

Universidad de Salamanca Language & Culture Program

15 CONTACT HOURS = 1 SEMESTER CREDIT

10 CONTACT HOURS = 1 QUARTER UNIT

Spanish Culture (20 contact hours)

This course on Spanish Culture gives an organized and systematic view of contemporary Spain focusing principally on the history, art, and culture of the Spain today.

The following subjects will be covered:

- a) Contemporary history of Spain from the Second Republic until the present.
- b) Principle artistic and cultural movements within the above period.
- c) Institutions: a description of the present-day Spanish State.
- d) Economic and political life: a panorama of present-day Spain.
- e) Aspects of everyday life: schedules, food, customs, and past times of Spaniards.

Within these general guidelines, the professor in charge of this course will make his/her explanations applicable to the life experiences enjoyed by the students while they are in Spain. The didactic material with which the students work will be presented and elaborated by the professor using documents of everyday occurrence: newspaper articles, magazines, television news, etc. and keeping in mind the necessities and suggestions of the students. This is a practical course in which active participation and direct motivation of the students is essential.

****Grading:** consists of classroom participation, projects, and a final exam.