

Course Syllabus: Spanish 1234 Syllabus

World Languages and Cultures

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Course Description

Learning a second language is a process inextricably connected to the culture or cultures in which the language is spoken. Thus, this course focuses on developing students' Spanish-language proficiency through modes of communication that reflect real life communication in the varied cultures of the Spanish-speaking world. By employing interpersonal, interpretive and presentational communicative modes in the target language, students will explore the ideas, values, beliefs and other cultural aspects of Spanish-speaking peoples across the world and how these aspects work together to affect human experience.

Textbook & Instructional Materials

Textbook: Aventuras, 5th edition ISBN 978-1-68004-972-5: Full color, loose leaf, 3 hole punched (binder ready) version of Aventuras 5th edition with full VHLcentral.com supersite plus & websam technology. Please note the code with this package lasts for 36 months. Please contact your instructor or World Languages & Cultures at 397-4309 if you have any questions.
10 Long Scantrons

Student Handbook

Refer to: [Student Handbook 2017-18](#)

Academic Misconduct Policy & Procedures

Academic Dishonesty: Cheating, collusion, and plagiarism (the act of using source material of other persons, either published or unpublished, without following the accepted techniques of crediting, or the submission for credit of work not the individual's to whom credit is given) is prohibited. Additional guidelines on procedures in these matters may be found in the Office of Student Conduct.

Instructor Class Policies

You can only bring water to the classroom, in a bottle, with a lid on it. No other drinks neither food will be allowed. The use of cell phones, computers or any electronic devices are not allowed in the class, please put your cell phone away in order to avoid distractions. Failing to follow these instructions will have a direct effect in your participation grade. Five papelitos will be deducted every time your teacher gets distracted with your behavior. This class covers one semester of content within four weeks, prepare your homework and study daily if you want to be successful. If you need to contact the professor, please send her an email to Claudia.Montoya@mwsu.edu

Grading Components

Assignments	Percentage
Quizzes	15%
Exams	30%
Lab Quizzes	10 %
Participation	20 %
Final Exam	15%
Online Homework	10%
Total	100%

Table 2: Total percentage for final grade.

Grade	Points
A	90 to 100
B	80 to 89
C	70 to 79
D	60 to 69
F	Less than 60

Homework

Homework is an important component of this class. Online homework assignments will be made from the [VHL Central Supersite](#) daily. These assignments include written, audio and video activities. Each assignment is to be completed by 11:59 p.m. on the due date. Homework completed after the deadline will not be accepted. Failure to turn in the homework on time will result in a grade of zero for the given assignment. Also, you will have two writing assignments this semester that will count towards your homework grade. Additional details about the writing assignments will be provided by your instructor.

Participation

Participation in class is **mandatory**. Your participation grade will be based on the "papelito system". During the class you will do activities and exercises, individually or as a group. Each time that your professor asks you a question based on these activities you should answer in Spanish for which you will receive a papelito. In order to obtain an "A" in participation you must have a total of 100 papelitos. Notice that you will have to speak Spanish during the class, but don't worry about speaking perfect Spanish, just speak. Accuracy will come with practice.

Quizzes

Frequent quizzes based on homework and class work will be given. Graded homework and quizzes will contribute 10% to your final grade. No late work is accepted and no make-up quizzes are given. Your lowest homework grade and your lowest quiz grade will be dropped at the end of the course.

Exams

There are three major exams, each one is given every two chapters. There are no make-up exams, you have received the exam dates in advanced, please, plan ahead.

Language Laboratory

You will take a quiz base on videos you will have to watch at the Foreign Language Laboratory in Bea Wood 127. There are a total of six lab quizzes to complete, one for each chapter covered this semester. Please give your MSU Student ID to the lab attendant in order to receive your quiz. You will receive a quiz and a Scantron. You are not allowed to use books, notes, or any other materials when completing the quiz. Also, do not write on the quiz. Please sign out at the lab attendant's desk in order to retrieve your student id. Make-up and/or late quizzes are not permitted. Your lowest lab grade will be dropped at the end of the semester. Please note the due dates below. A schedule of lab hours will be posted on D2L as soon as it is available.

Final Exam

The Final Exam is comprehensive, and there is no make-up exam. The final Exam is on Tuesday, May 8 from 10:30am to 12:30pm. If you have a conflict with another exam at the same day and time, please talk to your other professor. This is the official date and time provided by the Registrar's office

Make Up Work/Tests

The pace of this class is very fast, there will be no makeup quizzes nor make up exams, you have received the examination dates in advanced, please, plan ahead.

Attendance

Attendance in this class is **mandatory**. This syllabus serves as a notice that you will be dropped from the class without further notification if you are absent more than three times. Please note that if you decide to drop the course, you must

follow university procedure for dropping a course in order to receive a "W." If the instructor drops you, you will receive a "WF" or "F." Absences due to official university functions or documented illness will be dealt with on an individual basis. There are no "excused absences" from regular class periods. Should you be absent from an exam, you must present documented proof of illness or university activity to your instructor before a makeup exam will be allowed. Students will not be allowed to make-up quizzes. Refer to: [Drops, Withdrawals & Void](#)

Refund and Repayment Policy

A student who withdraws or is administratively withdrawn from Midwestern State University (MSU) may be eligible to receive a refund for all or a portion of the tuition, fees and room/board charges that were paid to MSU for the semester. HOWEVER, if the student received financial aid (federal/state/institutional grants, loans and/or scholarships), all or a portion of the refund may be returned to the financial aid programs. As described below, two formulas (federal and state) exist in determining the amount of the refund.

Disability Support Services

In accordance with Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Midwestern State University endeavors to make reasonable accommodations to ensure equal opportunity for qualified persons with disabilities to participate in all educational, social, and recreational programs and activities. After notification of acceptance, students requiring accommodations should make application for such assistance through Disability Support Services, located in the Clark Student Center, Room 168, (940) 397-4140. Current documentation of a disability will be required in order to provide appropriate services, and each request will be individually reviewed. For more details, please go to [Student Life Disability](#).

College Policies

Campus Carry Rules/Policies

Refer to: [Campus Carry Rules and Policies](#)

Smoking/Tobacco Policy

College policy strictly prohibits the use of tobacco products in any building owned or operated by WATC. Adult students may smoke only in the outside designated-smoking areas at each location.

Alcohol and Drug Policy

To comply with the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act of 1989 and subsequent amendments, students and employees of Midwestern State are informed that strictly enforced policies are in place which prohibits the unlawful possession, use or distribution of any illicit drugs, including alcohol, on university property or as part of any university-sponsored activity. Students and employees

are also subject to all applicable legal sanctions under local, state and federal law for any offenses involving illicit drugs on University property or at University-sponsored activities.

Grade Appeal Process

Update as needed. Students who wish to appeal a grade should consult the Midwestern State University [Undergraduate Catalog](#)

Notice

Changes in the course syllabus, procedure, assignments, and schedule may be made at the discretion of the instructor.

Summer Lab Schedule:

Monday: 3pm – 8pm
 Wednesday: 3pm – 8pm
 Thursday: 1pm – 6pm
 Friday: 10am – 3pm

Course Schedule

Dates	Exams	Chapter	Topics
07/08		Chapter 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the course • Words related to personal hygiene and daily routines • Sequencing Expressions • Pronouncing r and rr • Cultura: <i>La siesta</i>
07/09		Chapter 7	<p><i>Labor Day Sep. 2 - No class</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflexive Verbs • Indefinite and Negative Words • Preterite of ser and ir •
07/10		Chapter 7 and 8 Lab 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gustar and other verbs like gustar • Lectura • Words related to restaurants and meals • Adjectives that describe food • The letters ll, ñ, c, and z
07/11		Chapter 8 Lab 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cultura: <i>Frutas y verduras de América</i> • Preterite of stem-changing verbs • Double Object Pronouns
07/15		Chapter 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saber and conocer • Comparatives and Superlatives • Lectura

Dates	Exams	Chapter	Topics
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of Chapters 7 and 8
07/16	Exam 1	Chapters 7 and 8 Lab 8	
07/17		Chapter 9 Lab 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Words related to celebrations and desserts Personal relationships and stages of life The letters h, j, and g Cultura: <i>Semana Santa: más que una celebración</i> Irregular preterites
07/18		Chapter 9 Lab 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Irregular preterites cont... Verbs that change meaning in the preterite ¿Qué? and ¿cuál?
07/22		Chapter 10 Lab 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Words related to sickness, symptoms, medicine, and the doctor's office Parts of the body Written accent marks and word stress Cultura: <i>Servicios de salud</i> The imperfect tense
07/23		Chapter 10 Lab 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The imperfect tense cont... Constructions with se Adverbs Lectura Review of Chapters 9 and 10
07/24	Exam 2	Chapters 9 and 10 Lab 10	
07/25		Chapter 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cars and Driving Home electronics and the Internet Written accents with homophones Cultura: <i>Los cibercafés</i>
07/29			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The preterite and the imperfect

Dates	Exams	Chapter	Topics
		Chapter 11 Lab 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Por and para
07/30		Chapter 11 and 12 Lab 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stressed possessive adjectives and pronouns • Lectura • Words related to the home • Household chores • Capital and lowercase letters
07/31		Chapter 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cultura: <i>El patio central</i> • Usted and ustedes commands • The present subjunctive
08/01		Chapter 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subjunctive with verbs of will and influence • Lectura
08/05	Exam 3	Chapters 11 and 12 Lab 12	
08/06		Chapters 7-12 Lab 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review for Final Exam
08/07	Final Exam	Chapters 7-12	
08/08			Conversation Practice (Optional)