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VALPARAÍSO

International Relations Office

NAME OF THE COURSE:	Conversation and Chilean Culture (advanced level)
HOURS:	45 contact hours
CREDITS:	3
COURSE CODE:	PIIE 3245

Course description

The course Conversation and Chilean Culture, advanced level, integrates language and culture through different types of texts: Chilean films, documentaries, press articles, short stories by Chilean authors, in order to strengthen the total immersion program in which the student is inserted.

General objective

Improve the student's intercultural communicative competence based on the four linguistic skills: oral and written comprehension and oral and written expression.

Specific objectives

1. Develop the skill of expressing thoughts and feelings through oral word.
2. Develop the skill of oral comprehension through authentic audiovisual material.
3. Develop the skill of understanding written texts of various difficulty levels.
4. Develop the skill of expressing thoughts and feelings through written word in narrative and argumentative texts.
5. Engage the student with the language and culture through fieldwork

Contents

1. Chile. Sociocultural aspects, conversation, commonplaces, stereotypes. Characteristics of Chilean idiosyncrasy and identity. Collective imaginaries. Idiomatic expressions and Chilean slang. Sociocultural approach.
2. Chilean movies: *El Chacotero Sentimental*, *Machuca*, *La Nana*, *Historias de Fútbol*, pre-selected scenes, subtitles in Spanish.
3. Documentaries: Chilean sociopolitical history (last 40 years)
4. Short stories by Chilean authors.

Activities

1. Theoretical and expository lessons
2. Individual oral presentations
3. Conversation and debate.
4. Pair work

Evaluation

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| 1. Participation | : 10% |
| 2. Attendance | : 10% |
| 3. Compositions | : 25% |
| 4. Oral presentations 1- 2 (15% each) | : 30% |
| 5. Final presentation + discussion | : 25% |

Attendance: 80%

General bibliography

1. Programa de las Naciones Unidas para el Desarrollo (PNUD). Desarrollo Humano en Chile 2002. Santiago, Chile, 2002.
2. Programa de la Naciones Unidas para el Desarrollo (PNUD) Desarrollo Humano en Chile 2010: Género: los desafíos de la igualdad