

**UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES  
CAVE HILL CAMPUS**

**Course Code and Title:** SPAN 0101, BASIC SPANISH

**2008**

**Semester Break:** February 24 - March 1

**Midterm Test:** March 3, 2008

**End of term:** April 18, 2008

**Exams begin:** April 23, 2008

**Course description**

The main aim of this course is to introduce students to the essentials of the Spanish grammar and to acquire basic communicative skills in this language.

**Objectives**

In this course, students will be able to carry out functions such as the following:

- Display the four skills through basic Spanish structures: oral and listening comprehension, reading interpretation and written composition.
- Socialize with others
- Seek and give basic personal information (name, date of birth, age, address, telephone number.)
- Discuss different occupations
- Complete simple forms or documents
- Ask for and give basic instructions and directions
- Display a basic awareness of Hispanic Culture

**Sample contents:**

- To introduce yourself: full name, age, occupation, marital status, date of birth...etc
- Numbers: ordinals and cardinals
- Daily greetings
- Occupations, countries and nationalities
- Order drink/food in a cafeteria/restaurant
- Describe family members and relationship
- Directions and positions
- Days of the week, months and seasons
- The time

Learning activities will include:

Book exercises, role-play, simple interviews, situation responses etc.

**Evaluation:**

During the course, there will be four exams: two for the midterm exam and another two for the final exam.

**The Midterm exam will take place after the third week of the course:**

Listening Comprehension (for Oral Component)	25 %
Written Exam (for Written Component)	20 %

**Final Exam:**

Interview (for Oral Component)	35 %
Written exam (for Written Component)	20 %

**You have to pass both components, oral and written, separately in order to be successful in the course.**

**Course Book:**

*Spanish is Fun: Lively Lessons for Beginners (3rd ed.) – Book 1* by Heywood Wald, Amsco School Publications, Inc., N.Y., 2000.

Code **R 614 P** is the softcopy and **R 614 H** the hardcopy.

Website: [www.amscopub.com](http://www.amscopub.com)

**Resource Materials:**

Bilingual Dictionary (Oxford, Collins, Harper.)

**Additional material/information shall be provided by the lecturer.**