



WINTER TERM 2016
ONLINE INTRODUCTORY SPANISH 112
COURSE WEB ADDRESS:

<http://connect.mheducation.com/class/a-glaviano-copy-of-spa-112-winter-term-2016>

COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES

Elementary Spanish 112 is a four-credit hour course designed to introduce you to the Spanish language, to the many facets of Hispanic culture, and to develop all language skills: **speaking, listening, writing, and reading**. In this course you will develop your ability to communicate in Spanish in everyday situations by learning basic Spanish vocabulary. Upon completion, you will be able to comprehend and respond with grammatical accuracy to spoken and written basic Spanish and demonstrate cultural awareness. This course consists of at least 20 hours a week of online activities.



EQUIPMENT NEEDED

The equipment needed for this course is:

1. **A computer, a tablet or a smart phone** with internet access. Feel free to use a tablet, or a smart phone, if it is more convenient for you. However, we do recommend a desk top or a lap top computer.

If you decide to use a tablet or a smart phone, make sure that **every once in a while you save your work on your desk top or lap top computer.**



2. **A set of headphones with a microphone.**

Many computers come equipped with their own microphones but often they are placed inside the computer too far away from the student's mouth, and due to this, the software cannot correctly "hear" what the student says, thereby hindering the learning process. That's why it is recommended to use a headset with a microphone attached to it.

3. **TEXTBOOK**

Textbook: **TU MUNDO** e-version.
Authors: Tracy Terrell and Andrade.

This is an electronic textbook and will be purchased at Mxcc bookstore with the book key.

For **Technical Assistance, call: 1-800-331-5094.** (For a fast connection to a representative, press 2, 2, and 1 and the beginning of each menu prompt.

In case you need to get in touch with your instructor, you can contact me **preferably via e-mail: aglaviano@mxcc.commnet.edu** or by **phone: 860-343-5807**

HOW DOES IT WORK???

All the students signed up for this course will learn Spanish as described above by using “**CONNECT**”, a sophisticated online language software engineered by MacGraw Hill Publishing Company.

You'll log into this web site every time you will be studying Spanish

To have access to this software, you need to do the following:

1. Click/copy and paste this link:
<http://connect.mheducation.com/class/a-glaviano-copy-of-spa-112-winter-term-2016>
2. Click on the “**REGISTER NOW**” button.
3. Fill in all the blanks with your personal information. All information will be kept private.

ATTENDANCE

1. **Withdrawal:** You may withdraw from this class any time before the end of the 11th week of the semester. A completed and signed withdrawal form must be on file in the Records Office by the deadline to receive a “W” on your transcript. If you fail to complete this process on time, you will receive a letter grade at the end of the semester, which will include zeroes for any work not submitted. Course withdrawals may affect financial aid and veteran’s benefits. Please make this decision carefully and with the help of your advisor. See the Academic Calendar and the College Catalog for specific dates and procedures regarding the withdrawal process.
2. **Incomplete:** If, for a very important reason, you cannot finish this course, you must apply for an **incomplete** by picking up an incomplete form at the Registrar’s Office and having the instructor sign it. If you do not follow this procedure, you will receive an automatic **F**.

HOMWORK

Doing homework is important for several reasons such as: understanding lessons, and it provides learning opportunities for the reinforcement of work learned during school time. Homework also makes you develop the culture of meeting deadlines.

The homework will be done by using the language software "**CONNECT**".

Doing the homework and handing it in on time is a requirement in this course.

Not doing the homework will result in **five (5) points** per exercise taken off the student's final grade. Handing it late will result in one point per exercise taken off the final grade at the end of the semester.

By doing the homework students get to practice before their quizzes and by respecting the deadlines the instructor does not get flooded with homework to review or correct at the very end of the semester.

IMPORTANT: The scores you receive for doing your homework are not factored in when calculating your final grade. However, there are penalties for not submitting it. (See above for details)

Again, no points will be given to students' final grades at the end of the semester for simply doing the homework. All homework must be submitted because doing the homework is a requirement in this course.

If a student has a specific reason why he or she didn't/couldn't do the homework or handed it in late, the student would want to share the reason with the instructor.

Your syllabus tells you where and how to find your assignment on your "CONNECT" account. The assignment will be found in the middle of your CONNECT's account. Simply click on the chapter being studied and then on the various exercises appearing on the screen

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WRITTEN HOMEWORK

You are required to do written homework. You'll be given detailed instruction in your syllabus.

If you lost your syllabus and need a replacement, please ask. Your instructor will send you a new one immediately.

The directions about how to do your homework will be explained once you get to the assignment section of **CONNECT**. Please contact your instructor if you need help understanding homework directions.



AUDIO HOMEWORK

In order to listen or speak Spanish in this course you will need to use your headphone/microphone set. Make sure that your set is plugged in to your computer or electronic device. Make sure the microphone is very close to your lips. To purchase this item, go online or to the **MxCC bookstore (860) 346-4490**. It is approximately \$20.00.

It is very possible that the first time you plug your headset into your computer/electronic device it may ask you to calibrate your headphone/microphone for better use of the software. It's a very easy and fast process. If you have any problems, just let me know or better yet call **CONNECT's Tech Support: 1-800-331-5094** (Preferred).

Once your headset is ready, follow the on-screen instructions.

QUIZZES

There will be a quiz at the end of every single chapter. Since we will be covering five chapters this semester, there are going to be 5 quizzes.

Your quizzes will be comprised of both written and oral exercises.

Your quizzes will be corrected and graded by both the online software and by the instructor and they are going to be **time sensitive**. So, make note of when you have to take your quizzes. **They will be available online only for 24 hours.**

As a courtesy, before each quiz, your instructor will post reminders on Black Board the day before your quizzes are scheduled. It would be advisable to have additional ways for when your quizzes are due, to make sure not to miss them.

Your final grade will be the result of the grades you earned in your quizzes, and for required assignment completion. Failure to do so will result in an automatic "F".

LATE SUBMISSIONS

Submitting your homework or quizzes late is not allowed and students will be penalized. (for details read the homework section on page 3) and therefore their late submission is NOT automatically accepted. In rare occasions they will allowed or not, based on a case by case basis.

FINAL GRADE AND GRADING

Your final grade will be the result coming from the 5 grades you earned from your quizzes.

To calculate your final grade simply add all these grades up and divide the result by 5.

Your grading is based on the following scale:

95 - over 95= A	75= C
90-94= A-	70- 74= C-
86-89= B+	66-69= D+
85= B	65= D
80-84= B-	60-64= D-
76-79= C+	

Anything below 60 is equal to an F.

IMPORTANT: Final grades will be affected by missing homework.


All assignments are time sensitive. this syllabus explains what materials you need to cover during each session, and how, and especially by when, you need to have your assignment completed. If you do not complete the assignments by the given deadline, the software will lock you out. You will be unable to retrieve the missed assignment and therefore will not receive credit for it.

Please, every time you experience any difficulty, please e-mail me at: aglaviano@mxcc.commnet.edu

Not understanding how the program works is no excuse for late work.

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After logging in your CONNECT'S account, click on the picture of your book  you see on your right. Now click on the drop down menu on your right (Capítulo 6 Sections) and select "vocabulario". Click on the blue triangle (▶) you see right below the words "Las materias". After you heard the speaker pronouncing every single word, there is going to be a pause allowing you to repeat 3 times the word you just heard. See the translation of that expression on the right side of the page.

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CAPÍTULO 6 Las carreras y los oficios

- VOCABULARIO:**
- Las materias
 - Las actividades en clase
 - Las habilidades

Now click again on the drop down menu on your right (Capítulo 6 Sections) and select "Comunícate". Now you will see the same words you listened to in the "vocabulario" section. You see these words now with pictures and in a context.

- COMUNÍCATE:**
- Las materias
 - Las actividades en clase
 - Las habilidades

Now click one more time on the drop down menu on your right (Capítulo 6 Sections) and select "Infórmate". In this section you'll learn about Spanish grammar. All explanations are done in English now.

- INFÓRMATE:**
- The Indirect Object Pronouns
 - The present Progressive

Now that you are done studying the various topics, you are ready to do your homework where you are going to reinforce what you studied above. To find it, go to your homework section of your web page. Several exercises links will appear on your screen. Click on them to gain access.

You just successfully finished navigating through the various sections of this chapter.

Every other chapter will work in the exact same way. If you have any questions please contact me: aglaviano@mxcc.commnet.edu. Thank you.

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CAPÍTULO 6 Las carreras y los oficios

- VOCABULARIO:**
- Las profesiones y los oficios
 - Los lugares del trabajo
 - Las actividades en el trabajo
- COMUNÍCATE:**
- El empleo
- INFÓRMATE:**
- *Saber* and *Poder* + Infinitive
 - Obligations: **tener que, deber, necesitar; hay que, es necesario** + Infinitive
- HW:** This hw is due for 12/29

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- VOCABULARIO:** Chapter review
- COMUNÍCATE:** Chapter review
- INFÓRMATE:** Chapter review

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CAPÍTULO 6 Las carreras y los oficios
- Quiz on CAPÍTULO 6

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! ☺ - NO CLASS

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CAPÍTULO 7 Los lugares y la residencia

- VOCABULARIO:**
- Los lugares en la ciudad
 - El vecindario y la casa
- COMUNÍCATE:**
- Los lugares en la ciudad
 - El vecindario y la casa
- INFÓRMATE:**
- Knowing People, Places, and Facts: **conocer** and **saber**
 - Comparisons of Inequality: **más/menos**
- HW:** This hw is due for 1/3

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CAPÍTULO 7 Los lugares y la residencia

VOCABULARIO:

- Los cuartos y otras dependencias
- Los muebles y los aparatos domésticos
- Los quehaceres domésticos

COMUNÍCATE:

- Las actividades domésticas
- Actividades en casa y en otros lugares

INFÓRMATE:

- Comparisons of Equality: **tan/tanto**
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HW: This hw is due for 1/4

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CAPÍTULO 7 Los lugares y la residencia

- Quiz on Capítulo 7

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CAPÍTULO 7 Los lugares y la residencia

- Cultural Activity about Colombia y Panamá

HW: This hw is due for 1/6

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CAPÍTULO 8 Hablando del pasado

VOCABULARIO:

- Los verbos irregulares en el pasado
- Los verbos irregulares en el pasado

COMUNÍCATE:

- Mis experiencias
- Mis experiencias con los demás

INFÓRMATE:

- Verbs with Irregular Preterite Forms
- Stem-Changing Verbs in the Preterite

HW: This hw is due for 1/7

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CAPÍTULO 8 Hablando del pasado

VOCABULARIO:

- ¿Cuándo?

COMUNÍCATE:

- Hechos memorables

INFÓRMATE:

- Verbs with Special Meaning in the Preterite: **conocer, poder, querer, saber, tener**
- Expressing *ago*: **hace** + Time

HW: This hw is due for 1/8

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CAPÍTULO 8 Hablando del pasado

- Quiz on Capítulo 8

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CAPÍTULO 9 ¡Buen provecho!

VOCABULARIO:

- El desayuno
- El almuerzo y la cena

COMUNÍCATE:

- La cocina del mundo hispano
- La nutrición

INFÓRMATE:

- Personal and Impersonal Direct Object Pronouns: **lo, la, los, and las**
- Using Affirmative and Negative Words: **alguien/nadie, algo/nada**

HW: This hw is due for 1/10

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CAPÍTULO 9 ¡Buen provecho!

VOCABULARIO:

- La carne
- El pescado y los mariscos

COMUNÍCATE:

- La preparación de la comida
- En el restaurante

INFÓRMATE:

- Expressing *one* or *you*: The Impersonal **se**
- Stem-Changing Verbs: **pedir** and **servir**

HW: This hw is due for 1/11

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CAPÍTULO 9 ¡Buen provecho!

- Quiz on Capítulo 9

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CAPÍTULO 10 Los recuerdos

VOCABULARIO:

- La familia y el parentesco

COMUNÍCATE:

- La familia y los parientes
- La niñez

INFÓRMATE:

- Prepositions and Pronouns
- The Imperfect Tense

HW: This hw is due for 1/13

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CAPÍTULO 10 Los recuerdos

VOCABULARIO:

- Las actividades de la niñez

COMUNÍCATE:

- La adolescencia

INFÓRMATE:

- Talking About Past Actions in Progress:
The Imperfect Progressive

- Using the Imperfect to Express Intention: **ir + a,**
querer, and **pensar + Infinitive**

HW: This hw is due for 1/14

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CAPÍTULO 10 Los recuerdos

- Quiz on Capítulo 10

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END OF THE SEMESTER