Spanish: Area Studies (A703329)

Course Specifications
Valid as from the academic year 2019-2020

Course size (nominal values; actual values may depend on programme)
Credits 4.0
Study time 120 h
Contact hrs 45.0 h

Course offerings and teaching methods in academic year 2019-2020
A (semester 1) Dutch, Spanish guided self-study 15.0 h
lecture 30.0 h

Lecturers in academic year 2019-2020
De Wilde, July LW22 lecturer-in-charge
Goethals, Patrick LW22 co-lecturer

Offered in the following programmes in 2019-2020 crdts offering
Master of Science in Teaching in Languages (main subject Applied Language Studies) 4 A
Master of Arts in Multilingual Communication: a combination of at least two languages (main subject Dutch, English, Spanish) 4 A
Master of Arts in Interpreting: a combination of at least two languages (main subject Dutch, English, Spanish) 4 A
Master of Arts in Translation: a combination of at least two languages (main subject Dutch, English, Spanish) 4 A
Master of Arts in Multilingual Communication: a combination of at least two languages (main subject Dutch, French, Spanish) 4 A
Master of Arts in Interpreting: a combination of at least two languages (main subject Dutch, French, Spanish) 4 A
Master of Arts in Translation: a combination of at least two languages (main subject Dutch, French, Spanish) 4 A
Master of Arts in Interpreting: a combination of at least two languages (main subject Dutch, German, Spanish) 4 A
Master of Arts in Translation: a combination of at least two languages (main subject Dutch, German, Spanish) 4 A
Exchange Programme Applied Language Studies 4 A

Teaching languages
Dutch, Spanish

Keywords
Spain, Latin America, society, history, politics, the economy, environment, education, image, rights of minorities, transitional justice

Position of the course
Spanish: Area studies (S4MO) builds on the students' knowledge of Spain and Latin America in the 20th and 21st centuries. Both modules offer a structured insight into recent social developments in Spain and Latin America.
Exchange students may take up this course unit. Exchange students may take up just one module, worth 3 credits, of this course unit. No prior knowledge of Dutch is required for this module.

Contents
This course unit has two sub-units.
S4MO_SP: This sub-unit focuses on specific topics related to the recent history of Spanish society from 1982 to the present. Topics are introduced thematically and include: (a) the electoral system, political parties and major political events; (b) regional

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access to this course unit via a credit contract is unrestricted: the student takes into consideration the conditions mentioned in ‘starting competences’. This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract.

Initial competences

The students:

• are familiar with important concepts and realia from the cultural history of the language area;
• can retrieve information about the language area’s cultural history, drawing on appropriate sources;
• can frame the language area’s current affairs in a cultural and historical context.

Final competences

1. Having a command of Spanish at level C1+ of the CEFR [M.1.1.; assessed]
2. Having advanced knowledge of the cultural and institutional backgrounds of Spain and Latin America and, based on that knowledge, critically reflecting on social developments and intercultural transfers in Spanish. [M. 1.2.; assessed]
3. Actively following new developments in the general context of the language and culture of Spain and Latin America; reflecting on these critically and placing them in a broad context [M. 3.1.; assessed]
4. Underpinning views in a scientifically justified manner and sharing these with both lay people and colleagues in a coherent and clear manner [M. 3.2.; assessed]
5. Displaying a commitment to lifelong learning [M. 3.4.; not assessed]
6. Integrating language and cultural sensitivity and respect for diversity into the professional environment and the social debate [M. 5.2.; not assessed].

Conditions for credit contract

Access to this course unit via a credit contract is unrestricted: the student takes into consideration the conditions mentioned in ‘Starting Competences’.

Conditions for exam contract

This course unit cannot be taken via an exam contract.

Teaching methods

Guided self-study, lecture

Extra information on the teaching methods

Lecture and self-guided study

Learning materials and price

Course material:
• S4MO_SP: syllabus
• S4MO_LA: syllabus

Learning platform:
• Additional material distributed through the digital learning environment

References

Course content-related study coaching

Consultation hour

Evaluation methods

end-of-term evaluation

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the first examination period

Oral examination

Examination methods in case of periodic evaluation during the second examination period

Oral examination

Examination methods in case of permanent evaluation

Possibilities of retake in case of permanent evaluation

not applicable

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Extra information on the examination methods

Oral exam (50%)
S4MO_SP (50%)
S4MO_LA (50%)
Second session: same
To pass this course, you achieve an average of 10 and your minimum score for neither of the two parts is lower than 8/20.

If you achieve a minimum of 10/20 for one of the two parts, you do not have to take that part again in case of a second examination period.

Calculation of the examination mark
See heading explanatory note on evaluation methods.

Facilities for Working Students
Can be requested from the learning traject counsellor.

Addendum
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