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Spanish 1001-003  T& Th. 11 AM to 12:15 PM  3 Hrs.

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Book: Con Brío, by Lucas, Dawson  (at UNO Library).

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WELCOME:
Thank you for taking the class.
I am sure will enjoy to be immerse in Spanish and Spanish-American Language, Culture, History, Civilization and Way of life.

I divided this Schedule on:
1—Student Learning Outcome.
2—Work and plan for the hour and fifteen minutes you will be in class.
3-Exams.
4-University Schedule and Festivities.
5-A Message from the Administration of the University of New Orleans to all students at UNO.

1-You will enjoy entering in contact with Spanish culture, countries, history and people which are our neigbors and in the city of New Orleans our friends, and coworkers.

You will learn about the different countries in Latin American and Spain and about the only formally Spanish speaking Associate State in the United States.

We will discuss how they come to be independent from the “Mother country” or Spain, and what the reason for different accents they have was and why. We will study the formation of the University of Mexico, the first one in the America (1550), and the University of San Marcos in Peru, the second oldest in the
continent. We will discuss the arrival of the Spaniards in the New World and the conquering different regions. We will not forget to look at the magnificent culture Aztecs, and Maya’s civilization. I will be bring to class gerogliphics and pictures drawn by the Mayas that show the extraordinary culture they had arrived at the moment the Spaniards arrived.

We will discuss the individual countries of Latin America: capitals, climate, cities, education. We will include not only Spain but other parts of the world that speak Spanish, such areas of Asia Minor, central Africa, and the past generation in the Philippines and the reason why the latest had kept the language for so many centuries.

We will discuss the family and how the tradition has influenced the formation of this central group on society, the food and the meals they eat as well as the different times for their meals on each countries.

2-This assignment is part of your grade:

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In order to understand more our Spanish speaking neighbors: Every week:

You will try to meet a Spanish speaking friend, neighbor or student at the university. You may also go to a Spanish restaurant and chat with a friendly person.

You will ask about the country of origin, city, population, history, friends, studies, university, high school, libraries, statues, points of interest and family life.

You cannot ask any personal question. You cannot discuss politics unless the person share with you the political situation, but you cannot develop a topic on this matter. You can also ask about clime, culture, cities, language, etc.

You will bring to class a brief written paragraph and we will discuss in class your findings. I realize that you will not be able to develop a conversation, but the chat has to be in English.

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The class will be divided:

1- We will discuss your weekly paragraphs reading (above) (20 minutes).

2- I will talk to you for 20 minutes in Spanish using the vocabulary and verbs you have studied the class before.

3- The rest of the class will be divided as follow:
We will discuss one Spanish speaking country, culture, life education, and any interesting aspect of their individuality. I will use the internet in order to explain further how the individual countries developed their own particular way of life.

You will do exercises from the book with a partner or the students who is seating next to you. All work will be done in cooperation.

I will introduce the material for the following class and write on the board your assignments.

3- Exams. When we complete a chapter you will have an exam. There will be 4 exams and the Final Departmental Exam plus my own. (value 20 points).

   A- Value of Exams: 30
   B- Attendance  20
   C- Final Exam  20
   D- Participation 30

4- University Schedule and festivities:

Regular class for T and Th: August 20th, 2015.

September 7 Labor Day Holiday.

October 5-9 Mid-Term Examination

October 25-26 Fall Break
November 26-27 Thanksgiving Holiday

December 4: Last Day of Class.

**FINAL EXAM FOR THIS CLASS: December 8 from 10AM to 12 Noon.**

5-Message from the Administration:

Attendance: Students should try to be in class all the time, do their homework, take notes and participate. We accept only 3 missing days during the semester, unless there is a valid excuse.

Academic integrity and honesty is expected at all time. The university will not tolerate cheating, plagiarism tempering with records and falsifying identity.

Consult the UNO Judicial Code if you need further information. The Judicial Code is on the web page of the university.

Students should be on time, respect other students as well as faculty. Cell phone should be turned off. No food or drink is allowed in the classroom, unless there is a special need. Courteous behavior is expected all time.

Do not make comments that in any form that are offensive to other students. Do not correct students. Only Dr. Artigas is allowed to correct students.

**STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY:**

They will be accommodated. Please, let the Instructor know if there is any problem with your learning process, or with exams. The Disability Center is Located at Milneburg Hall 150. Please contact the Center if you encounter any problem.

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Have a wonderful school year. Dr. María del Carmen Artigas