significance
Countries of focus: Spain, Argentina, Chile, Costa Rica, Ecuador

Skills:

Write in paragraph form and short essays
Read authentic texts and watch authentic media
Apply vocabulary and grammar in increasingly fluent speech
Comprehend more easily authentic music and speech
Continue building knowledge and perspective of culture
Develop interpersonal and presentational speaking skills

Text and Materials:

Reporteros Level 2. Klett World Languages, 2023.

Methods of Instruction:

Conversational exchange: teacher-student or student-student
Direct explanation: lecture
Review, revision of homework assignments
Drills: written and oral
Video and audio activities
Cooperative learning: partner dialogues and exercises
Individual presentations

Methods of Evaluation:

Tests (written, oral and auditory task)
Quizzes (written and oral)
Projects
Homework
Two comprehensive semester exams