



Spanish American Literature I Spanish 3533

World Languages and Cultures

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Prothro-Yeager College of Humanities and Social Sciences

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Course Description

This class presents a general overview of Latin American literature, from the period known as Realismo to the end of the Twentieth . The most important literary, cultural, and historical movements of this period will be studied. Through the readings, which will be discussed in class, the student will expand his/her vocabulary and improve his/her understanding of literary texts. The student will also be able to identify the most important Latin American writers and their works, in the genres of narrative, poetry, and essay; in addition to acquiring knowledge and understanding of the development of Latin American literature.

Textbook & Instructional Materials

Textbook: Ortega, Julio., Letras de Hispanoamérica, Edit. Vista, 2014.

One notebook

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Dishonesty: Cheating, collusion, and plagiarism (the act of using source material of other persons, either published or unpublished, without following the accepted techniques of crediting, or the submission for credit of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). Additional guidelines on procedures in these matters may be found in the Office of Student Conduct.

Instructor Class Policies

In this class, your oral participation is a requirement; please make sure you read at home the assigned material, so you are able to participate. The professor is aware there are different students in the class with different language levels. She is able to identify those differences. However, she is also able to identify the students who are really not making an effort in class, and present the language barrier as an excuse not to do their homework. Do your part, and if you have questions, ask. Get involved in the process of learning, and you will be fine. If you need to contact the professor, please send her an email to Claudia.Montoya@mwsu.edu

Grading Components

Assignments	Percentage
Participación	20%
Exámenes	40%
Párrafos	20%
Final Exam	20%
Total	100%

Table 2: Total percentage for final grade.

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

Participación

Participation: students must express their opinions and questions about the readings orally in class. For participation only comments that reflect a critical reading and reflection will be taken into account.

Exámenes

During the semester there will be 3 written exams about the works, the authors, and the literary period to which they belong. There will be a multiple choice section and an essay section.

Paragraphs

Every other day you will be asked to write a paragraph over the assigned readings, sometimes it will be an opinion about the reading, and sometimes it will be only a summary of it.

Final exam

The final exam will have two sections: one of multiple choice that will cover the authors and works studied, as well as the characteristics of the period in which the works were written; and another one, an essay in which different works will be compared.

Extra Credit

Part of the university student's life is to expand your intellectual horizons. Students will receive extra credit for attending some university functions, previously indicated by the teacher.

Make up work

In Spanish, the concept of 'make up work' does not exist. If you miss a quiz or paragraph you will receive an 'F'. If you fail to take an exam, you must present a medical proof or some other verifiable proof that you have missed the exam due to an important situation. It is up to the professor's discretion to give you a make up exam.

Attendance

You can only miss this class 3 times; after this, you will be dropped from the class without further notification. If the professor doesn't drop you by the deadline, you will still receive a grade of 'F' for the class at the end of the semester. To avoid this, keep in touch with your professor by email, if you have an emergency. It is up to the discretion of the professor to excuse any absence or not.

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.

Course Schedule
01/15 Capítulo III
01/17 Capítulo III
01/22 Capítulo III
01/24 Capítulo III
01/29 Capítulo IV
01/31 Capítulo IV

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02/05 Capítulo IV
02/07 Capítulo IV
02/12 Capítulo IV
02/14 Capítulo IV
02/19 Capítulo IV
02/21 Capítulo IV
02/26 Capítulo IV
02/28 Examen I
03/05 Capítulo V
03/07 Capítulo V
03/12 Capítulo V
03/14 Examen V
03/19 Spring Break
03/21 Spring Break
03/26 Capítulo V
03/28 Capítulo V
04/02 Capítulo V
04/04 Exam II
04/09 Capítulo VI
04/11 Capítulo VI
04/16 Capítulo VI
04/17 Easter Break
04/23 Capítulo VII
04/25 Capítulo VII
04/30 Capítulo VII
05/02 Exam III
Final Exam TBA