

Spanish: Language Practice D (A703090)

Course size *(nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)*

Credits 5.0 **Study time 150 h**

Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2023-2024

A (semester 2) Dutch, Spanish Gent seminar independent work

Lecturers in academic year 2023-2024

De Grootte, Carine LW22 lecturer-in-charge
Goethals, Patrick LW22 co-lecturer

Offered in the following programmes in 2023-2024

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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, English, Spanish)	5	A
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Bachelor of Arts in Applied Language Studies: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, German, Spanish)	5	A
Exchange Programme Applied Language Studies	5	A
Preparatory Course Master of Arts in Interpreting: a combination of at least two languages, Master of Arts in Translation: a combination of at least two languages and Master of Arts in Multilingual Communication: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, English, Spanish)	5	A
Preparatory Course Master of Arts in Interpreting: a combination of at least two languages, Master of Arts in Translation: a combination of at least two languages and Master of Arts in Multilingual Communication: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, French, Spanish)	5	A
Preparatory Course Master of Arts in Interpreting: a combination of at least two languages, Master of Arts in Translation: a combination of at least two languages and Master of Arts in Multilingual Communication: a combination of at least two languages(main subject Dutch, German, Spanish)	5	A

Teaching languages

Spanish, Dutch

Keywords

Writing Skills, Reading Skills, Vocabulary, Academic Writing

Position of the course

Spanish Language Practice D (S2PD) is based on competences acquired in "Spanish: Grammar C" (S2SC) and continues to refine the writing and reading skills on topics that are neither too specialised nor technical. Furthermore, attention will be paid to the (passive and active) extension of vocabulary and academic writing.

Contents

The course unit Spanish Language Practice D (S2PD) focuses on general topics such as the correct use of connectors, the adequate use of electronic and other heuristic tools (dictionaries, grammars, websites),...; and more specific topics with exercises on information density, reporting figures/results,... The basic vocabulary acquired during the first bachelor year will be extended in a systematic way. Furthermore, this sub-unit will prepare students to academic writing.

Initial competences

The final objectives of the different Spanish units of study of the first bachelor year.

Final competences

- 1 Having a command of Spanish at B2 level of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages for reading and writing skills, and vocabulary [B.1.2; assessed]
- 2 Having knowledge and understanding of the use of connectors to achieve relational coherence when writing a text and of the use of different techniques to increase information density in a text [B.1.6; assessed]
- 3 Adequately interpreting, analysing, assessing and correcting written communication [B.6.1; assessed]
- 4 Editing text independently in Spanish and assessing it critically [B.6.2/B.3.3; assessed]
- 5 Expressing oneself in academic writing in Spanish [B.6.3/B.2.3; assessed]
- 6 Having knowledge of relevant dictionaries, reference works and electronic aids, using them adequately and efficiently, and critically evaluating them; displaying intellectual curiosity and a lifelong learning attitude [B.6.5/B.3.4; not assessed]

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is determined after successful competences assessment

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract

Teaching methods

Seminar, Independent work

Extra information on the teaching methods

Seminar: information transfer + exercises

Self-reliant study activities: academic and other writing tasks

"Because of COVID19, modified teaching methods can be applied if necessary".

The students can be asked to bring their own laptop to the classroom.

Learning materials and price

- Manual: Goethals, P., De Groote, C., Enghels, R., Vandenberghe, J. & Ibáñez Moreno, A. Manual de expresión escrita en español: Técnicas de escritura para estudiantes universitarios (B2-C1). Gent: Academia Press. [ISBN 978-9038217666]

Estimated total price: 25€

- Syllabus eSCAPADA - Spaanse woordenschat - versie 2.0 (Patrick Goethals)
- Butt, John, Benjamin, Carmen & Moreira Rodríguez, Antonia. A New Reference Grammar of Modern Spanish. 6th Edition (!!!). Routledge. ISBN 978-1-138-12401-1 (paperback)
- Howkins, Angela, Pountain, Christopher, de Carlos, Teresa. Practising Spanish Grammar. Fourth Edition (!!!). ISBN 978-1-138-33927-9 (paperback)

Other course material is made available through the electronic learning environment.

References

See course material

Course content-related study coaching

Feedback during the lectures.

Students can contact the teacher by email and/or by appointment.

Assessment moments

end-of-term and continuous assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the first examination period

Written assessment

Examination methods in case of periodic assessment during the second examination period

Written assessment

Examination methods in case of permanent assessment

Assignment

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent assessment

examination during the second examination period is possible

Extra information on the examination methods

First session

- Written assessment (80%): several exercises on the topics covered in class

- Assignment (20%): academic writing task to evaluate the acquired knowledge

Second session

- Written assessment (80%): the same
- Assignment (20%): the same; only the students who passed the assignment in the first examination period, don't have to do the assignment and can keep the partial mark

Calculation of the examination mark

The final score is the sum of the result obtained for the written assessment (80%) and for the assignment (20%).

The student must pass the written assessment, otherwise the maximum final score is 9/20.

If the student does not submit the assignment, the maximum final score is 9/20.

Facilities for Working Students

- Possibility to be exempted from attendance.
- Possibility to re-schedule examination to another date within the regular examination period.
- Feedback can be given by appointment

Addendum

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