



University
of Exeter



Evening language programme 2024/25

Course title: Spanish Post-Beginners Part I (A2.1)

Course descriptor/objectives

The aim of the course is to help the learner to develop basic speaking, writing, listening and reading skills, extend vocabulary and consolidate grammar for communication purposes. Therefore, by the end of the courses (A2.1 and A2.2) participants will be able to:

1. Understand sentences and frequently used expressions related to areas of most immediate relevance (e.g. very basic personal and family information, shopping, local geography, employment).
2. Can communicate in simple and routine tasks requiring a simple and direct exchange of information on familiar and routine matters.
3. Can describe in simple terms aspects of their background, immediate environment and matters in areas of immediate need.

Participants will develop basic reading, listening, speaking and writing skills through a series of task-oriented sessions, and will be provided with informal formative feedback during lessons. The completion level of the course is broadly equivalent to the A2.1 level of the [Common European Framework](#).

In seminars, participants will engage in practical exercises and group interaction in order to develop relevant language learning strategies. The tutor will facilitate this process, provide useful tools and

encourage participants to become independent learners and confident users of the language.

Language-specific information:

Spanning four continents, with official language status in twenty countries, Spanish native speakers number more than 500 million. Considered a global language, it is the second-most-spoken native language after Mandarin Chinese. As part of the romance language family, Spanish can trace its roots back to the Latin of the roman empire, meaning it shares certain features and vocabulary with French and Italian, among others. Proficiency in Spanish can unlock vast areas of culture and history, including classic works like Don Quixote by Cervantes, and more modern media, with a huge selection of Spanish film and television available online. In fact, after English and Chinese, Spanish is the third most common language on the internet.

Prerequisite:

This non-credit bearing weekly course is intended for Spanish language learners who have completed an A1.2 course in the ELP or equivalent (GCSE).

Coursebook and/or learning resources:

To be confirmed by the teacher.