

Centre for Modern Languages School of Humanities

Course Aims

This blended learning course, based on the flipped classroom model, aims to actively engage you in learning Spanish. It aims to develop further your reading, writing and conversational skills at an upper beginner's level with English and Spanish as the medium of instruction. Teaching is based on an action-oriented approach to language learning with the aim of developing your pragmatic, linguistic and sociocultural competencies to the A1 level according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). This course prepares you to sit for the official external examination DELE A1 (Diplomas of Spanish as a Foreign Language).

Through the use of authentic written and audio-visual materials, your knowledge of the cultures of the Spanish-speaking world will also be enhanced and expanded.

Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO)

Upon successful completion of this course, you will have the knowledge and skills to:

- 1. **Communicate** at a beginner's level that allows you to discuss a variety of topics confidently using the present and simple past tenses, as well as common expressions to explain current information (e.g. making plans, ordering food, making travelling arrangements, asking for and giving directions, etc.),
- 2. **Write** accurately and fluently on a range of topics related to your daily life, using structures in the present and simple past tenses,
- 3. **Read and interpret** accurately a variety of formal and informal texts on familiar topics that use basic grammatical structures and vocabulary, such as the present and simple past tenses,
- 4. Discern different Iberian and Latin American varieties of Spanish, and
- 5. **Describe** historical and current socio-cultural issues, with a focus on geographical and tourism information about various Hispanic destinations.

Course Content

This Spanish course continues to build on LS9001. In this course, new and more complex grammatical structures to talk about the present, past and near future (e.g. to express intentions or future plans) are introduced, along with a wide range of vocabulary regarding practical situations, such as:

- asking for or giving directions
- buying a train/plane ticket
- making plans for the weekend
- ordering food
- describing a cooking recipe
- talking about past actions

Assessment (includes both continuous and summative assessment)

Component	Course ILO Tested	Related Programme LO or Graduate Attributes	Weighting	Team / Individual	Assessment Rubrics
1. CA 1:	2, 3, 4, 5	PLO 1 and PLO 2	5%	Individual	N.A.
eWorksheets					
2. CA 2:	1, 4, 5	PLO 1 and PLO 2	10%	Individual	Appendix 1:
Oral Test 1					Oral
					expression
3. CA 3:	2, 3, 4, 5	PLO 2	25%	Individual	Appendix 2:
Test 1					Written
					expression
4. CA 4:	2, 3, 4, 5	PLO 2	30%	Individual	Appendix 2:
Test 2					Written
					expression
5. CA 5:	1, 4, 5	PLO 1, PLO 2 and PLO 3	20%	Individual	Appendix 1:
Oral Test 2					Oral
					expression
6. CA 6:	all	PLO 1, PLO 2 and PLO 3	10%	Individual	Appendix 3:
Participation					Participation
					in class and
					discussion
					board.
Total 100%					

All CML classes follow an Outcomes Based Teaching and Learning OBTL) curriculum, which are based on the following programme learning outcomes:

Develop interactive, interpretive, and presentational communication skills in the target language. – PLO 1 $\,$

Demonstrate understanding of the concepts of the target language and its respective culture. – PLO 2

Integrate target language proficiencies and intercultural competencies to effectively perform in today's globalised world. – PLO 3

Formative feedback

Formative assessment is integrated into the classroom practice to provide feedback on the learning progress to both, you as a student and to teachers. All assessment in the course will receive feedback in a prompt and informative manner with specific reference to the Intended Learning Outcomes during or after the learning activity.

Tools used for formative assessment and learning implemented in this course are:

- **Classroom tasks:** you will receive oral or written feedback for the tasks performed in groups or individually during each class session.
- Complementary exercises: you will complete exercises comprising vocabulary, grammar and comprehension exercises during the class. Oral feedback and corrections are provided in
- **Oral test 1 and 2:** you will receive individual oral feedback on the communication skills after the summative oral assessment.

- **Discussion board**: the discussion board is used to develop and guide your writing skills throughout the course. You will receive feedback on your accuracy level of coherence and cohesion using the language. It also facilitates learning by allowing you to view & comment the work of others and encourages autonomy.
- **eLessons:** these are online instructional lessons that include both dynamic explanations and self-assessment exercises. Interactive exercises will be used in class to provide you with instant formative feedback.
- **eWorksheets:** these self-learning online activities will provide you with more exposure to the target language outside the classroom in written and oral form and are a good complementation to the eLessons and written exercises in our textbook.

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Approach	How does this approach support you in achieving the learning outcomes?
Blended learning and the flipped classroom	This active learning, student-centred approach aims to increase your engagement in learning Spanish. Prior to class, you will be required to view online instructional videos (eLessons) in NTULearn that will introduce you to new grammatical content in a systematic way. In class, you will be able to clarify any doubt and expand your understanding and application of the new content by actively participating in meaningful collaborative learning. Grammatical concepts are further enforced through post-class exercises in the textbook and online eWorksheets that encourage self-learning.

Reading and References

Alonso Cuenca, M. and Prieto Prieto, R. (2011) Embarque 1. Libro del alumno (Edelsa) Alonso Raya, R et al. (2005) Gramática básica del estudiante de español (Difusión)

Course Policies and Student Responsibilities

(1) General

You are expected to complete all assigned pre-class and post-class activities, attend all tutorial classes punctually and take all scheduled assignments and tests by due dates. You are expected to take responsibility to follow up with course notes, assignments and course related announcements for tutorial sessions you have missed. You are expected to participate in all tutorial discussions and activities.

(2) Absenteeism

If you miss a tutorial session, you must inform your instructor via email prior to the start of the class. Absence from class without a valid reason will affect your overall course grade. Valid reasons include falling sick supported by a medical certificate and participation in NTU's approved activities supported by an excuse letter from the relevant bodies. There will be no make-up opportunities for in-class activities.

Please note that you will be awarded a zero grade if you do not attend any of your assessments. In order to be eligible for a re-test you have to inform your tutor and the Spanish Language Coordinator before the test date/time. Moreover, you need to email a digital copy of your supporting documents on the same day to the same people. Remember that these documents also have to be submitted to your school for evaluation. If they warrant an excused absence, you will be granted an alternative test date. If a re-test is granted and scheduled, you have to attend the re-test on the day and time provided; otherwise you will be awarded a zero grade.

(3) Online Discussion Board

You are required to submit online compulsory assignments on due dates. You should follow the guidelines provided for each of the written practices. Your participation should be personal and in no way you should submit the work of another person as this will be considered a form of academic dishonesty and will be treated as such. Remember that participating in the discussion board will help you improve your written skills in Spanish and will prepare for the written tests. This is a part of your class participation mark.

Academic Integrity

Good academic work depends on honesty and ethical behaviour. The quality of your work as a student relies on adhering to the principles of academic integrity and to the NTU Honour Code, a set of values shared by the whole university community. Truth, Trust and Justice are at the core of NTU's shared values.

As a student, it is important that you recognize your responsibilities in understanding and applying the principles of academic integrity in all the work you do at NTU. Not knowing what is involved in maintaining academic integrity does not excuse academic dishonesty. You need to actively equip yourself with strategies to avoid all forms of academic dishonesty, including plagiarism, academic fraud, collusion and cheating. If you are uncertain of the definitions of any of these terms, you should go to the academic integrity website for more information. Consult your instructor(s) if you need any clarification about the requirements of academic integrity in the course.

Planned Weekly Schedule

Week	Торіс		Readings/ Activities
1	- Introduction to the course (info in NTULearn)	All	Pair/ group
	- "Revisión gramatical: Presentación personal" (notes, p.9)		work
	- "Revisión: Hola, ¿Qué tal? / SER Vs ESTAR" (notes, p.10) - "Revisión: La descripción física y de carácter" (notes, p.11) HOMEWORK: Clasificación de verbos (notes, p.12) - "Acciones habituales y la hora" (notes, p. 13) - "Revisión: La rutina diaria y la hora" (notes, p.14) - "Revisión: Verbos Regulares, Irregulares y Reflexivos" (notes, p.15) HOMEWORK: p. 72 + Module revision (p. 74-75)		Reading & writing activities Interactive dialogue between students/tutor
2	MODULO 5. Lección 9: Por tierra, mar y aire	All	Pair/ group work
	- Modes of transportation (p. 80)		WOIK
	 - Verb IR: where do you go on holidays? (p. 81) - "Ir de vacaciones" (notes, p.19) eLesson: En la estación de tren 		Reading & writing activities
	- Talking about timetables and prices (p. 82-83)		Interactive dialogue

	- Verbs SALIR, LLEGAR, VOLVER, COSTAR		between
	HOMEWORK: p. 84 (ex. 1-5)		students/tutor
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	1) Written practice: "Mi próximo viaje"	A II	12-12
3	MODULO 5. Lección 10: Visitas una ciudad	All	Listening
	- Public places and its location in the city (p. 86)		comprehension
	- "Contraste HAY/ESTÁ(N)" (notes, p.20)		activities with
	- Describing our neighbourhood (p. 87)		audio-visual
	- "Visitas una ciudad: Salamanca" (notes, p.21)		material
	HOMEWORK: p. 90 (ex. 1-3) + "Madrid" (notes, p.22)		
	eLesson: Dar y pedir direcciones		Reading &
	- Asking for and giving directions (p. 88-89)		writing activities
	- "Pedir y dar direcciones" (notes, p.23)		
	- Grammar exercises p. 90 (ex. 4-6, in class)		Pair/ group
	HOMEWORK: Module revision (p. 92-93)		work
	eWorksheet: Medios de transporte y direcciones		
4	MODULO 6. Lección 11: Las comidas	All	Listening
•	- The meals of the day (p. 98-99)	, 111	comprehension
	- Verbs MERENDAR, ALMORZAR, SERVIR		activities with
	- "Mis lugares favoritos para desayunar" (notes, p.29)		audio-visual
	HOMEWORK: p.102 (ex. 1-4)		material
	eWorksheet: La comida		material
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	- Food, drinks and condiments (p. 100-101) + (notes, p.30)		Reading &
	- Personal/impersonal obligation: TENER / HAY QUE +		writing activities
	infinitivo (p. 102, ex. 5)		
	2) Written expression: "Un plato típico de mi país"		Pair/ group
	eLesson: En el restaurante		work
5	MODULO 6. Lección 12: El Restaurante	All	Listening
	- Eating out (p. 104) + España y su dieta, las tapas, las		comprehension
	raciones (p. 112-113)		activities with
	- Ordering at a restaurant (p. 105)		audio-visual
	- Verbs QUERER, PREFERIR + "¿Qué desean para comer?"		material
	(notes, p.32)		
	HOMEWORK: p. 108, (ex. 1,2, 3 & 5) + "Adjetivos y verbos de		Reading &
	cantidad" (notes, p.33)		writing activities
	eWorksheet: Actividades de revisión		
	- Oral interaction: p. 103 + "¿Tienes una dieta sana?" (notes,		Pair/ group
	p.31)		work
	- Inviting people: accepting/rejecting (p. 106-107) + p. 108		
	(ex. 4)		
	- "¿Qué te pasa?" (notes, p.34)		
	HOMEWORK: Module revision (p. 110-111)		
6	CA 2: Oral Test 1 (role-play in pairs)	All	Oral and written
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7	Feedback Test 1 + Q&A	All	Listening
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	MODULO 7. Lección 13: Actividades en cartelera		comprehension
	- Free-time activities (p. 116-117) + "Actividades de tiempo		activities with
	libre" (notes, p.43)		audio-visual
	- Making plans: IR a + infinitivo (p. 120, ex. 1) + "Vivir mi vida"		material
	(notes, p.44)		
	- Verb PODER (O→UE)		Í

	HOMEWORK: "Verbos de movimiento con preposición"		Reading &
	(notes, p.45)		writing activities
	eLesson: Haciendo planes		
	- City activities (p. 118)		Pair/ group
	- Expressing purpose: ¿Para qué? Para + infinitivo		work
	- To make arrangements to go out (p. 119)		
	- Verbs VENIR and QUEDAR + "Invitaciones" (notes, p.46) +		
	Oral interaction: (p. 121)		
	HOMEWORK: p. 120 (ex. 2-5)		
	eWorksheet: Planes y tiempo libre		
8	MODULO 7. Lección 14: De visita	All	Listening
	- Visiting museums (p. 122-123)		comprehension
	- Describing and giving one's opinion: es/parece + adjetivo;		activities with
	está bien/mal/regular		audio-visual
	- "Lugares famosos de España. El museo Guggenheim"		material
	(notes, p.47)		
	- Comparing places (p. 124) + p. 126 (ex. 2)		Reading &
	- Giving reasons to visit Granada (p. 125) + p. 126, (ex. 3-4)		writing activities
			writing activities
	- Expressing cause: ¿Por qué? Porque		5
	HOMEWORK: p. 126 (ex.3-4) + Module Revision (p. 128-129)		Pair/ group
	eWorksheet: Lugares similares, lugares diferentes		work
9	- "Lugares famosos de España. Una ciudad turística" (notes,	All	Listening
	p.47)		comprehension
	- "Los atractivos turísticos de España" (notes, p.48)		activities with
	- "Buenos Aires" (notes, p.50)		audio-visual
	3) Create a leaflet: "Mi destino favorito" (see notes, p.49)		material
	eLesson: El pretérito indefinido		
	MODULO 8. Lección 15: La Ropa		Reading &
	- The seasons of the year		writing activities
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	- Talking about past holidays: pretérito indefinido- regular		5
	forms (p. 136-137)		Pair/ group
	- "El Pretérito Indefinido" (notes, p.57)		work
	- Demonstrative adjectives (p. 137, ex. 8) + (p. 138, ex. 5-6)		
	HOMEWORK: Práctica (p. 138, ex. 2-4)		
	eWorksheet: El pasado		
10	- Talking about clothes (p. 134-135)	All	Listening
	- Verb LLEVAR (p. 138, ex. 1)		comprehension
	- "¿Qué ropa te gusta llevar?" (notes, p.58)		activities with
	Describing colours, styles and preferences when wearing		audio-visual
	clothes (p. 139)		
			material
	eLesson: La ropa y yo		Reading &
	MODULO 8. Lección 16: Rayos y truenos		writing activities
	- The weather (p. 140-141) + "El tiempo" (notes, p.59) + p.		
	144 (ex. 1)		Pair/ group
	- Revision of adverbs of quantity (p. 141) + p. 144 (ex. 2-3)		work
	- "¿Qué meto en la maleta?" (notes, p.60)		
	HOMEWORK: Refuerza (p. 146-147)		
11	Revision Test 2	All	Revision
	CA 4: Test 2 (listening + written)	,	activities
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			Written	
			assessment	
12	CA 5: Oral Test 2 (conversation in pairs)	All	Oral	
			conversation in	
	Feedback Test 2 + Q&A		pairs with	
			lecturer	

Appendix 1: Assessment Rubric for Oral Expression in CA 2 Oral Test 1 & CA 5 Oral Test 2

	Productive Skills	Receptive and Interaction Skills
9-10	Answers are correct and communication is	Comprehension is good and interaction is
	very effective.	kept all the time.
	Pronunciation and intonation always	Student answers and demonstrates
	facilitate the message comprehension.	comprehension.
	Varied and always effective vocabulary	Student provides appropriate and
	used.	detailed information.
	Basic and more complex grammatical	Student keeps the conversation and
	structures are used correctly.	provides some personal information .
7-8	Answers are correct and communication is	Comprehension is good and interaction is
	effective.	kept most of the time.
	Pronunciation and intonation facilitate the	Student answers and demonstrates
	message comprehension.	comprehension most of the time .
	Varied and effective vocabulary used.	Student provides appropriate information.
	Basic and some more complex grammatical	Student keeps the conversation.
	structures are used correctly.	
5-6	Answers and communication are generally	Comprehension and interaction are
	effective.	generally kept.
	Pronunciation and intonation generally	Student answers and generally
	facilitate the message comprehension.	demonstrates comprehension.
	Varied vocabulary used.	Generally, student provides appropriate
	Basic and a limited variety of more	information.
	complex grammatical structures are used	Generally student keeps the conversation.
	correctly.	
3-4	Answers and communication are partially	Comprehension and interaction are
	effective.	partially kept.
	Pronunciation and intonation occasionally	Student answers and only demonstrate
	limit the message comprehension.	comprehension occasionally.
	Occasionally varied vocabulary used.	Occasionally student provides appropriate
	Most of the basic grammatical structures	information.
	are used correctly.	Student partially keeps the conversation:
		some questions need to be repeated or
4.2	Assume and assume significant have a limited	reformulated.
1-2	Answers and communication have a limited	Comprehension and interaction are limited.
	effectiveness.	
	Pronunciation and intonation limit the	Student provides limited answers and
	message comprehension.	rarely demonstrates comprehension.
	Limited vocabulary used.	Student provides little appropriate information.
	Some basic grammatical structures are used correctly but these are isolated and of	
	limited variety.	Student's participation in the conversation
	inniced variety.	is limited : most of the questions need to
0	Communication does not reach any of the	be repeated or reformulated.
0	Communication does not reach any of the	Comprehension and interaction do not
	specified levels by the above descriptors.	reach any of the specified levels by the
		above descriptors.

Appendix 2: Assessment Rubric for Written Expression in CA 3 Test 1 & CA 4 Test 2

Language			Content and Structure		
5	Simple structures used without errors. More complex structures without or almost without errors. Orthography and correct agreement. 1 or 2 isolated errors.	5	All the requested information is included in a very elaborated manner. Frequent and correct use of connectors.		
4	Simple structures used with very few errors. Complex structures with errors throughout the composition. Orthography and agreement with very few errors.	4	Most of the requested information is included in an elaborated manner. Good and correct use of connectors.		
3	Simple structures used with few errors. Complex structures with some errors throughout the composition. Orthography and agreement with some errors.	3	Much of the requested information is included in a partially elaborated manner. Moderate but correct use of connectors.		
2	Simple structures used with quite many errors. Complex structures with quite many errors throughout the composition. Orthography and agreement with quite many errors.	2	Part of the requested information is included in an occasionally elaborated manner. Use of some connectors but not necessarily correctly.		
1	Simple structures used with many errors. Complex structures with many errors throughout the composition. Orthography and agreement with many errors.	1	Very little of the requested information is included and in a not elaborated manner. Connectors are missing.		
0	It does not fulfil any of the requisites.	0	It does not fulfil any of the requisites.		

Appendix 3: Assessment Rubric for CA 6 Participation

The marks (10) are calculated based on two components:

- 1. Written practice in the Discussion Board
- 2. Classroom participation

1. Written practice in Discussion Board (6 points):

Students need to submit all.

- Full marks if all written practices were attempted and submitted on time.
- 2-point deduction for each written practice not submitted (3 written practices in total).

2. Classroom participation (4 points)

Students ought to participate actively in all classroom activities.

Active participation:

- 4 points for extremely active participation (group discussion, activities, asking and answering questions). Always comes prepared to class.
- 3 points for regular participation, active in group discussion and activities, yet offers answers mostly after being called upon. Usually comes prepared to class.
- 1 2 points for adequate participation, moderately active in group discussions, yet only offers answers on being called upon. Sometimes unprepared and might not have completed the assigned homework.
- 0 points for students who show no active participation, who do not participate in group discussions, are not prepared, and generally do not complete the assigned homework.