

Certificate in Essential Spanish- Course Content

Essential Spanish 1

Language Structure	Pronunciation	Culture	Theme
<input type="checkbox"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nouns and articles Numbers 0–30 Present tense of ser Telling time 	The Spanish alphabet	Highlight: About greetings and kissing in hispanic countries Profile: The main plaza	Greetings and leave-takings Identifying yourself and others Expressions of courtesy
<input type="checkbox"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present tense of -ar verbs Forming questions in Spanish Present tense of estar Numbers 31 and higher 	Spanish vowels	Highlight: Choosing a college career Profile: The University of Salamanca	The classroom and academic life Fields of study and academic subjects Days of the week Class schedules

To be eligible to take Essential Spanish 2, it is recommended that you have complete mastery of the topics on Essential Spanish 1

Essential Spanish 2

Language Structure	Pronunciation	Culture	Theme
<input type="checkbox"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Descriptive adjectives Possessive adjectives Present tense of -er and -ir verbs Present tense of tener and venir 	Diphthongs and linking	Highlight: What's your name? Profile: The Spanish royal family	The family Identifying people Professions and occupations
<input type="checkbox"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present tense of ir Stem-changing verbs: e > ie, o > ue Stem-changing verbs: e > i Verbs with irregular yo forms 	Word stress and accent marks	Highlight: Real Madrid and Barça: total rivalry Profile: Miguel Cabrera y Paola Espinosa	Pastimes Sports Places in the city
<input type="checkbox"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Estar with conditions and emotions The present progressive Ser and estar Direct object nouns and pronouns 	Spanish b and v	Highlight: Iguazú Falls Profile: Punta del Este	Travel and vacation Months of the year Seasons and weather Ordinal numbers
<input type="checkbox"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Saber and conocer Indirect object pronouns Preterite tense of regular verbs Demonstrative adjectives and pronouns 	The consonants d and t	Highlight: Outdoor markets Profile: Carolina Herrera	Clothing and shopping Negotiating a price and buying Colors More adjectives

To be eligible to take Essential Spanish 3, it is recommended that you have complete mastery of the topics on Essential Spanish 2

Essential Spanish 3

	Language Structure	Pronunciation	Culture	Theme
<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflexive verbs • Indefinite and negative words • Preterite of ser and ir • Verbs like gustar 	The consonant r	Highlight: La siesta (the nap) Profile: El mate (infused drink)	Daily routine Personal hygiene Time expressions
<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preterite of stem-changing verbs • Double object pronouns • Comparisons • Superlatives 	ll, ñ, c, and z	Highlight: Fruits and Vegetables of America Profile: Ferrán Adrià: art in the kitchen	Food Food descriptions Meals
<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Irregular preterites • Verbs that change meaning in the preterite • ¿Qué? and ¿Cuál? (What and Which) • Pronouns after prepositions 	The letters h, j, and g	Highlight: Semana Santa (Easter)-holiay and tradition Profile: Viña del Mar Festival	Parties and celebrations Personal relationships Stages of life
<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The imperfect tense • The preterite and the imperfect • Constructions with se • Adverbs 	Diacritical marks (accents) and strong syllables	Highlight: Health Services Profile: Healers and Shamans	Health and medical terms Parts of the body Symptoms and medical conditions Health professions

To be eligible to take Essential Spanish 4, it is recommended that you have complete mastery of the topics on Essential Spanish 3

Essential Spanish 4

	Language Structure	Spelling and Grammar	Culture	Theme
<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Familiar commands • Por and para • Reciprocal reflexives • Stressed possessive adjectives and pronouns 	Use of accents on similar words	Highlight: Social Networks Profile: Texting	Home electronics Computers and the Internet The car and its accessories
<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relative pronouns • Formal (usted/ustedes) commands • The present subjunctive • Subjunctive with verbs of will and influence 	Capital letter and lowercase	Highlight: Central patio Profile: Floating Islands on Lake Titicaca	Household chores Table settings
<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The subjunctive with verbs of emotion • The subjunctive with doubt, disbelief, and denial • The subjunctive with conjunctions 	Punctuation	Highlight: The Andes Move! Profile: Santa Marta's Sierra Nevada	The environment Recycling and conservation
<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The subjunctive in adjective clauses • Nosotros/as commands • Past participles used as adjectives 	Abbreviations	Highlight: Traveling by metro (subway) Profile: Luis Barragán: architecture and emotion	City life Daily chores Money and banking At a post office

To be eligible to take Essential Spanish 5, it is recommended that you have complete mastery of the topics on Essential Spanish 4

Essential Spanish 5				
	Language Structure	Spelling and Grammar	Culture	Theme
<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present Perfect • Past Perfect • Present Perfect Subjunctive 	The letters b and v	Highlight: Natural spas Profile: La quinua	Health and well-being Exercise and physical activity Nutritions
<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future • Future Perfect • Past Subjunctive 	The letters y, ll, and h	Highlight: Employment Benefits Profile: César Chávez	Professions and occupations The workplace Job interviews
<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conditional • Conditional Perfect • Past Perfect Subjunctive 	Spelling cheats	Highlight: Caracas Contemporary Museum of Art Profile: Fernando Botero: unique style	The arts Movies Television
<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Si clauses • Summary of the uses of the subjunctive 	Neologisms and anglicisms	Highlight: Social Protests Profile: Two new leaders in Latin America	Current events and politics The media Natural disasters
<p>To move on to Intermediate Spanish it is recommended that you have complete mastery of all the Essential Spanish topics (Essential Spanish 1-5 or equivalent knowledge)</p>				

If you checked all the items on this form, you are ready to take it to the next level!
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