Online Spanish Courses for Heritage Speakers
- NEW at Carleton University

Did you complete elementary school in a Spanish-speaking country before immigrating to Canada? Do you speak Spanish at home, but have never studied Spanish in a formal setting? Do you think mostly in English and have difficulty expressing ideas in Spanish? Would you say “aplico por una posición” for “apply for a position”, or “tuve un buen tiempo” for “I had a good time”? Would you like to build up literacy skills and practice academic writing in your heritage language?

If your answer is YES to any or all of the above, then these courses are for you!

Enjoy the flexibility of online asynchronous courses and the benefit of earning university credits!

Spanish for Heritage Speakers I (SPAN 4015, Fall 2015) is intended for students who have attained Spanish language proficiency in informal settings. It is aimed at formalizing grammar awareness, enhancing literacy skills, and developing existing language abilities in a formal academic setting.

Spanish for Heritage Speakers II (SPAN 4025, Winter 2016) is designed as a continuation of SPAN 4015, for students who have begun to develop existing Spanish language abilities in a formal academic setting. The objective of this course is to enhance students’ written expression, while building on advanced knowledge of Spanish grammar and vocabulary. Prerequisite: C+ or higher in SPAN 4015.

In these courses students will:

- watch videos and play linguistic games online
- read articles about the different Hispanic communities in Canada, and short literary texts mostly by Hispanic Canadian authors
- study spelling, grammar, and vocabulary
- write diary and blog entries, formal and informal letters, résumés, short biographies, summaries, and reviews
- interview a Hispanic Canadian.

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