

# Course Title

		Description of Average Weekly Outside Requirements	
<b>Main Topics</b> <b>(What main ideas/concepts are covered):</b> Intensive Spanish grammar Conversational topics: - Food & chores - The body & medicine - The weather & the outdoors - Travel & world cultures - Transportation - Professions, work & finances Spanish and Latin-American Literature and Culture	<b>Rationale</b> <b>(Why a student should take this course):</b>  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. This class prepares the student for the Advanced Placement Spanish class.	<b>Reading</b> <b>(Text, document, etc.):</b>  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.	<b>Written</b> <b>(Terms, questions, outlines, free response, etc.):</b> 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.
<b>Grade Composition</b> <b>(How grades are determined):</b>  20% projects/ oral presentations 25% tests 20% quizzes 20% participation/classwork 15% homework	<b>Skill Development</b> <b>(Skills developed in this course and how):</b>  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.	<b>Sample Textbook Excerpt:</b>  “El pintor español Salvador Dalí, uno de los máximos representantes del Surrealismo, es uno de los pintores más reconocidos del mundo por su personal estilo. El Museo Dalí, en St. Petersburg, intenta recoger este estilo en su construcción. Una enorme burbuja de vidrio llamada «el enigma», alude a la cúpula del Museo Dalí en España. El edificio contiene una escalera helicoidal en homenaje a la fascinación de Dalí por el ADN y las espirales.”	
<b>Required Skills</b> <b>(Skills necessary to be successful in this course)</b>  A positive attitude and an open mind to other cultures.			