

All Superior level students are required to take Spanish Grammar and Practice of Communicative Skills. Then, students choose one mandatory 4th hour and one optional 5th hour.

15 CONTACT HOURS = 1 SEMESTER CREDIT

10 CONTACT HOURS = 1 QUARTER UNIT

5TH HOUR CHOICES:

Spanish Art History (50 contact hours)

Superior Level

Universidad de Salamanca Language & Culture Program

- 1) Spanish art approaching the twenty-first century.
 - a) How to appreciate a work of art.
 - b) How to appreciate a work of architecture.
 - c) The most common artistic terms.
 - d) The rhetoric of the most important styles in Spanish art.
 - e) The artistic form and style.
 - f) Keys to understanding Spanish art.

- 2) A plural country: the works of art and their context.
 - a) Mérida and Segovia: two legacies of Roman architecture.
 - b) The mark of Arabic architecture in the Alhambra in Granada and the Mosque in Córdoba.
 - c) The Roman route: a stop along the way: Santiago de Compostela.
 - d) Toledo and the spirituality of El Greco.
 - e) A visit to Baroque Salamanca.
 - f) La Sagrada Familia as compared to Gaudí's other works in Barcelona.

- 3) Artistic works as a reflection of reality.
 - a) Romanesque and Gothic sculpture: a way of understanding religion.
 - b) El Escorial as a reflection of Spain during Felipe II's reign.
 - c) Goya and Los Fusilamientos of May 3rd: the French invasion.
 - d) El Guernica by Picasso and the Spanish Civil War.

There will be field trips to monuments and museums. Class participation is required. There will be a mid-term and final exam.

Business Spanish (50 contact hours)

Superior Level

Universidad de Salamanca Language & Culture Program

1. The Work Environment:

- a) the labor market: ways of looking for employment
 - b) analysis of job opportunities compared to Europe and other countries
 - c) professional skills.
2. The Business World:
- a) functions and departments: different models of businesses
 - b) business, professional, and union associations.
3. Banking:
- a) the Spanish bank model
 - b) characteristics, relationships, and functions of private and public banks
 - c) the oligarchy of the big banks: banking groups.
4. The Stock Market:
- a) internal and external financing
 - b) the market economy: capital, income, and investments
 - c) market values: types and characteristics.
5. Commercial and industrial world:
- a) industry: location and main industrial sectors
 - b) national and multinational industry
 - c) problems of the Spanish industry.
6. Marketing:
- a) marketing
 - b) the big marketing companies.
7. Tourism:
- a) Spanish tourist sector
 - b) new technologies.

Practice of Oral Skills (50 contact hours)

Superior Level

Universidad de Salamanca Language & Culture Program

The objective of this class is to help students improve their oral proficiency skills (listening, speaking). Students will be required to put into practice the grammar that they are learning in their formal level-specific grammar class.