

Intermediate Spanish II

TCSU SPAN 140

A. Description

The focus of this course continues to be to teach culture and facilitate language acquisition through listening, speaking, reading and writing. Students will continue to interact with authentic language in context through literary and non-literary texts. Students will produce more cohesive written narratives and expository prose, as well as express themselves with greater creativity and spontaneity. Content is further expanded to include sociopolitical issues of the Spanish-speaking world. Developing accuracy focuses on greater control of culturally appropriate language that relies on narrations and descriptions in the present and past, as well as future or hypothetical events. Students will continue to demonstrate the ability to think critically by analyzing linguistic structures and reflecting on and making cross-cultural comparisons.

B. Recommended Preparation

None Specified

C. Prerequisites

Intermediate Spanish, 1st Semester

D. Minimum Unit Requirement

4 semester units

E. Course Topics

1. Advancing linguistic skills: vocabulary, grammar, culturally appropriate language
2. Culture in Spanish-speaking societies: cross-cultural perspectives
3. Politics in the Spanish-speaking world
4. Past, present, future, subjunctive tenses
5. Listening, speaking, and writing practice:
 - a. Written communication skills: literary analysis, expository writing, narrative forms
 - b. Oral communication skills: self-expression, in-class oral participation
 - c. Listening skills: understanding others