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AP Spanish Language and Culture Course Syllabus 2020-21

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Course Content

The course content is organized into units of study that take a chronological approach to the study of the literary works. These units comprise the content that colleges and universities typically expect students to master to qualify for college credit and/or placement.

Text

The Website for the course is as follows:

- Collegeboard.org

About the Teacher

Briefly, I was born and raised in Chiclayo Perú. After graduating from Peruvian Air Force University in 1990 with a bachelor's degree in Engineering System I came to Houston in 1998, gaining teacher certification at the University of Saint Thomas and master Degree at Salamanca University in Spain.

Ongoing Objectives

- By the end of this course, the student will have mastered the reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills as written in the AP Spanish Language and Culture.
- He/she will also have gained an understanding of the verbal section of the AP Spanish Language and Culture Exam. Elements of the verbal section include sentence completion, essay writing, and critical reading.
- The student will read a variety of literature, to enhance his/her knowledge of the literary world, and improve reading and writing skills.

Grading Scale

Grades are calculated as follow: Classwork 50%, Quizzes 30%, participation 20%

Attendance and Participation

Attendance and participation are required; it is difficult to learn the content if you are not present in class. Your class participation and attendance can be a deciding factor if your class average straddles two grades. Be sure to see me about any missed work if you are absent. All assignments have firm deadlines built into the HUB for completion.

Daily Required materials

Laptop, Composition Notebook, Pen or Pencil.

UNITS

UNIT 1: Families in Different Societies

Promotional Material
Letter
Conversation and Chart
Email Reply
Conversation
Cultural Presentation

UNIT 2: The Influence of Language and Culture on identity

Literary Text
Article and Chart
Audio report and Article
Argumentative Essay
Cultural Comparison

UNIT 3: Influences of Beauty And Art

Promotional Material
Literary Text
Letter
Conversation and Chart
Email Reply
Conversation
Cultural Comparison

UNIT 4: How Science and Technology Affect our Lives

Article and Chart

Interview

Instructions

Presentation

Argumentative Essay

Cultural Comparison

UNIT 5: Factors That Impact the Quality of Life

Literary Text

Conversation and Chart

Interview

Instructions

Email Replay

Conversation

Cultural Comparison

UNIT 6: Environmental Political, and Societal Challenges

Article and Chart

Audio Report and Article

Presentation

Argumentative Essay

Cultural Comparison