

ALTEC SPANISH

Spanish Advanced Conversation

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INTRODUCTION & LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Welcome to Spanish Advanced Conversation!

In this class, you will develop skills for communicating in Spanish. This is an interactive class, where we use the language to explore meaning and talk about a variety of rotating topics and themes.

We also aim to build intercultural competence by critically examining our own perspectives and comparing them to those of others.

Level Description

In Advanced Conversation, students use the language creatively and become able to successfully handle a variety of complicated communicative and written tasks. Students become able to form full paragraphs in the target language in order to narrate and describe events and experiences across all major areas of communication and to contribute to a conversation on a substantive topic, for example the environment, with accuracy and clarity.

Course Structure

Each week you will engage in two live class sessions (either in-person, or remotely via Zoom) with the instructor and other students. This class time will be structured with interactive conversation activities and games.

How to get the most out of this class

One of the ALTEC advantages is affordability. Students are not required to purchase materials. Instead, instructors provide a variety of resources, including learning guides, online and/or open-source curricula, and multi-modal language resources. This is integral to our program, as our classes are customized to meet our students' unique learning needs. Many of these resources are linked to the right and you will have access to a number of additional materials in Canvas.

We recognize that each student has their own learning style and language-learning goals. So, you might think about the collection of materials provided by your instructor as a sort of buffet—use what works best for you to meet your own particular learning goals.

MATERIALS

[Quizlet](#)

You can use this site/app for vocabulary study.

[OER](#)

This is a cost-free, interactive curriculum for Spanish-language learning

[Super Easy Language Videos](#)

This YouTube series produces free learning material from different places in (Latin America and Spain).

[Canvas](#)

Here you will find extra grammar materials, practice quizzes (optional), discussion pages, etc.

[More](#)

Students can find additional resources on grammar, culture, history, etc. here.



week	communicative goals	vocabulary	practice exercises
1	General review of Intermediate II		Practice exercises, vocabulary and topics will vary every semester
2	Avoid redundancy when speaking using double object pronouns		
3	Express likes and dislikes beyond <i>gustar</i> and learn about other verbs that work just like <i>gustar</i>		
4	Compare and contrast lifestyles, people, and places using comparisons of equality and inequality and the superlative		

week	communicative goals	vocabulary	practice exercises
5	Identify organs in the body, illnesses, and give advice using verbs for wellness and disease		Practice exercises, vocabulary and topics will vary every semester
6	Talk about things that are not facts using present tense regular subjunctive		
7	Talk about desires, doubts, wishes, conjectures, and possibilities using the subjunctive for recommendations and emotions		
8	Discuss doubts and beliefs using the subjunctive for doubts		

CLASS EXPECTATIONS

Students and faculty are responsible for maintaining an appropriate learning environment in all instructional settings, whether in person, remote or online. ALTEC celebrates and welcomes students from all walks of life. We strive to make our virtual and in-person classes an inclusive and safe space for all regardless of age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, national origin, disability, and veteran status. We welcome all aspects of people and celebrate and honor diversity.

CU Boulder recognizes that students' legal information doesn't always align with how they identify. Let your instructor know if you have a preferred name and pronouns.

Netiquette (Net-Etiquette)

If a breakout room conversation or situation becomes uncomfortable for you, you are welcome to leave and return to the main room. Remember that we have a wide variety of people in our language class who may come from very different backgrounds and lived experiences than you. Let's keep this in mind in our class and breakout room conversations. If you choose to leave a breakout room, please notify your instructor so they can address the issue in a way that is respectful to you and the other learners.

Accommodations for Disabilities

The University of Colorado is committed to providing universal access to all of our classes and events. For disability accommodations (e.g., sign language interpreters, alternative formats) please [register with Disability Services](#) by first submitting an [Application for Accommodations](#) as soon as possible. Advance notice is necessary to arrange for some accessibility needs.

