

# COURSE SYLLABUS - MFL 137 ELEMENTARY SPANISH (3 hrs.)

(revised 09.07 for Thursday night CLASSES Rm AS202)

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REQUIRED TEXTS: ¡Hola, Amigos! (sixth edition) and CD package to accompany text.

## COURSE OBJECTIVES:

1. to increase and refine students' awareness of and appreciation for Spanish-speaking people and their cultures
2. to improve interpersonal communication skills in both English and Spanish
3. to improve students' understanding of English
4. to understand basic expressions and simple to more complex sentences in Spanish
5. To seek out information by asking questions in Spanish and to understand the responses
6. To write basic expressions and present-tense sentences in Spanish

COURSE CONTENT: Chapters 1-6 in text and workbook.

LANGUAGE LAB: The use of the CD program which accompanies this text is required. Completion of the laboratory portion of the workbook is necessary PRIOR to taking each chapter test. You will find the lab manual beginning on page 147 in the LATTER half of your text. If you do not complete the lab pages satisfactorily, five percent will be deducted from your chapter test.

WORKBOOK (WRITTEN): The work book begins on page 3 in the last half of the text. \* Although it is not required, it is highly recommended that these written exercises be completed on your own time

ATTENDANCE: Class attendance is mandatory. Each absence over two will lower your final grade 3%. Five absences will lower the final semester grade one letter. Six absences will result in the final semester grade being lowered 2 letters; seven, three letters. Students arriving after attendance has been taken will be counted as tardy. Excessive tardiness WILL be counted as absences. Any student who misses the final exam will have his grade lowered one letter. If an exam is missed, it must be made up IMMEDIATELY upon the student's return to class~ Failure to do so will result in a zero for the exam. ~

COURSE GRADE: Grades will be determined as follows:

Vocabulary and Chapter Tests 25%  
Lab/Workbook/Participation 25%  
Midterm 25%  
FINAL 25%

Students with an "A" average in EACH of the first three areas may be excluded from the FINAL. This does not mean an "A" average overall for the combined three areas. Students who miss more than 2 class periods will be required to take the FINAL regardless of their grade at the end of the semester.

CELL PHONE USAGE: Please turn cell phones to silent during class. We will have a break and you will be able to check messages or make calls during that time.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY: A student who submits, whether deliberately or accidentally, as his/her own work a paper which is in any part taken from another person's writing without proper acknowledgement (quotation marks, ) is guilty of plagiarism and will be reported to the Dean.