Course ID: SPAN 2002. 3 hours.

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Duplicate Credit: Not open to students with credit in SPAN 2002E, SPAN 2120H

Prerequisite: SPAN 2001 or SPAN 2001E or permission of department

Semester Course Offered: Offered every year.

Grading System: A-F (Traditional)

Course Objectives: By the end of the semester, student should be able to do the following:
1) engage in dialogue with classmates and instructor about situations in the past, present, and future, and use some colloquial expressions appropriately; sustain an opinion and engage in "what if" statement;
2) understand narration from the instructor, from the video or audio component, and from classmates;
3) read authentic material from the popular press as well as a few literary pieces and understand the main points and retell them;
4) write about a cultural text that was read or analyzed;
5) know a) basic concepts of environmental problems that face Spanish-speaking and other societies; b) issues of censorship and prejudice; c) a working definition of "culture" and make cross-cultural comparisons.

Grades will be based on 3 exams, 3 compositions, and oral/aural evaluation.

Topical Outline:
Language issues:
Writing as process;
Reading for meaning.

Contrastive cultural topics:
The global village and the environment;
Censorship and freedom;
Indigenous civilizations;
Discovery or encounter;
Toward a definition of "culture."