

**SPN 102 – INTRODUCTION TO SPANISH LANGUAGE
THROUGH LITERATURE AND CULTURE
OXFORD COLLEGE
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• **GENERAL INFORMATION**

This is a Spanish beginner's course that is the second part of the sequence (101-102). This is a college-level course. In order to succeed, you will need college level skills in reading, writing, listening, speaking and note taking. This course is worth four (4) credits. The assignments are appropriate to a 4 credit hour course. Plan on studying at least 2 hours per day.

Course materials:

1. Textbook: *VISTAS: introducción a la lengua española*. Blanco, Donley: 4th Ed. Vista Higher Learning.
2. Supersite Access Code (available at Oxford Bookstore or online)

"This class requires technology access: this is the only way to complete your online assignments and assessments, and access study tools, media, your scores and more".

"Before the 1st day of class, go to vhlcentral/help/student-startup to learn how to set up and navigate your new Supersite account."

Course objectives:

- Carry on a brief conversation (1-5 minutes) about any of the topics presented in Spanish 102.
- Understand brief conversations (1-5 minutes), with some repetition, about familiar topics from Spanish 102.
- Read brief texts (1-3 paragraphs) about familiar topics from Spanish 102
- Write brief compositions (1-3 paragraphs) about familiar topics from Spanish 102, with the help of a dictionary, respond to responses of other classmates

- Complete a portfolio that showcases your learning in Spanish in all the skill areas: speaking, reading, writing, cultural assessment

Final grade distribution:

Exams (4)	50% (all exams are roughly 4 pages & cover 2 lessons)
Class participation	20% (speaking in Spanish everyday in class)
Supersite	15% (online workbook, expect 15-20 exercises per lesson)
Final Project (1)	15% (oral presentation that showcases your skills in speaking, writing and cultural knowledge & investigation)

Grade scale:

A =93-100	B =83-86	C =73-76	D =63-66
A- =90-92.9	B- =80-82	C- =70-72	F =0-62
B+ =87-89	C+=77-79	D+ =67-69	

COURSE CONTRACT:

1. Attendance: Given the emphasis that must be placed on participation and interaction in foreign language courses, the attendance policy for Spanish 102 is the following: Students are required to attend all classes. You are allowed a **maximum of 4 unexcused absences**, which you should reserve for short illnesses and emergencies. Each unexcused absence beyond these limits will result in the lowering of one point from the final course grade.

Some excused absences are permitted. Your absence on religious holidays will be excused if you inform me in advance. Your absence may be excused if you suffer a serious medical emergency, provided that you obtain written confirmation from a doctor. Your absence may also be excused in other extraordinary circumstances, provided you obtain a letter from the Dean.

Remember that you are responsible for all material covered on days that you are absent. Obtain the class notes from a classmate. Regular classes will be held on the days preceding and following Spring break without exception.

2. You must arrive on time. This means at least 5 minutes before class is scheduled to begin. Our beautiful campus is small so you have plenty of time to be in class before the scheduled time. **Three late arrivals will constitute an absence.**

3. **You must participate actively every day.** Your participation grade is based on the following criteria:

- Speak only in Spanish.
- Raise your hand and wait your turn. Please do not speak when someone else is speaking.

- c. Be respectful of others and their opinions.
 - d. Please do not interrupt class interaction by entering or exiting during class time.
 - d. Bring your notebook, textbook, workbook and lab manual to class every day.
 - e. Be prepared with your completed homework.
 - f. **Texting in class is prohibited and will result in your immediate dismissal from the class for that day and incurs an absence.**
4. Please do not bring food to class. This includes gum, candy, cookies, sandwiches, soda, tea, coffee, etc.
5. NO MAKE-UPS are allowed on exams.
6. **ALL STUDENTS MUST ADHERE TO OXFORD COLLEGE (SEE STUDENT HANDBOOK) HONOR CODE IN AND OUTSIDE OF CLASS.**
7. This syllabus is subject to change.

Lastly – please consult with me the minute you have problems with the course material. In Spanish, problems tend to multiply if you wait too long to ask questions regarding grammar or usage. Office hours are posted and you can email for an appointment if you are in class during my office hours.

*****Student work submitted as part of this course may be reviewed by Oxford College and Emory College faculty and staff for the purposes of improving instruction and enhancing Emory education.*****

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(*) Note that changes to the syllabus may be made as necessary.

January 14th	Presentación del curso
January 15th	Capítulo 10
January 17th	Capítulo 10
January 20th	<i>MLK Holiday</i>
January 21st	<i>Película "Todo sobre mi madre" (España)</i>
January 22nd	Discusión de la película
January 24th	Capítulo 10
January 27th	Capítulo 10
January 28th	Capítulo 11
January 29th	Capítulo 11
January 31st	Capítulo 11
February 3rd	Repaso de los capítulos 10 y 11
February 4th	Examen de los capítulos 10 y 11
February 5th	Capítulo 12
February 7th	Capítulo 12
February 10th	Capítulo 12
February 11th	Capítulo 12
February 12th	<i>Película "El padre de la novia" (Argentina)</i>
February 14th	Actividades sobre la película
February 17th	Capítulo 13
February 18th	Capítulo 13
February 19th	Capítulo 13

February 21st	Capítulo 13
February 24th	Repaso de los capítulos 12 y 13
February 25th	Examen de los capítulos 12 y 13
February 26th	Capítulo 14
February 28th	Capítulo 14
March 3rd	Capítulo 14
March 4th	<i>Película "Fresa y chocolate" (Cuba)</i>
March 5th	Discusión de la película
March 7th	Capítulo 14
March 10th-14th	<i>Spring break</i>
March 17th	Capítulo 15
March 18th	Capítulo 15
March 19th	Capítulo 15
March 21st	Capítulo 15
March 24th	Repaso de los capítulos 14 y 15
March 25th	Examen de los capítulos 14 y 15
March 26th	Capítulo 16
March 28th	Capítulo 16
March 31st	Capítulo 16
April 1st	<i>Película "Amores perros" (México)</i>
April 2nd	Discusión de la película
April 4th	Capítulo 16
April 7th	Capítulo 17
April 8th	Capítulo 17
April 9th	Capítulo 17
April 11th	Capítulo 17

April 14th	Evaluación del profesor
April 15th	<i>Presentaciones orales del proyecto final</i>
April 16th	<i>Presentaciones orales del proyecto final</i>
April 18th	<i>Presentaciones orales del proyecto final</i>
April 21st	<i>Presentaciones orales del proyecto final</i>
April 22nd	<i>Presentaciones orales del proyecto final</i>
April 23rd	<i>Presentaciones orales del proyecto final</i>
April 25th	Repaso de los capítulos 16 y 17
April 28th	Examen de los capítulos 16 y 17 (y las presentaciones)