

Bienvenidos	<p>Literature, Journalism, Writing and Languages</p> <p>Point Loma Nazarene University</p> <p>SPA1001-2 Elementary Spanish</p> <p>Number of Units: 4</p>
<p>Spring 2021 J Term</p> <p>January 11- February 12</p>	

Course Format: Online	Instructor: Beatriz Kosonoy
Course Duration: January 11 - February 14, 2021	Email: bkosonoy@pointloma.edu
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PLNU Mission

To Teach ~ To Shape ~ To Send

Point Loma Nazarene University exists to provide higher education in a vital Christian community where minds are engaged and challenged, character is modeled and formed, and service is an expression of faith. Being of Wesleyan heritage, we strive to be a learning community where grace is foundational, truth is pursued, and holiness is a way of life.

HEALTH AND SAFETY UPDATE

It is expected that all students will abide by the health and safety standards set by the university. Here is a link to the most current [Health and Safety Guidelines](#).

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Welcome to the Elementary Spanish sequence. This course is one of the components of the General Education Program at Point Loma Nazarene University, under the category of Seeking Cultural Perspectives. By including this course in a common educational experience for undergraduates, the faculty supports the survey of human endeavors from a historical, cultural, linguistic and philosophical perspective, including developing critical appreciation of human expression--both artistic and literary. This course emphasizes four basic skills: aural comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing. Also noted is the cultural and historical background of the areas where the language is spoken. Participation and active use of the language is emphasized in the classroom.

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of the 1001-1002 sequence, students will be able to:

1. Speak (application) at the mid to high novice level using (application) basic formulaic and memorized materials within the student's own experience. **(PLO 3)**
2. Recognize (comprehension, knowledge) basic connected discourse that uses (application) vocabulary and grammar within the student's own experience. **(PLO 2,5)**
3. Write (application, knowledge) discrete sentences as well as simple connected paragraphs using memorized vocabulary and grammar structures. **(PLO 1,5)**
4. Read (application) cultural texts that employ familiar vocabulary and cognates as well as learned grammatical structures. **(PLO 4)**
5. Demonstrate (application, knowledge) comprehension of basic cultural mores and patterns of living of the target culture(s) studied. **(PLO 4,6)**

REQUIRED TEXTS AND RECOMMENDED STUDY RESOURCES

- *Portales ebook plus supersite.*

<https://vistahigherlearning.com/school/pointloma>

- **Talkabroad**, 1 conversation purchased through the bookstore or [TalkAbroad](#)
- **Daily access to reliable internet, web-cam and microphone. Please contact PLNU IT support at student-tech-request@pointloma.edu if you need assistance.**

COURSE CREDIT HOUR INFORMATION

In the interest of providing sufficient time to accomplish the stated Course Learning Outcomes, this class meets the PLNU credit hour policy for a 4 unit class delivered over 5 weeks. It is anticipated that students will spend a minimum of 37.5 participation hours per credit hour on their coursework. For this course, students will spend an estimated 150 total hours meeting the course learning outcomes. The time estimations are provided in the Canvas modules.

Category	Time Expectation in Hours
Readings	31
Discussions	20
Written Assignments	7.5
Portales Assignments	67
Exams	4
Cultural	10
TalkAbroad	30 min
Final Project	10
Total Hours	150

COURSE SCHEDULE AND ASSIGNMENTS

Discussions

Each week you will participate in online discussion boards where you will practice Spanish communicating verbally with your classmates. These discussions replace the interactive dialogue that occurs in the traditional classroom setting. **Discussions represent 10% of the overall course grade.**

Portales Assignments

You will be completing an average of 15 hours a week of homework/practice exercises within [Portales: \(Vista Higher Learning\)](#). **Portales Assignments represent 30% of the overall course grade. All assignments must be turned in completed by the due date otherwise only 50% percent of the possible points will be granted. No exceptions.**

The Portales Section for this class is: **KOS1001-2-SP2021**

Exams

Starting in Week 2, you will have open book weekly tests to measure your learning. **Exams represent 25% of the overall course grade.**

Written Assignments

Each week there will be one written assignment. **Written assignments represent 5% of the overall course grade.**

Cultural Engagement Assignment

Students will be required to complete **two cultural engagement assignments** during the class, such as visiting an online museum (and answering questions), or watching films in Spanish (and answering questions), or possibly doing a short research project on a topic or person from the Spanish-speaking world. **Cultural Engagement Assignment represents 10% of the overall course grade.**

TalkAbroad Conversation

As part of this class, you will have the opportunity to speak with a native speaker of Spanish for 30 minutes. **TalkAbroad Conversation represents 5% of the overall course grade. The code number to have access for the TalkAbroad section is: Koson2021-313259 . Do not forget that you need to buy the 30 minute conversation first in order to have access.**

Final- Video Project

You will be required to record a video project instead of taking a comprehensive final exam. **The final project represents 15% of the overall course grade.**

ASSESSMENT AND GRADING

Student grades will be posted in the Canvas grade book no later than midnight on Tuesday of each week beginning in Week Two of this course. It is important to read the comments posted in the grade book as these comments are intended to help students improve their work. Final grades will be posted within one week of the end of the class. Grades will be based on the following:

A	B	C	D	F
A 93-100	B+ 87-89	C+ 77-79	D+ 67-69	F Less than 59
A- 90-92	B 83-86	C 73-76	D 63-66	
	B- 80-82	C- 70-72	D- 60-62	

STATE AUTHORIZATION

State authorization is a formal determination by a state that Point Loma Nazarene University is approved to conduct activities regulated by that state. In certain states outside California, Point Loma Nazarene University is not authorized to enroll online (distance education) students. If a student moves to another state after admission to the program and/or enrollment in an online course, continuation within the program and/or course will depend on whether Point Loma Nazarene University is authorized to offer distance education courses in that state. It is the student's responsibility to notify the institution of any change in his or her physical location. Refer to the map on [State Authorization](#) to view which states allow online (distance education) outside of California.

PLNU ACADEMIC HONESTY

Students should demonstrate academic honesty by doing original work and by giving appropriate credit to the ideas of others. Academic dishonesty is the act of presenting information, ideas, and/or concepts as one's own when in reality they are the results of another person's creativity and effort. A faculty member who believes a situation involving academic dishonesty has been detected may assign a failing grade for that assignment or examination, or, depending on the seriousness of the offense, for the course.

PLNU ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS POLICY

While all students are expected to meet the minimum standards for completion of this course as established by the instructor, students with disabilities may require academic adjustments, modifications or auxiliary aids/services. At Point Loma Nazarene University (PLNU), these students are requested to register with the Disability Resource Center (DRC), located in the Bond Academic Center. (DRC@pointloma.edu or 619-849-2486). The DRC's policies and procedures for assisting such students in the development of an appropriate academic adjustment plan (AP) allows PLNU to comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act. Section 504 (a) prohibits discrimination against students with special needs and guarantees all qualified students equal access to and benefits of PLNU programs and activities. After the student files the required documentation, the DRC, in conjunction with the student, will develop an AP to meet that student's specific learning needs. The DRC will thereafter email the student's AP to all faculty who teach courses in which the student is enrolled each semester. The AP must be implemented in all such courses.

If students do not wish to avail themselves of some or all of the elements of their AP in a particular course, it is the responsibility of those students to notify their professor in that course. PLNU highly recommends that DRC students speak with their professors during the first two weeks of each semester about the applicability of their AP in that particular course and/or if they do not desire to take advantage of some or all of the elements of their AP in that course.

USE OF TECHNOLOGY

Since most courses will have online components, in order to be successful in the online environment, you'll need to meet the minimum technology and system requirements; please refer to the [Technology and System Requirements](#) information. Additionally, students are required to have headphone speakers compatible with their computer available to use. If a student is in need of technological resources, please contact student-tech-request@pointloma.edu.

Problems with technology do not relieve you of the responsibility of participating, turning in your assignments, or completing your class work.