

Course Title (English)	Geography of Spain
Academic Institution	University of Granada (UGR)
City	Granada
Country	Spain
Course Title (Spanish)	Geografía de España
Course Number	CILYC 331
Sessions (Terms)	Summer I & II
Instructional Language	Spanish
Contact Hours	22.5
Credits (semester credits)	1.5
Credits (quarter units)	2.25
Prerequisites	INT II Spanish Level
Track	CILYC (Language & Culture): 22.5 contact hours

Course Description	This course gives an understanding of Spain through the study of geography. The student will learn about the geography of Spain through studying the natural environment of the country, population, economic activities, and the distinct regions of Spain.
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Course Content	• General introduction. Unity and diversity in the Iberian Peninsula; Spain in the European context. Spain and its relationship with America and North Africa. • Physical characteristics: the land, climate, water, and natural vegetation. • The Spanish regional divisions. Historical anecdotes. The constitution of 1978 and the definition of the “modelo autonómico”. The regional map of Spain. • Atlantic Spain. Galicia. Asturias, Cantabria. País Vasco. • The Valle del Ebro. Comunidad Foral de Navarra. La Rioja. Comunidad de Aragón. • Mediterranean Spain. Cataluña. Comunidad Valenciana. Región de Murcia. • La Meseta. Comunidad de Castilla-León. Comunidad de Castilla-La Mancha. • Extremadura. Comunidad de Madrid. • Comunidad Autónoma de Andalucía. Physical characteristics, the population, economic activities, unity and regional diversity.
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- Insular Spain. Islas Baleares. Comunidad de Canarias.
- Cities with special status: Ceuta and Melilla.
- At the professor's discretion, films on pertinent topics of discussion may be viewed in class.

Assessment

The final course grade is determined by:

- Active class participation: 50%
- Final exam: 50%

Bibliography

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