

SPANISH 115-1 (REMOTE COURSE)
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Course description: Spanish 115 is a course designed for students with some previous study of Spanish. The course develops essential communicative Spanish skills while developing critical thinking and cultural competency. Spanish 115-1 is the first part of this two-quarter sequence in Accelerated Elementary Spanish.

Prerequisites: Departmental online placement exam.

Policies: Students must be active learners and pay prioritize daily study. Because learning a language requires constant and consistent exposure to the target language, daily study is critical, and will make your Spanish 115 life much smoother. You should plan to spend at least 10-12 hours on this class each week: you will spend a significant portion of those hours working individually on concepts (e.g., how to express dis/likes in Spanish) to develop both a solid understanding of, and informed questions about, the use of grammatical/lexical concepts to express yourself in Spanish. Another sizeable chunk of your time will be spent collaborating with fellow students to complete interpersonal tasks. You will also participate in synchronous class meetings and office hours with your professor throughout the quarter. Over the quarter, these guided exercises and tasks will help you learn/solidify oral and written production in Spanish. As always, YOU are in control of your learning process, and will get out of this course exactly what you put into it. Active learners who work diligently outside of class will find proficiency development more successful.