

NorthWest Arkansas Community College
Standard Course Outline
Foreign Language Department

SPAN 0013 Conversational Spanish I

Catalog Description: An introduction to the language of the contemporary Hispanic world. Emphasis is placed on the student's active use of the Spanish language and development of vocabulary, pronunciation and listening skills. No previous study of Spanish is expected of students.

Prerequisite: None

Credit hours/ Contact hours/ Load hours: 3hours

Target Audience & Transferability:

This course is designed for those students who have never had any previous Spanish language experience. The three hours credit is generally not transferable to most four-year colleges.

Common Objectives/ Student Outcomes:

- Correct pronunciation of Spanish sounds
- Exposure to Spanish culture
- Introduce students to basic conversational Spanish
- Introduce students to basic Spanish grammar
- Encourage students to start speaking right away

Required Text: *Getting Along In Spanish* 5th ed.; Jarvis & Lebrede; Houghton Mifflin, Boston, 1999

Optional Text(s): *Basic Spanish Grammar*, 6th ed.; Jarvis & Lebrede; Houghton Mifflin, Boston, 2000

Topics:

- Greetings
- Numbers
- Colors
- Weather
- Directions
- Thematic situations including travel, eating out, shopping, celebrations,

Required Methods of Instruction: Lecture, overhead projector, demonstration and drill, Web sites, reading and translating, role playing,

Required Forms of Assessment: oral tests (computer-based and interview), written tests, final examination

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Resources: Foreign Language Laboratory with its elementary Spanish programs and Internet links for studying introductory Spanish