COURSE OUTLINE

COURSE PREFIX and NUMBER: SPA 101
CREDIT HOURS: 4

COURSE TITLE: Beginning Spanish I

PREREQUISITES: No prior instruction in the Spanish language required

COURSE DESCRIPTION: Introduces understanding, speaking, reading, and writing skills and emphasizes basic Spanish sentence structure. Lecture 4 hours per week. May include one additional hour of oral practice per week.

MAJOR TOPICS TO BE COVERED:

A. Pronunciation
B. Spanish alphabet
C. Basic dialogues – Greetings, Introductions, etc.
D. Essential vocabulary used in basic conversations
E. Travel in Spain, Mexico, and Latin America
F. Current events and culture
G. Grammar: nouns, adjectives, regular and irregular verbs—present tense

GENERAL COURSE OBJECTIVES: Upon successful completion of the course, the student will be able to:

A. Demonstrate understanding of concepts of Spanish pronunciation and sound system
B. Demonstrate knowledge of basic vocabulary, including idiomatic phrases
C. Demonstrate appropriate use of gender, subject, and verb agreement
D. Use regular and irregular verbs in the present tense indicative
E. Correctly form and use declarative and interrogative sentences
F. Demonstrate listening comprehension and speaking skills at the beginner’s level; novice to mid-novice
G. Identify and discuss some elements of Spanish customs and culture