



**SUMMER TERM 2015**  
**ONLINE INTRODUCTORY SPANISH 101/105**  
**COURSE WEB ADDRESS:**

<http://connect.mheducation.com/class/a-glaviano-001>

**COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES**

Elementary Spanish 101/105 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, after dialing the phone number enter **2, 2, 4** at the beginning of each menu prompt. For issues **concerning registration** call: **1-800-331-5094** and at the beginning of each menu enter **2, 2, 1**.

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**. I am willing to share my mobile phone number in case needed.

### **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-001>
2. Click on the **“REGISTER NOW”** button.
2. Fill in all the blanks with your personal information. All information will be kept private.

The next step is making sure your computer software is compatible with the language software. To make sure it does, please click on this link: <http://connect.mheducation.com/connect/troubleshoot.do>

### **ATTENDANCE**

1. Because of the accelerated nature of this course you are going to log in your e-book almost every day of the week. It is up to you to ensure you are going to spend enough time studying making sure you you'll complete this course successfully. Usually two to three hours a day should be enough. Study for longer time if you feel it is needed.
2. **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 in order 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.

3. **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**.

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## **HOMEWORK**

Doing homework is important for a number of reasons: it aids in understanding lessons, and it provides learning opportunities for the reinforcement of work learned during studying time. Homework also makes you develop the culture of meeting deadlines.

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

**Doing the homework and handing it in on time is a requirement in this course.  
Submitting the homework on time does not give any points towards the final grade.**

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:** Students don't receive a grade or score for doing the assignments/homework.

As mentioned earlier, no points will be given to students' final grade at the end of the semester for simply doing the homework. Doing the homework is a requirement in this course.

If a student has a specific reason why he or she 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.

If you lost your syllabus and need a replacement, please ask your instructor. I will send you a new one immediately. Otherwise feel free log in your black board account. You'll find your syllabus posted in there.

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** prompts 2, 2, 4. (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 taking 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. They are going to be **time sensitive**. Make note of when you have to take your quizzes. **Your quizzes will be available online only for 24 hours.**

**Please don't leave your quizzes unattended. If you do, the software will close and you will not be able to get back in.**

**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**

Generally speaking, 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 be allowed by the instructor, depending 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.

Be very diligent and e-mail your instructor ([aglaviano@mxcc.commnet.edu](mailto:aglaviano@mxcc.commnet.edu)) whenever you are experiencing difficulties.

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

## MAYO 2015

After logging in your CONNECT'S account, in order to have access to your e-book click on the

picture of your e- book you see on the right.



Click on the “book contents” in order to select the chapter you are studying. In your case select “*Capítulo 1 ¡A Conversar!*”.

In order to select each different section within the chapter, look to your right and you will see another **sub menu** (*Capítulo 1 sections*). You will be able to navigate the different sections of this chapter by clicking on it.

Please be aware that “**Comunicate**” stands for vocabulary, “**Infórmate**” stands for grammar and “**vocabulario**” stands for....well....vocabulary. 😊

In the *vocabulario* section you will be able to hear the vocabulary or Spanish words. You cannot do that in the *Communicate* section. To hear the pronunciation of the Spanish words, simply click of the **play button** (blue tringle). Please **repeat** what the speaker says **3 times every time**. The cursor can be dragged up and down and you can also pause the audio if you want to.

Now, let’s start work!

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### CAPÍTULO 1: ¡A Conversar!

**The Spanish Alphabet:** Go to this web site:

**[http://www.spanishspanish.com/alfabeto\\_ipower.html](http://www.spanishspanish.com/alfabeto_ipower.html).**

While wearing your headset, move your mouse over every single letter. Listen to the pronunciation of every single letter of the Spanish alphabet by clicking on the letters **3 times** and listen to how to correctly pronounce all these letters.

As a study habit, every time you practice your listening skills, listen carefully each word **three times** and repeat after the speaker. The courser can be dragged up and down or paused.

Now log on your Connect e-book: **<http://connect.mheducation.com/class/a-glaviano-001>**

## VOCABULARIO

(Vocabulary with audio)

- Select your chapter as described above
- Click on "Capítulo 1 secciones" on your right and select "Vocabulario" all the way to the bottom of the menu.
- Please study the vocabulary presented under the "**Las preguntas y las respuestas**" category and listen to the pronunciation of these words by pressing the blue triangle. Please wear your headset. Repeat after the speaker 3 times or more if you deem it necessary. Translations are on the right.
- Please do the same with: **La ropa**
- Please do the same with: **Los colores**

## COMUNÍCATE

(Vocabulary without audio)

- After you finished studying the words above please click on your drop down menu on your right and select "**Comunícate: Los nombres de los compañeros de clase**" (on top). Read out loud these words applying what you learned when you studied the Spanish Alphabet and the pronunciation activity you just finished doing.

- From the drop down menu: Comunícate: **La ropa, los colores.**
- From the drop down menu: Comunícate: **Los números de 0 al 49.**

## INFÓRMATE

(GRAMMAR)

- From the drop down menu: Infórmate: **The Subject Pronouns** and the verb **Ser**.
- From the drop down menu: Infórmate: **Gender and Number of Nouns.**

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book.

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## CAPÍTULO 1 ¡A Conversar!

### VOCABULARIO

- From the drop down menu select Vocabulario. Study the following category of words:
  - **Las Personas**
  - **La descripción de las personas**

### COMUNÍCATE

- From the drop down menu: **La descripción de las personas.**
- From the drop down menu: **Los saludos.**

### INFÓRMATE

- From the drop down menu: **Adjective-Noun Agreement.**
- From the drop down menu: **Negation**

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book.

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## CAPÍTULO 1 ¡A Conversar!

**VOCABULARIO** - Chapter review

**COMUNÍCATE** - Chapter review

**INFÓRMATE** - Chapter review

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## CAPÍTULO 1 ¡A Conversar!

### - QUIZ ON CAPÍTULO 1

## JUNE 2015

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- Cultural video: **Mi país**

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book. The cultural videos are found in your homework folder.

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## CAPÍTULO 2 Amigos y compañeros

**VOCABULARIO** - From the drop down menu select: **Vocabulario**

Put on your headphones and listen and study:

- **Los cumpleaños y los meses del año**

- **La edad**

**COMUNÍCATE** - From the drop down menu: **Los cumpleaños y la edad**

**INFÓRMATE** - From the drop down menu: **Expressing age: the verb Tener**

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book.

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## CAPÍTULO 2 Amigos y compañeros

**VOCABULARIO** - From the drop down menu select: **Vocabulario**

Put on your headphones and listen and study:

- **Los Días de la semana**

- **Las cosas en el salón de clase**

- **El cuerpo humano**

**COMUNÍCATE** - From the drop down menu: **Las cosas en el salón de clase y los mandatos**

- From the drop down menu: **El cuerpo humano** (click on the image to make bigger)

**INFÓRMATE** - From the drop down menu: **Expressing location: The verb "Estar"**

- From the drop down menu: **Forms and placement of Adjectives**

- From the drop down menu: **Expressing origin: SER DE+PLACE**

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book.



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**CAPÍTULO 2 Amigos y compañeros**  
**- QUIZ ON CAPÍTULO 2**

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**CAPÍTULO 3 Las actividades y el tiempo libre**

**VOCABULARIO** - From the drop down menu: - **Los deportes**  
- **Las actividades favoritas**

**\* (Please don't forget to repeat after the speaker while you listening to these words. Thanks)**

**COMUNÍCATE** - From the drop down menu: - **Las actividades favoritas**

**INFÓRMATE** - From the drop down menu: - **Using gustar to Express Likes and Dislikes**

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book.

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**CAPÍTULO 3 Las actividades y el tiempo libre**

**VOCABULARIO** - From the drop down menu: - **La hora**

**\* (Please don't forget to repeat after the speaker while you listening to these words. Thanks)**

**COMUNÍCATE** - From the drop down menu: - **La hora**

**INFÓRMATE** - From the drop down menu: - **¿Qué hora es? ¿A qué hora?**

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book.

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### **CAPÍTULO 3 Las actividades y el tiempo libre**

**VOCABULARIO** - From the drop down menu: - **Las actividades diarias**  
- **Las estaciones**

**COMUNÍCATE** - From the drop down menu: - **La actividades y el tiempo libre**

**INFÓRMATE** - From the drop down menu: - **Present Tense of Regular -ar, -er, and -ir Verbs**

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book.

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### **CAPÍTULO 3 Las actividades y el tiempo libre**

**VOCABULARIO** - From the drop down menu: - **El tiempo**

**COMUNÍCATE** - From the drop down menu: - **El tiempo**

**INFÓRMATE** - From the drop down menu: - **Demonstratives**

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book.

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### **CAPÍTULO 3 Las actividades y el tiempo libre** **- QUIZ ON CAPÍTULO 3**

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Cultural activity: **Argentina u Uruguay**

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### **CAPÍTULO 4 La familia y los amigos**

**VOCABULARIO** - From the drop down menu: - **La familia**

**COMUNÍCATE** - From the drop down menu: - **En mi familia**

**INFÓRMATE** - From the drop down menu: - **Possession: tener, ser de, and Possessive Adjectives**

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book.

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**CAPÍTULO 4 La familia y los amigos**

- VOCABULARIO** - From the drop down menu: - La posesión
- COMUNÍCATE** - From the drop down menu: - Las preferencias y los deseos
- INFÓRMATE** - From the drop down menu: - The verbs **preferir** and **querer**+Infinitive

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book.

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**CAPÍTULO 4 La familia y los amigos**

- VOCABULARIO** - From the drop down menu: - Los datos personales  
- Los Países
- COMUNÍCATE** - From the drop down menu: - Los datos personales
- INFÓRMATE** - From the drop down menu: - Question formation

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book.

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**CAPÍTULO 4 La familia y los amigos**

- VOCABULARIO** - From the drop down menu: - Las nacionalidades  
- Los idiomas
- COMUNÍCATE** - From the drop down menu: - Los Planes
- INFÓRMATE** - From the drop down menu: - Making plans

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book.

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**CAPÍTULO 4 La familia y los amigos**  
**- QUIZ ON CAPÍTULO 4**

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#### CAPÍTULO 4

- Cultural activity: **Ecuador.**

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#### CAPÍTULO 5 La rutina diaria

##### VOCABULARIO

- From the drop down menu: - La rutina diaria  
- Las comidas

##### COMUNÍCATE

- From the drop down menu: - La rutina  
- Las tres comidas

##### INFÓRMATE

- From the drop down menu: - Present Tense of Reflexive verbs  
- Verbs with Stem Vowel Changes

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book.

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#### CAPÍTULO 5 La rutina diaria

##### VOCABULARIO

- From the drop down menu: - Los días feriados  
- Las bebidas

##### COMUNÍCATE

- From the drop down menu: - Los días feriados

##### INFÓRMATE

- From the drop down menu: - Impersonal Direct Object Pronouns

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book.

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#### CAPÍTULO 5 La rutina diaria

##### VOCABULARIO

- From the drop down menu: - Los estados físicos y anímicos

##### COMUNÍCATE

- From the drop down menu: - Los estados físicos y anímicos

##### INFÓRMATE

- From the drop down menu: - Irregular verbs

**HW:** You'll find your homework already assigned on your e-book.

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**CAPÍTULO 5 La rutina diaria**  
**- QUIZ ON CAPÍTULO 5**

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- Cultural video: **El Salvador, Honduras y Nicaragua**

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**END OF THE SEMESTER**