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General Syllabus

SPAN 3553 Immersion in a Spanish-Speaking Region

Credit Hours: 3

Lecture Hours: 3

Laboratory Hours: 0

Prerequisite(s): SPAN 1314 Beginning Spanish II or consent of department head.

Effective Catalog: 2019-2020

I. Course Information

A. Catalog Description

Cultural immersion providing intensive experience with the language, cultural traditions, and social institutions in a Spanish speaking region.

B. Additional Information

This course is encouraged for all students who have an interest in the Spanish language and is also required for both the BA and BS in Spanish, and recommended for Spanish minors

II. Student Learning Outcomes

A. Subject Matter

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Demonstrate enhanced knowledge of the history, geography, and global standing of a Spanish speaking region
2. Display limited oral proficiency in Spanish
3. Display limited listening and reading skills in Spanish
4. Exhibit an increase in self-confidence, maturity, and objectivity

B. University Learning Outcomes (ULOs)

This course enhances student abilities in the following areas:

Analytical Skills

Critical Thinking Skills

Students will identify problems/issues and develop solutions/analysis.

Students will analyze a variety of texts for their rhetorical and/or literary

features, as well as analyze the rhetorical situation to which the texts they produce respond.

Communication Skills (written and oral)

Students will communicate proficiently. Students will practice communication skills through discussions, presentations, and a variety of required written assignments.

Ethical Decision Making

Students will model ethical decision-making processes. Students will practice critical response to the writing of others, responsible use of research materials and intellectual property, and the ethical use of persuasion.

Global & Cultural Perspectives

Students will reflect upon cultural differences and their implications for interacting with people from cultures other than their own. Students will analyze the rhetorical situation, produce texts for a variety of audiences, and avoid the use of biased language.

III. Major Course Topics

Will depend upon area visited.