

**Miami Dade College**  
**SPN 2340 – Spanish for Native Speakers I**

**Course Description:** Students will hone speaking, reading, and grammatical knowledge of formal Spanish. Strongly recommended for Spanish majors.

3 credits

**Prerequisite:** Oral ability to communicate in Spanish or permission of department chairperson.

**Course Competencies:**

Competency 1: The student will demonstrate comprehension of the sounds and symbols of Spanish by translating knowledge through phonemic and morphemic transcriptions of particular words.

Competency 2: The student will demonstrate knowledge of the syllabic nature of the Spanish language by recalling in writing or orally the most prominent vowel quantity.

Competency 3: The student will demonstrate knowledge of the 14 diphthongs in the Spanish language by isolating the diphthong or diphthongs in the Spanish lexicon.

Competency 4: The student will demonstrate an application of syllabification rules by dividing Spanish words into syllables.

Competency 5: The student will demonstrate an application of knowledge of Accent rules related to diphthongs and triphthongs by correctly adding accents to Spanish words with diphthongs or triphthongs.

Competency 6: The student will demonstrate an application of knowledge of written accent rules by using these rules to accent Spanish words.

Competency 7: The student will demonstrate a comprehension of the “parts of

speech” in Spanish by identifying these various parts in examples of Spanish sentences through recognition of their characteristic and contrastive features.

Competency 8: The student will demonstrate an application of the knowledge of the use of the different letters by choosing from selected words in Spanish the letters which should be used; e.g., b vs. v, c vs. s vs. z vs. x, g vs. j, ll vs. y, r vs. rr, etc.

Competency 9: The student will demonstrate knowledge of the verb system in Spanish by recalling a verb synopsis of the five moods (indicative, subjunctive, etc.).

Competency 10: The student will demonstrate the ability to comprehend the main points of reading selections by summarizing them.

Competency 11: The student will demonstrate a comprehension of written Spanish by distinguishing the important information contained in a passage.

Competency 12: The student will demonstrate an acceptance of the value of using a Spanish dictionary to define words not known by increasing dictionary usage to define new words.