

Spanish 4
6017
1.0 credit

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1. **Course Description:** Spanish 4 is a two semester elective. This course builds upon the basics of the Spanish language and culture learned in previous Spanish classes. Students continue to enhance their proficiency of reading, writing, listening, and speaking while using their language skills to dive deeper into culture and history.
2. **Objectives:** The student will...
 - a. Develop cultural empathy and awareness from a Christian perspective.
 - b. Compare and contrast other cultures with his/her own.
 - c. Compare and contrast English with the Spanish language.
 - d. Apply knowledge of grammatical structures and vocabulary while developing listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills.
 - e. Participate in conversations over familiar topics.
 - f. Use the spoken language in the form of directions, commands, questions, and structured conversations and narrative descriptions.
 - g. Read narrative and cultural materials about familiar topics.
 - h. Instruct others using written and spoken language.
3. **Course content:** The textbook (*Revista*) contains thematic chapters in which you will learn to communicate about your own life and how to interact with Hispanic cultures. We will also expand on other topics outside the textbook.

Lección 1: ¿Realidad o fantasía?

Lección 2: Una cuestión de personalidad

Lección 3: La influencia de los medios

Lección 4: Las garras del poder

Lección 5: Misterios del amor

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4. **Methodology:** The following will be integrated into the class instruction:
 - a. Partner work
 - b. Small group work
 - c. Use of culturally authentic materials
 - d. Whole class discussions
 - e. Writing and listening activities
 - f. Presentations
 - g. Readings

- h. Short films and feature films
 - i. Music
 - j. Dance
5. **Requirements:** Students are responsible for the materials presented in class and the textbook. All work must be completed to receive a passing grade. Daily assignments will be given and should be expected. A test or alternative assessment will be given at the conclusion of each chapter or unit. A semester examination will be given at the end of both semesters. Daily participation is expected, as learning a written language also includes speaking the language with both your classmates and your teacher. All participation is expected to be conducted using only Spanish. If lack of participation becomes a problem, your teacher will let you know as soon as possible.
6. **Grading Guidelines:** Daily work will be discussed in class. All projects, quizzes, and tests are graded, returned, and discussed as soon as possible. Semester exams will be comprehensive.
- Homework: 20%
 - Quizzes: 25%
 - Tests/Projects: 35%
 - Semester Exam: 10%
 - Verbal Skills: 10%
- Homework will be due the following class day at the beginning of the class hour, unless otherwise stated. If work is late, the following procedure will be followed:
- 1. You must hand in the assignment as soon as possible.
 - 2. You will not receive full credit.
 - 3. You will lose points for every day the assignment is late.
- All work is expected to be completed entirely using the student's own abilities. Instances in which academic integrity is questioned, including but not limited to cheating, copying answers, using online translators, using Artificial Intelligence (AI) will result in a consultation with the teacher and a referral to the dean of students for further consequences.
7. **Technology Usage:** Technology will be used in the Spanish classroom. However, the majority of teaching will still make use of notebooks, textbooks, and traditional writing utensils. Students should only use their Chromebooks when directed to do so by their teacher. When they are not in use, Chromebooks should be fully closed on the desk or in backpacks.
8. **Materials:**
- a. *Revista* (Vista Higher Learning) textbook
 - b. 3 ring binder - you may **not** use your textbook as a folder
 - c. Notebook
 - d. Personal dictionary - strongly encouraged!