



# Alabama Community College System

## SPA 101 Introductory Spanish I

### **I. SPA 101 Introductory Spanish I—4 Semester Hours**

### **II. Course Description**

This course provides an introduction to Spanish. Topics include the development of basic communication skills and the acquisition of basic knowledge of the cultures of Spanish-speaking areas.

### **III. Prerequisite**

As required by program

### **IV. Textbook**

Due to the varied selection of quality college-level textbooks, each college will select the textbook needed to meet the requirements of this course.

### **V. Course Learning Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of the course, the student will demonstrate the following outcomes:

1. Communicate short messages orally on highly predictable, everyday topics that affect them directly.
2. Write simple messages on highly predictable, everyday topics using formulaic information.
3. Comprehend and respond to simple questions, statements, and high-frequency commands in both oral and written forms.
4. Read and comprehend key words, cognates, and formulaic phrases across a range of highly contextualized texts.
5. Describe customs, lifestyles, and environments of Spanish-speaking areas.

### **VI. Course Outline of Topics**

1. Pronunciation
2. Vocabulary
3. Grammar
4. Culture

## **VII. Evaluation and Assessment**

Grades will be given based upon A = 90 – 100%, B = 80 – 89%, C = 70 – 79%, D = 60 – 69%, and F = below 60%.

## **VIII. Attendance**

Students are expected to attend all classes for which they are registered. Students who are unable to attend class regularly, regardless of the reason or circumstance, should withdraw from that class before poor attendance interferes with the student's ability to achieve the objectives required in the course. Withdrawal from class can affect eligibility for federal financial aid.

## **IX. Statement on Discrimination/Harassment**

It is the official policy of the Alabama Community College System and entities under its control, including all Colleges, that no person shall be discriminated against on the basis of any impermissible criterion or characteristic, including, without limitation, race, color, national origin, religion, marital status, disability, sex, age, or any other protected class as defined by federal and state law. (ACCS Policies 601.02 and 800.00)

## **X. Americans with Disabilities**

*The Rehabilitation Act* of 1973 (Section 504) and the *Americans with Disabilities Act* of 1990 state that qualified students with disabilities who meet the essential functions and academic requirements are entitled to reasonable accommodations. It is the student's responsibility to provide appropriate disability documentation to the College.