

SPAN 2311 — Intermediate Spanish I (Face-to-Face)

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Office Hours

- Monday/Wednesday: 8:30–9:00 AM; 10:45 AM–12:00 PM
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- Friday: 10:00–11:00 AM
- Additional times by appointment

Required Materials

- Arriba: Comunicación y Cultura, 2.0 (eBook accessed via LingroHub; purchase after free trial).
- LingroHub (online course platform; enrollment code provided by instructor).
- Spanish/English dictionary and Spanish verb book (recommended).

Important: LingroHub is the central platform for this course. All course content, assignments, and your eBook Arriba are accessed through LingroHub. Blackboard will be used only for grade averages and general reference content.

Course Description

SPAN 2311 (3:3:0) is the first intermediate-level Spanish course. It builds upon the foundation of SPAN 1412 by developing greater proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing. This course emphasizes increased vocabulary, grammar structures, and cultural knowledge. It covers Chapters 9–11/12 of Arriba.

Semester Hours: 3

Lecture Hours: 3

Lab Hours: 0

Prerequisite: SPAN 1412 or equivalent with a “C” or above.

Attendance Policy

- Attendance is mandatory for this face-to-face class.
- Students are allowed up to 4 absences. On the 4th absence, you will be automatically dropped from the course. This policy is firm.
- Arrive on time and stay for the entire class to be counted present.
- If you must miss class due to illness, emergency, or school activity, notify the instructor as soon as possible.
- Late work is not accepted; however, communication with the instructor may allow flexibility for pending (not overdue) assignments.

Assignments & Coursework

Assignments must be prepared before class and are due at the start of class (unless stated otherwise). Online assignments are due by 11:59 PM CST on assigned dates. These will generally be posted on Mondays, with 1–3 due dates scheduled during the week.

Types of Assignments

- LingroHub SAM activities: Multiple attempts allowed; highest grade counts.
- TXT activities: Textbook-based reading assignments.
- Extra Practice: End-of-chapter graded activities (not optional).
- Practice Tests: Assigned before exams; multiple attempts allowed.
- Grammar/Vocabulary Tutorials: Always available in LingroHub.
- Exams: Timed, one attempt, covering grammar, vocabulary, listening, reading, and writing.
- Other than exams, most assignments can be attempted up to 3 times, with your highest grade recorded. Auto-graded assignments provide immediate feedback. Recordings and short dialogues must be manually scored by the instructor. Until reviewed, LingroHub records a temporary grade of 0. Do not panic if you see a sudden drop in your gradebook after submitting these assignments—your score will be updated once grading is completed.

Note: Use of online translators for assignments is prohibited and considered academic dishonesty.

Time Commitment

Expect to spend 3–5 hours weekly outside of class for preparation, vocabulary review, and practice.

Grading & Evaluation

Category	Percentage
LingroHub Assignments (online)	50%
Daily/In-class Assignments	10%

Exams (Arriba & Reader)

40%

A grade of C or better is required to progress to SPAN 2312.

Students must maintain 80%+ completion of all LingroHub exercises. Failure to meet this after a written warning may result in being dropped.

Exams & Final Evaluation

- Chapter Exams: Conducted on LingroHub; no outside materials allowed.
- Oral Final Evaluation: Mandatory comprehensive oral exam (format and date TBD).

Academic Integrity

Cheating, plagiarism, and use of unauthorized tools (including AI or online translators) are prohibited. Violations follow SPC guidelines.

Communication & Course Management

- Check SPC Email Daily for updates and announcements.
- Monitor Grades: Blackboard will show your overall course grade (LingroHub shows only completed assignment averages).
- Be Proactive: Ask questions early, seek clarification, and prepare specific issues for office hours.

Tips for Success

- Create a dedicated study space: Organized, distraction-free, and used consistently for coursework.
- Stick to a routine: Treat this class like a traditional course. Block regular study time each week.
- Stay organized: Use a planner or digital calendar to track assignments, due dates, and exams. Break large tasks into smaller parts.
- Be an active participant: Engage fully in discussions, group activities, and practice opportunities.
- Seek help early: Use office hours, tutoring services, and peers for support. Don't wait until small issues become big obstacles.
- Use resources wisely: Dictionaries, grammar guides, and LingroHub tutorials should supplement—not replace—your work.
- Maintain balance: Prioritize rest, health, and self-care. A healthy lifestyle supports academic success.
- Adopt a growth mindset: View challenges as opportunities for learning and improvement.

This course requires discipline, consistency, and proactive effort. By following these practices, you will maximize your success in learning Spanish and building lasting skills.

Learning Outcomes (ACGM — SPAN 2311)

- Engage in conversations using a variety of verb tenses (present, past, and future) and grammatical structures appropriate at the intermediate level.
- Comprehend and interpret spoken Spanish on a variety of topics produced by speakers of diverse origins.
- Write organized paragraphs and short essays using level-appropriate grammatical structures.
- Read and analyze authentic texts written in Spanish for intermediate-level readers.
- Discuss and analyze traditions, customs, and values of the Hispanic world in greater depth.
- Compare and contrast cultural practices and perspectives between the Hispanic world and their own culture.

Course Objectives (ACTFL Standards)

- Communication: Conversations, comprehension, presentations.
- Cultures: Practices, products, perspectives.
- Connections: Reinforce knowledge from other disciplines.
- Comparisons: Language and cultural insights.
- Communities: Use Spanish within and beyond classroom; lifelong learning.

Important Dates — Fall 2025

- Mon, Sept 1: Labor Day (no classes)
- Fri, Oct 17: Fall Break (no classes)
- Nov 26–28 (Wed–Fri): Thanksgiving Break (no classes)
- Thu, Dec 4: Last Day to Drop
- Dec 8–11 (Mon–Thu): Finals Week
- Fri, Dec 12: Commencement

Institutional Statements

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