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## COURSE OUTLINE

**COURSE PREFIX and NUMBER:** SPA 101

**CREDIT HOURS:** 4

**COURSE TITLE:** Beginning Spanish I

**PREREQUISITES:** No prior instruction in the Spanish language required

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** Introduces understanding, speaking, reading, and writing skills and emphasizes basic Spanish sentence structure. Lecture 4 hours per week. May include one additional hour of oral practice per week.

### MAJOR TOPICS TO BE COVERED:

- A. Pronunciation
- B. Spanish alphabet
- C. Basic dialogues – Greetings, Introductions, etc.
- D. Essential vocabulary used in basic conversations
- E. Travel in Spain, Mexico, and Latin America
- F. Current events and culture
- G. Grammar: nouns, adjectives, regular and irregular verbs—present tense

**GENERAL COURSE OBJECTIVES:** Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:

- A. Demonstrate understanding of concepts of Spanish pronunciation and sound system
- B. Demonstrate knowledge of basic vocabulary, including idiomatic phrases
- C. Demonstrate appropriate use of gender, subject, and verb agreement
- D. Use regular and irregular verbs in the present tense indicative
- E. Correctly form and use declarative and interrogative sentences
- F. Demonstrate listening comprehension and speaking skills at the beginner's level; novice to mid-novice
- G. Identify and discuss some elements of Spanish customs and culture