Course Title

	Rationale (Why a student should take this course): Through this course, students acquire more complex vocabulary and grammar structures to be able to express themselves in a variety of situations in the target language.	Description of Average Weekly Outside Requirements	
Main Topics (What main ideas/concepts are covered): Intensive Spanish grammar Conversational topics: - The home and family - Health - Environment & tourism - Free time & sports - Hispanic art Spanish and Latin-American Culture		Reading (Text, document, etc.): Students will read passages in Spanish from the textbook, literature excerpts, and teacher generated materials. They are also responsible for online reading assignments from a variety of sources. Students will read and talk about songs and poems in class.	Written (Terms, questions, outlines, free response, etc.): Students will be responsible for writing short essays in Spanish. They will write daily in Spanish practicing grammatical structure and vocabulary. Students will also respond orally to questions and directions. Students will write a Project/Paper as a culminating activity each quarter.
Grade Composition (How grades are determined): 20% projects/ oral presentations 25% tests 20% quizzes 20% participation/classwork 15% homework Required Skills (Skills necessary to be successful in this course) A positive attitude and an open mind to other cultures.	Skill Development (Skills developed in this course and how): Students will understand and interpret information, concepts and ideas orally and in writing through listening, reading, writing and speaking Spanish. They will also recognize the importance of learning a second language. Their ability to express themselves in Spanish is greatly improved through the completion of this course.	Sample Textbook Excerpt: "Los Viernes Culturales son una serie de actividades culturales y eventos (exposiciones de arte, danza, música, poesía, teatro, cine y visitas al barrio histórico) que se llevan a cabo el último viernes de cada mes en la Calle Ocho de Miami, en el corazón de la Pequeña Habana. El objetivo de este festival popular es preservar la rica cultura hispana en la Florida"	