



International Relations Office

NAME OF THE COURSE:	Spanish Grammar for Foreigners, intermediate level
HOURS:	60 contact hours
CREDITS:	4
COURSE CODE:	PIIE 260

Course description

Theoretical-practical course oriented to the morphosyntactic aspects of Spanish grammar that are generally considered to be problematic for the students of Spanish as a second language from a descriptive-normative approach where the system of rules of Spanish is revised, analyzed and explained.

General objective

Improve the student's grammatical competence from a descriptive-normative approach.

Specific objectives

1. Review the morphosyntactic aspects of the system of rules of Spanish.
2. Analyze grammatical aspects related to the system of rules of the language and its rules of use based on the organizational knowledge of the language.
3. Apply the system of rules of the language and its rules of use.

Contents

1. Noun agreement. Agreement of an adjective with different nouns, exceptions to the rules of noun agreement, article agreement and determinatives.
2. Subject-predicate agreement: grammatical agreement.
3. Word order: combinatorial possibilities in the order of words.
4. Pronominal syntax: tonic and atonic pronouns, use of the form “se”
5. Value of tenses: paradigm of indicative, subjunctive and imperative tenses of Spanish, simple and compound tenses, perfective and imperfective tenses, perfectiveness and duration (aspect).
6. Use of personal forms of verbs: imperative mood, subjunctive mood, the subjunctive in simple sentences, conditional mood.
7. Opposition and use of “ser” and “estar”
8. Commonly used prepositions: “de”, “con”, “para”, “por”.
9. Simple, compound and complex sentences.

Activities

1. Theoretical and expository lessons
2. Individual and pair work
3. Grammar analysis
4. Text production
5. Grammar worksheets

Evaluation

1. Tests (2) 40%
2. Compositions (2) 20%
3. Final exam. 30%
4. The teacher will permanently assess the level of the student’s grammar competence development through classwork and homework – 10%

Attendance: 80%

General bibliography

1. Alarcos Llorach, E. (1970): *Gramática de la Lengua Española*. Madrid: Espasa-Calpe.
2. Bosque, Ignacio y Demonte, Violeta. (1999): *Gramática Descriptiva de la Lengua Española*. Madrid: Espasa-Calpe.
3. Porroche, M. (1998): *Ser, Estar y Verbos de Cambio*. Madrid: ArcoLibros
4. RAE (1973): *Esbozo de una Nueva Gramática de la Lengua Española*. Madrid: Espasa- Calpe.