

University of the West of Scotland

Module Descriptor

Session: 2024-25

Title of Module: Spanish 1.1			
Code: SPAN07001	SCQF Level: 7 (Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework)	Credit Points: 20	ECTS: 10 (European Credit Transfer Scheme)
School:	School of Education and Social Sciences		
Module Co-ordinator:	F Leon Solis		
Summary of Module			
This module is aimed at total beginners of Spanish. No prior knowledge is required. Students will be introduced to many of the fundamentals of Spanish: for example articles, demonstratives, pronouns, possessives and the present tense. As this is an intensive module, there will be a systematic approach to explanations of sentence structures in communicative scenarios and to vocabulary development. Classes will be a mixture of lecture and seminar. In the lecture session of the class the main grammar points will be introduced. In the seminar section the grammar will be practised through grammatical exercises; syntactic and morphological analyses to make students aware of the workings of the language; presentations; role plays; pair-work exercises; and other interactive activities. The topical content of these activities will include greeting, asking and giving personal information, numbers, daily routines and leisure activities, telling time and dates, ordering food and drink in restaurants, asking for and giving directions, describing places, booking in a hotel. The students will also be introduced to basic cultural conventions of Spain and other Spanish-speaking countries as well as to some key geographical and socio-political features (i.e. linguistic and cultural varieties or regional structure). This module will be delivered over 12 weeks, 3 hours a week; or over 24 weeks, 2 hours a week.			

Module Delivery Method					
Face-To-Face	Blended	Fully Online	HybridC	Hybrid 0	Work-Based Learning
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See Guidance Note for details.					
Campus(es) for Module Delivery					

The module will normally be offered on the following campuses / or by Distance/Online Learning: (Provided viable student numbers permit) (tick as appropriate)						
Paisley:	Ayr:	Dumfries:	Lanarkshire:	London:	Distance/Online Learning:	Other:
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Term(s) for Module Delivery					
(Provided viable student numbers permit).					
Term 1	☒	Term 2	☒	Term 3	☒

Learning Outcomes: (maximum of 5 statements) These should take cognisance of the SCQF level descriptors and be at the appropriate level for the module. At the end of this module the student will be able to:	
L1	Communicate orally at a basic level in situations involving personal information and daily activities at approximately A1 level of CEFR
L2	Demonstrate competence in listening skills in Spanish at approximately A1 level of CEFR
L3	Extract a gist and some specified detail of texts relating to letters to friends, public notices, bar menus as well as short and uncomplicated pieces of written news at approximately A1 level of CEFR
L4	Write short texts in Spanish regarding personal information, daily routines and leisure activities, describing places, likes and dislikes, future plans, past experiences at approximately A1 level of CEFR

Employability Skills and Personal Development Planning (PDP) Skills	
SCQF Headings	During completion of this module, there will be an opportunity to achieve core skills in:
Knowledge and Understanding (K and U)	SCQF Level 7 Understanding grammatical and syntactic concepts and elements of the Spanish language Demonstrating some understanding of social conventions and basic appreciation of Spanish-speaking cultures
Practice: Applied Knowledge and Understanding	SCQF Level 7 Use of language skills relevant to everyday situations. Understanding of written and recorded texts based on everyday situations.
Generic Cognitive skills	SCQF Level 7 Giving personal information and information about the environment Addressing day to day problems in Spanish speaking countries Gathering information from a variety of sources

Communication, ICT and Numeracy Skills	SCQF Level 7 Communicating effectively in routine situations and in everyday problem situations Interpreting uncomplicated written and aural texts Use of the Library and other learning resources such as Aula or the Internet Use of IT to present documents in an appropriate form.	
Autonomy, Accountability and Working with others	SCQF Level 7 Working effectively individually or in teams Managing limited resources and being able to address own learning needs. Managing time in order to meet deadlines.	
Pre-requisites:	Before undertaking this module the student should have undertaken the following:	
	Module Code: N/A	Module Title: N/A
	Other:	
Co-requisites	Module Code:	Module Title:

Learning and Teaching	
This module is a practical language class which offers the opportunity to students to develop their formal knowledge of the Spanish language and of prescribed topics. Students engage in a variety of activities in class and in independent study to practice their language skills. The four skills are developed through class activities: listening to audio/video recordings; working in pairs or in small groups to work on speaking skills, engaging in a variety of reading exercises to develop skills in Spanish. Grammatical work is consolidated through related speaking tasks and homework exercises. The module is supported by the use of Virtual Learning environments, which are integral to the student learning experience, enhancing the use of external links for guided and independent study.	
Learning Activities During completion of this module, the learning activities undertaken to achieve the module learning outcomes are stated below:	Student Learning Hours (Normally totalling 200 hours): (Note: Learning hours include both contact hours and hours spent on other learning activities)
Lecture/Core Content Delivery	36
Asynchronous Class Activity	44
Independent Study	116

Personal Development Plan	4
	Hours Total 200
**Indicative Resources: (eg. Core text, journals, internet access)	
The following materials form essential underpinning for the module content and ultimately for the learning outcomes: All teaching materials will be made available by the lecturer. Extra material, homework and extra tasks and extra sources will be provided in class or via VLE. Click or tap here to enter text. Click or tap here to enter text. Please ensure the list is kept short and current. Essential resources should be included, broader resources should be kept for module handbooks / Aula VLE. Resources should be listed in Right Harvard referencing style or agreed professional body deviation and in alphabetical order.	
(**N.B. Although reading lists should include current publications, students are advised (particularly for material marked with an asterisk*) to wait until the start of session for confirmation of the most up-to-date material)	
Attendance and Engagement Requirements	
In line with the Student Attendance and Engagement Procedure: Students are academically engaged if they are regularly attending and participating in timetabled on-campus and online teaching sessions, asynchronous online learning activities, course-related learning resources, and complete assessments and submit these on time.	

Equality and Diversity
The University's Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Procedure can be accessed at the following link: UWS Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Code. Please ensure any specific requirements are detailed in this section. Module Co-ordinators should consider the accessibility of their module for groups with protected characteristics..
(N.B. Every effort will be made by the University to accommodate any equality and diversity issues brought to the attention of the School)

Supplemental Information

Divisional Programme Board	Education
Assessment Results (Pass/Fail)	Yes ☐ No ☒
School Assessment Board	Languages
Moderator	L Giraud
External Examiner	TBC
Accreditation Details	N/A
Changes/Version Number	1

Assessment: (also refer to Assessment Outcomes Grids below)
This section should make transparent what assessment categories form part of this module (stating what % contributes to the final mark). Maximum of 3 main assessment categories can be identified (which may comprise smaller elements of assessment). NB: The 30% aggregate regulation (Reg. 3.9) (40% for PG) for each main category must be taken into account. When using PSMD, if all assessments are recorded in the one box, only one assessment grid will show and the 30% (40% at PG) aggregate regulation will not stand. For the aggregate regulation to stand, each component of assessment must be captured in a separate box. Please provide brief information about the overall approach to assessment that is taken within the module. In order to be flexible with assessment delivery, be brief, but do state assessment type (e.g. written assignment rather than “essay” / presentation, etc) and keep the detail for the module handbook. Click or tap here to enter text.
CLASS TEST (65%)
COURSEWORK (35%)
(N.B. (i) Assessment Outcomes Grids for the module (one for each component) can be found below which clearly demonstrate how the learning outcomes of the module will be assessed. (ii) An indicative schedule listing approximate times within the academic calendar when assessment is likely to feature will be provided within the Student Module Handbook.)

Assessment Outcome Grids (See Guidance Note)

Assessment Type (Footnote B.)	Learning Outcome (1)	Learning Outcome (2)	Learning Outcome (3)	Learning Outcome (4)	Weighting (%) of Assessment Element	Timetabled Contact Hours
CLASS TEST	✓	✓	✓	✓		2

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COURSE WORK			✓	✓		0

Combined Total for All Components	100%	2 hours
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Change Control:

What	When	Who
Further guidance on aggregate regulation and application when completing template	16/01/2020	H McLean
Updated contact hours	14/09/21	H McLean
Updated Student Attendance and Engagement Procedure	19/10/2023	C Winter
Updated UWS Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Code	19/10/2023	C Winter
Guidance Note 23-24 provided	12/12/23	D Taylor
General housekeeping to text across sections.	12/12/23	D Taylor

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