HISPANIC (HSP)

HSP 203. Environmental Spanish. 3 Credits.
This course is taught in English and introduces students to vocabulary related to nature, the environment, protecting the planet, and also to the lexicon necessary to discuss topics in environmental science and policy. Students acquire important historical and cultural environmental perspectives from various Hispanic countries to understand more precisely present-day perceptions and efforts related to conservation and sustainability. Environmental issues and concerns in Spanish-speaking nations are explored. No previous science or environmental studies background is required.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed
UC: Breadth Elective

HSP 205. Puerto Rican Culture. 3 Credits.
This course is taught in English and introduces students to the rich and dynamic culture of Puerto Rico. Students develop a deeper understanding of artistic, economic, educational, health, historical, literary, political, religious, musical, folkloric, sports, social trends, and more. Students also gain deeper insights and perspectives about Puerto Rico’s unique ethnic and linguistic diversity. The course combines readings, films, and discussions.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed
UC: Humanities, Intercultural Understand

HSP 210. The Culture and Civilization of Spain. 3 Credits.
This course is taught in English and introduces students to the rich and dynamic culture of Spain. Students develop a deeper understanding of artistic, economic, historical, literary, philosophical, political, religious and social trends. Students also gain deeper insights and perspectives with regard to Spain’s unique ethnic and linguistic diversity.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed, Fall
UC: Humanities, Intercultural Understand

HSP 221. Masterpieces of Spanish Literature. 3 Credits.
Major literary productions of Spain are studied, including works by or selections from Lázaro de Tormes, Garcilaso, Cervantes, Galdós and Lorca. This course is taught in English.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed, Spring

HSP 225. Cuban Culture. 3 Credits.
Cuban culture is diverse, complex, and truly fascinating. With many different influences throughout its history - Amerindian, European, and African - a particular national identity has emerged. Students learn about economics, politics, science, medicine, health care, technology, religion, music, and the history of the revolution since its inception. Students also gain insights about how the island has changed since the revolution of 1959 and what makes Cuba a country different from the rest of Latin America and the world. The course combines readings, films, and discussions. This course is taught in English.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed

HSP 226. Exploring Global Engagement Through Language. 3 Credits.
Students enrolled in this course will “cross” multiple borders through intentionally designed virtual engagement with language learners in Nicaragua. The course will begin with an exploration of the meaning of culture, as students collaboratively investigate their selves as cultured beings and consider the cultural communities to which they belong. The course will then introduce multiple frameworks, theories, historical contexts, best practices, and ethical considerations around the theme of global engagement and students will grapple with these concepts alongside their Nicaraguan counterparts. Through readings, case studies, discussions, individual and group activities - in both English and Spanish - students will gain a deeper understanding of the diverse perspectives on global engagement while simultaneously participating in a global engagement experience which uses language to build community and maintain strong global partnerships.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed

HSP 230. Spanish Film Club. 1 Credit.
This course is designed to engage students in lively conversations centered on films from Spanish-speaking countries. Students can choose to watch the films either in English (subtitles) or Spanish. Conversations about the films will be in English.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed

HSP 231. Folklore of the Americas. 1 Credit.
This course focuses on the beliefs, customs, stories, and music of the Americas. The course is taught in English.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed

HSP 232. Food and Culture in the Hispanic World. 1 Credit.
Students explore various Hispanic cultures through representative dishes. The course is taught in English.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed

HSP 233. Environmental Issues in Hispanic Countries. 1 Credit.
This course explores historical and cultural environmental perspectives from various Hispanic countries to understand present-day perceptions and efforts related to conservation and sustainability. The course is taught in English.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed

HSP 235. Art in Spain and Latin America. 1 Credit.
This course explores thought-provoking artwork from Hispanic countries. The course is taught in English.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed

HSP 351. The Modern Spanish Short Story. 3 Credits.
The short story as a genre as well as 19th- and 20th-century Spanish and Latin American masterpieces of the short story are explored. Students engage in close literary analysis and also consider cultural and historical contexts. This course is taught in English.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed
HSP 370. History of the Romance Languages.  3 Credits.
Students study the historical linguistic development of Spanish in comparison with the other Romance languages: Catalan, French, Italian, Portuguese, Rhetian, Sardinian and Romanian. Students also compare the modern dialects of Spanish. This course is taught in English.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed

HSP 371. Classics of Spanish-American Literature.  3 Credits.
This course is taught in English and explores Spanish-American literature from the time of the Conquest to the present.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed, Spring

HSP 373. Latin American Cultures I.  3 Credits.
Selected topics of Latin American cultures from their Spanish and pre-Columbian roots to the end of Independence are studied. Readings are drawn from history as well as literature. The course is taught in English.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed, Fall
UC: Humanities, Intercultural Understand

HSP 374. Latin American Cultures II.  3 Credits.
Selected topics of Latin American cultures from the end of Independence to the present are studied. Readings are drawn from history as well as literature. The course is taught in English.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed, Spring
UC: Humanities, Intercultural Understand

HSP 376. Spanish Caribbean.  3 Credits.
This course studies people, history and society as well as artistic and literary expression of Puerto Rico, Cuba and the Dominican Republic. Also, features of the Spanish language as spoken in the Caribbean are considered. This course is taught in English.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed

HSP 401. Advanced Spanish Grammar.  3 Credits.
This culminating course, designed to increase and perfect the knowledge of students who possess a strong command of Spanish grammar, includes instruction in verb tense usage, sentence syntax, lexical choices and idiomatic usage. Exercises to solidify knowledge are used extensively. The course is taught in English or Spanish or a blend of both, depending on the students enrolled in any given class.
Prerequisites: None
Offered: As needed