

COURSE DESCRIPTION

SPANISH

1. Bachelor Degree: Tourism / Hospitality and Relationship Management
Hotel and Relationship Management
2. Course: Spanish
3. Semester: 1
4. Credits: 10
5. Lecturer: Hanne Stavelie
6. Contact hours: Minimum 60 hours
7. Prerequisites: No previous knowledge of Spanish is required
8. Academic description:

This course gives an introduction to the Spanish language. The communicative aspect is central in the learning process, and the development of oral skills such as speaking, listening and understanding are in focus. Reading and writing proficiencies are also central in the development of the students' communicative competence.

The study of Spanish and Spanish speaking communities will to a certain extent be linked to other courses which naturally may include the knowledge and understanding of Spanish civilization, such as courses in culture and society, tourism and hospitality, business and marketing.
9. Course aims:

This course should enable the student to use the Spanish language actively in every day speech within the areas mentioned below, and to lead a conversation in Spanish in the present, past and future tenses. The student should be able to understand, speak, read and write Spanish at a basic level. It is also an aim to achieve interdisciplinary cooperation with other relevant courses.
10. Course content:
 1. **General themes**

Oral and written communication in every day speech are central elements, particularly within the following areas:

- Introduce oneself and exchange pleasantries
- Speak about family, professions, leisure, travel
- Describe people and places
- Ask for and give directions
- Express what you like/dislike, speak about interests
- Communicate in a shop
- The time and weekdays
- Speak about weather and climate
- Order in a restaurant
- Converse about present, past and future experiences
- Knowledge of some Spanish speaking cultures

2. Language and grammar

In addition to the basic vocabulary needed to communicate in the above mentioned situations, the course focuses on Spanish pronunciation and spelling, basic sentence structure and concord between articles, nouns and adjectives, and the correct conjugation of verbs.

The following verb tenses are obligatory:

- Present
- Gerund
- Future (IR a + infinitive)
- Perfect
- Preterite

Other central elements are the collocation and gradability of adjectives and adverbs, and the correct use of various conjunctions, prepositions and pronouns.

11. Teaching methods:

Language will be taught in relatively small groups. Oral and written skills are acquired through practical exercises, such as dialogue and role play, presentations, listening exercises, reading and writing, in addition to grammar explanations. The student is expected to take an active part in the learning process, and the course requires the student to work regularly and intensely outside the teaching hours, in order to learn the language structure and the necessary vocabulary for both oral and written communication.

12. Assessment:

Written mid-term exam – 40%

A written exam of 3 hours is given and marked before the end of the course.

Oral final exam – 60%

An oral exam of approximately 15 minutes.

Portfolio assessment in groups – pass/fail

The students get frequent feedback on exercises delivered in the portfolio, which at the end of the course is graded with a pass or fail.

13. Required readings:

Görrisen etc (2003): *Caminos 1*, text book and work book, Gyldendal (old edition) Chapters 1-11 (200 pages)

Price text book: 345 kr

Price work book: 245 kr

Stavelie (2006): *Kompendium: Spansk Kulturkunnskap* (90 pages)

Price: 70 kr.

14. Supplementary readings:

Drange and Friis (2004): *¡Claro que sí!*, Cappelen

Salkjelsvik og Pitloun (2004): *Gyldendals spanske*

lommegrammatikk

Caminos 1 – Cd's

Dictionary

E.g. *Gyldendals blå ordbok*

Dictionary permitted in written exams:

Larousse diccionario del español moderno/Larousse práctico del español moderno/Diccionario bolsillo