University of Arkansas – Fort Smith

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General Syllabus

SPAN 405V Special Topics

Credit Hours: 1-3 (variable)

Prerequisites: senior standing and consent of department head

Effective Catalog: 2019-2020

I. Course Information:

A. Catalog Description

Focused study of Spanish linguistics, literature, culture, or civilization. May be repeated for a total of six hours.

B. Additional Information:

For students that have taken all other senior-level Spanish courses.

II. Student Learning Outcomes

A. Subject Matter

Will vary by topic.

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 vary with topic