

Profesora: Dr. Maribel Morales**Oficina:** LH 226**Correo electrónico:** mmorales@carthage.edu**Teléfono:** 551-2313**Horas de oficina:** Lunes 11:35-2:35pm, martes y jueves 8:30-9:30, o por cita.

Course Description

- This course continues the linguistic and cultural experiences of 2010 and 2020. New linguistic structures are practiced in communicative and written activities. Students will also amplify their vocabulary through the assigned readings.
- Spanish 3010 is the highest level Spanish language class offered at Carthage. It is a required course for both the major and minor in Spanish. Since direct placement into this class based on the placement exam exempts the student from Carthage's foreign language requirement, it is presumed that everyone enrolled in this class has either declared a major or minor or is seriously considering doing so.
- Accordingly, the purpose of this class is to complete your preparation for the remaining classes in the minor (SPN 3080 or SPN 3090 and SPN 3110) or major (SPN 3080, SPN 3090 and SPN 3110, SPN 4010, and SPN 4710 or SPN 4240 and semester abroad) all of which depend heavily on texts written by native speakers of Spanish for educated native speakers of Spanish.

Departmental language proficiency exams

The Department of Modern Languages requires all students who wish to take **SPN 3080, 3090 or 3110** to pass an oral proficiency interview and a reading proficiency exam before enrolling in these classes to ensure that they have adequate command of Spanish to do the work expected in these classes. These exams will take place on week 6: **March 6, 8 and 10 (Oral) and March 13 (reading).**

Exams are scheduled at this time in order to provide students and academic advisors the information they will need for advisement and registration for the Spring semester. Therefore, students should not register for SPN 3080, 3090 or 3110 until they receive confirmation that they have passed both the oral proficiency interview and the reading proficiency exam. A student may take exams only once during the semester. Students who do not pass both exams during the Fall semester must complete an additional course of study before taking the test a second time.

There are two parts, and you need to pass both to continue with your Spanish minor or major:

1. Reading proficiency exam: A series of texts and comprehension questions. It is a written exam, and you will be graded on your responses to comprehension questions and your written response.
2. Oral proficiency exam: An interview with your instructor. This interview will be recorded.

If you pass both exams you will be able to enroll in higher level classes 3080, 3090, 3110, etc.

If you fail one or both exams, and you want to re-take the exams, you need to do some serious work to improve your language skills during the summer. The week before the beginning of the Fall semester, you would need to contact your instructor to schedule a time to re-take the exams you failed. If you pass both exams you will be able to enroll in 3080, 3090, or 311 in the Fall.

Failure to pass both exams at this point would mean considering ending your Spanish minor or major.

Materials

1. **“Como agua para chocolate” de Laura Esquivel.**
2. Netflix account.
3. Spanish-Spanish dictionary not required, but strongly suggested.

Student Learning Outcomes: By the end of the course ...

- Students will understand a long, complex literary text, appreciating distinctions of style. Summarize chapters (*Como agua para chocolate*)
- Students will understand specialized articles even not related to their fields.
- Students will express themselves fluently, spontaneously without obvious search of expressions and use language flexibly and effectively for social and professional purposes formulating ideas, complex subjects, integrating sub-themes and opinions with precision and rounding off with an appropriate conclusion.
- Students will write about different topics using advanced grammatical structures.
- Students will improve their research skills using Spanish resources for their final project.
- Students will learn about a variety of topics in the Hispanic world.

ATTENDANCE POLICY: *What to do if you are absent:*

1. EXCUSE YOUR ABSENCE: SEND AN E-MAIL TO the professor: mmorales@carthage.edu **BEFORE CLASS.** Attach any homework assignment due that day.

As an athlete you [not your coach] must inform the professor of an absence 48 hours beforehand. *“El/la deportista, debe informarle a la profesora del evento oficial **2 días antes** de la ausencia. Tiene que entregar toda la tarea y/o tomar cualquier prueba **ANTES de la ausencia.** Debe llegar a la próxima clase **preparado/a.**”*

2. The instructor will reply to that e-mail with **specific instructions** (these include class assignments and quizzes) **MAKE UP WORK is due the next day.**

If you do not send an email excusing your absence, you will not be able to make up any work or take any quizzes. If you fail to follow the steps above, you will receive no credit: 0 points

•**Grading Criteria:** The final grade will be based on the following criteria:

20% Attendance and participation	110% Departamental Oral Proficiency Interview
20% Written assignments and Online homework	110% Research paper
10% Quizzes	110% In-class presentations
10% Departamental Reading Proficiency Exam	110% Final exam

NORMAS DE LA CLASE:

Español en la clase: El español/castellano es la única lengua permitida en la clase desde el momento en el que entras en el salón de clase. Si necesitas comunicarte con la profesora en inglés, hazlo fuera del salón de clase.

Está prohibido comer: Como esta clase está basada en la comunicación, **está prohibido comer** en clase como gesto de cortesía y por razones comunicativas ya que “con la boca llena no se habla”.

Teléfonos móviles - Celulares: Al entrar en la clase, los celulares deben estar en silencio y guardados en la mochila o en el bolso. No está permitido tener los teléfonos en la mesa.

Learning differences:

If you have a disability-related need for accommodations in this course, please meet with me during the first week of class. You will then consult with Diane Schowalter, the Learning Specialist, who will send me documentation about how to help you be successful in the class.