University of Kansas
Fall 2014 – Spanish 522 Advanced Studies in Spanish: Linguistics, SLA, Culture and the Spanish Language

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Class Place: Wes 1001
Class Time: MW 11:00AM - 12:15PM
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Textbook: None. All the information for this class will come from the instructor’s materials or from existing internet sites.

adopted:

Materials that can help for additional consultation:

Course description: SPAN 522 studies the Spanish language in terms of General Linguistics, Second Language Acquisition, and culture. It is an introductory training in Linguistics that attempts to prepare students to be good language observers and therefore to become the best language learners and teachers. Typically, students in this course have never taken a class neither in Linguistics nor in Second Language Acquisition, although they have an advanced proficiency in Spanish.

This course will be presented in a combination of lecture and interactive style. Students are required to contribute to class discussion, and to work with their classmates showing their skills and maturity in group work.

Students who miss classes and/or are shy to talk in class have other alternatives to show me their preparedness, e.g. see me in my office to discuss the lesson(s); send me an e-mail with the lesson/s summary/ies, or use other means we agree upon, to show their preparedness.

Grading Scheme

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<td>Four examinations (the exam last one is comprehensive and it weighs 35/50%)</td>
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<td>Individual Poster Project, no research paper</td>
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Everyone is allowed three absences. There is no need to excuse absences, because three absences is a considerable number for a course that meets twice a week. Two points will be taken out of the instructor’s grade for each absence beyond the fourth one. If you miss a test, it does not count as absence.