

All intermediate level students are required to take Spanish Grammar. Then, students choose one mandatory 3rd hour, one mandatory 4th hour and one optional 5th hour.

15 CONTACT HOURS = 1 SEMESTER CREDIT

10 CONTACT HOURS = 1 QUARTER UNIT

Spanish Grammar (100 contact hours)

Intermediate Level

Universidad de Salamanca Language & Culture Program

The Intermediate level grammar course is designed for students who have had at least 2 semesters of college level Spanish. The overall objective of this class will be substantial vocabulary expansion and communicative competency in describing, giving directions, getting information, narrating and describing in the past, reacting to events through the use of the subjunctive, comparing, narrating in the future, and hypothesizing.

The specific grammar points to be covered include:

1. Preterite versus imperfect
2. Future tense
3. Superlatives
4. Gustar and similar verbs
5. Sentences with porque and para
6. Si clauses
7. Formation and derivation of words.

The communicative aspect of the class will revolve around the discussion of topics such as the following:

- Describing the qualities and physical characteristics of something or someone.
- Expressing information, admiration, displeasure, likes, preferences, agreement, disagreement.
- Expressing advice, suggestions, attitudes, sentiments, surprise, satisfaction, happiness, loneliness, and doubt.
- Relating actions with time: actions in the past, present, and future.
- Talking about past events: experiences, successive events, and the duration of events.
- Talking about the future: formulate plans
- Making comparisons, select between different options and justify your decision.
- Discussing personal experiences.
- Combining narrative and description in a story.

-Discussing abstract ideas.

The student will be evaluated on daily oral and written exercises, classroom participation, a mid-term exam, and a final exam.