

Academic Bulletin for Jaén, Spain 2023-24

Introduction

The Academic Bulletin is the CSU International Programs (IP) “catalog” and provides academic information about the program in Jaén, Spain.

CSU IP participants must read this publication in conjunction with the *Academic Guide for CSU IP Participants* (also known as the “*Academic Guide*”). The *Academic Guide* contains academic policies which will be applied to all IP participants while abroad. Topics include but are not limited to CSU Registration, Enrollment Requirements, Minimum/Maximum Unit Load in a Semester, Attendance, Examinations, Assignment of Grades, Grading Symbols, Credit/No Credit Option, Course Withdrawals, and other policies. The *Academic Guide* also contains information on academic planning, how courses get credited to your degree, and the academic reporting process including when to expect your academic report at the end of your studies abroad.

To access the *Academic Guide*, go to our [website](#) and click the year which pertains to your study abroad period. For general information about the Jaén, Spain Program, refer to the CSU IP website under “[Programs](#)”.

General Program Information

CSU IP in Jaén, Spain is affiliated with the [University of Jaén](#).

The “Language and Culture Program (referred to as the “Hispanic Studies Program” at the University of Jaén) provides students with the opportunity to make rapid progress in learning Spanish. Students also develop a deeper understanding of the country and culture of Spain.

The academic year at University of Jaén consists of the fall semester (September to December) and the spring semester (January to June). Students may begin their studies in the fall as academic year students, or in the fall or spring as single-semester students.

Both academic year and single semester students who begin their studies in the spring participate in a mandatory three-week pre-semester intensive Spanish language course. This intensive course begins in January and is counted as part of the spring semester. For single semester students who start in the fall, there is no pre-semester intensive course offered.

Academic Program

Students in this program take a prescribed set of courses. Below is the academic schedule in Jaén, Spain for academic year and single semester students.

Academic-year and single semester students who begin their studies in the fall enroll in the following courses:

Semester 1 Fall Semester (September to end December)

Spanish Language (SLL 101, 102, 201, 202 or 204)	3
Spanish Grammar and Vocabulary (SLL 103 or 203)	3
Spanish Conversation (SLL 105 or 205)	3
Spanish for Academic Purposes (SLL 110 or 210)	3
Intercultural Communication (COM 390)	<u>3</u>
Total units:	15

Academic-year students take the following courses in the spring:

Semester 2 Spring Semester (late January to June)

Spanish Language (SLL 102, 201, 202, 204, 301) (intensive course)	3
Spanish Language (SLL 201, 202, 204, 301 or 302)	3
Elective 1	3
Elective 2	3
Elective 3	3
Total units:	15

Elective Courses Offered in Spring

ECN 310 The Spanish Economy in the European Union
SLL 350 Contemporary Spanish Literature
SSC 325 Healthcare and Welfare in Spain
SSC 376 Spanish Popular Culture after 1975
SSC 375 Spanish Society

*Academic year students who have achieved advanced Spanish language proficiency may be able to take one *Facultad* course through a regular university department in their second semester (subject to course prerequisites and availability). Since the academic year for regular university courses do not end until the end of July (after the Learn Spanish program has ended), students who have been granted permission to enroll in *Facultad* courses must not plan their departure until after that time. Academic year students who have not achieved B-1 level of Spanish language proficiency have the option of taking SLL 205, SLL 203, or SLL 210 to replace up to two elective courses.

Single semester students who start in the spring semester enroll in the following courses:

Spring Semester (January to June)

Required courses:

Spanish Language (SLL 101, 102, 201, 202, 204 or 301) (intensive course)	3
Spanish Language (SLL 102, 201, 202, 204, 301 or 302)	3
Intercultural Communication (COM 390)	3
Spanish Grammar and Vocabulary (SLL 103 or 203)*	3
Spanish Conversation (SLL 105 or 205)*	3
Total units:	15

*Spring semester students who have achieved B-1 level of Spanish language proficiency after they have successfully completed the intensive pre-semester course may substitute Spanish Grammar and Vocabulary (SLL 103 or 203) and/or Spanish Conversation (SLL 105/205) with electives from the list above. Those students with advanced Spanish language proficiency may be able to take one *Facultad* course through a regular university department (subject to course prerequisites and availability). Students who have not achieved B-1 level of Spanish language proficiency have the option of taking Spanish for Academic Purposes (SLL 110 or 210) in substitution of either Spanish Grammar and Vocabulary (SLL 103 or 203) or Spanish Conversation (SLL 105/205).

All students in this program will take an online placement exam before the orientation week. Test results will determine placement in SLL 101, SLL 102, SLL 201, SLL 202 or SLL 204, SLL 103 or SLL 203, SLL 105 or SLL 205 and SLL 110 or SLL 210.

Grading and Units

Below is the grade conversion that is used to convert grades earned at the University of Jaén (UJA) to the CSU.

UJA Grade	CSU Grade
9.5-10	A
9.0-9.4	A-
8.0-8.9	B+
7.5-7.9	B
7.0-7.4	B-
6.0-6.9	C+
5.0-5.9	C
4.5-4.9	C-
4.0-4.4	D+
3.5-3.9	D
Below 3.5	F
No Presentado (NP)	WU

The CSU grade of WU (Withdrawal Unauthorized) may be given in some circumstances, e.g., for uncompleted courses. Students are required to attend final exams. In cases when student does not take the final exam for a course, students will be assigned a NP (No Presentado) which equates to a WU (Withdrawal Unauthorized) at the CSU. Refer to the *Academic Guide* for additional grade information.

Unit Conversion Guidelines

The University of Jaén uses the ECTS system. Each ECTS credit has a value of 0.5 CSU unit. Six ECTS credits equals three CSU semester units. To convert the value of CSU semester units into CSU quarter units, multiply the CSU semester units by 1.5.

Course Information

Students take a prescribed set of courses. Students will be given an online language placement test before the orientation to determine enrollment in the appropriate Spanish courses. In Semester 2, students take two Spanish language courses and three electives.

Course Coding:

100-299 Lower Division

300-499 Upper Division

COM Communications

ECN Economics

HUM Humanities

SLL Spanish Language and Literature

SSC Social Sciences

SLL 101 Elementary Spanish I (3)

Study of elementary Spanish grammar, vocabulary, and pronunciation for students with no or little background in Spanish. Students practice listening, reading, writing, and speaking.

SLL 102 Elementary Spanish II (3)

Review and practice of elementary Spanish grammar, vocabulary, and pronunciation. Continuation of study in grammar and further practice in listening, reading, writing, and speaking.

SLL 103 Spanish Grammar and Vocabulary I (3)

This course is intended to provide a sound basis in basic issues in the study and expansion of Spanish vocabulary and grammar from a descriptive perspective.

SLL 105 Spanish Conversation I (3)

The objective of this course is to develop speaking and listening strategies, vocabulary, and pronunciation to improve the speaking skills of students. Oral activities will permit them to acquire confidence and ease in daily Spanish conversations.

SLL 110 Spanish for Academic Purposes I (3)

The purpose of this course is to provide students with linguistic structures, speaking strategies and writing practice to be able to engage in an academic discourse with some linguistic support.

SLL 201 Intermediate Spanish I (3)

Review of elementary Spanish grammar and vocabulary. Continuation of study in grammar and further practice in reading, writing, and conversation. Intended for students with two semesters of previous Spanish or equivalent.

SLL 202 Intermediate Spanish II (3)

Continuation of SLL 201. Further progress in Spanish grammar and vocabulary. Continuation of study and practice in reading, writing, and conversation. Intended for students with three semesters of previous Spanish or equivalent.

SLL 203 Spanish Grammar and Vocabulary II (3)

This course is intended to provide a sound basis in basic issues in the study and expansion of Spanish vocabulary and grammar from a descriptive perspective.

SLL 204 Spanish for Heritage Students

The purpose of this course is to prepare students to engage formal discourse in academic, social,

or professional situations. The course will provide a general review of Spanish grammar and vocabulary with special focus on improving students' pronunciation and developing vocabulary and writing skills.

SLL 205 Spanish Conversation II (3)

The objective of this course is to place students in situations of daily Spanish conversation. It will provide students the opportunity to practice their spoken Spanish through oral exercises that will permit students to acquire confidence and ease in speaking.

SLL 210 Spanish for Academic Purposes II (3)

The purpose of this course is to prepare students to study at the university. The course provides the vocabulary, speaking and writing practice necessary to engage in academic discourse in a Spanish environment.

COM 390 Intercultural Communication (3)

This course examines the theories, concepts and practices of intercultural communication and cultural adjustment. Students will explore the relationship between communication and culture, factors which influence intercultural interactions and learn to respond to cultural misunderstandings and conflicts. (Taught primarily in English and progressively switching into Spanish.)

SLL 301 Advanced Spanish I (3)

Continuation of SLL 202. This course focuses on vocabulary development and use of advanced grammatical constructions.

SLL 302 Advanced Spanish II (3)

Continuation of SLL 301. Study of advanced grammar includes readings for comprehension of complex passages and translations as well as oral reports and written compositions. (Offered Spring only).

Below is a list of electives courses offered in spring semester. All courses are taught in Spanish and aimed towards students who have achieved B-1 Spanish language proficiency. All courses are three units each.

ECN 310 The Spanish Economy in the European Union (3)

The course introduces the basic elements of the Spanish economy. It will also explore Spain's development within the European Union.

SLL 350 Contemporary Spanish Literature (3)

Introduction to contemporary Spanish literature through reading of a variety of texts. It will cover Spanish modernism and the generation of 98 and the generation of 27 concluding with current Spanish Literature.

SSC 325 Healthcare and Welfare in Spain (3)

The aim of the course is to provide students with a generic view of the most important aspects of the Spanish healthcare system and some specific diseases of interest. Students will learn not only individual communicative competences but also cultural and social knowledge within the Hispanic world required to conduct the best practical development in the Spanish Health System. This course provides students with specific health vocabulary and typical linguistic structures.

SSC 375 Spanish Society (3)

This introduction to Spanish society after 1898 will cover historical aspects including the Spanish Civil War. It will also look at social aspects such as the role of women, linguistic diversity in Spain, the family and education in Spain.

SSC 376 Spanish Popular Culture after 1975 (3)

This course will present the student with many facets of Spain. This will include cinema, music, the arts as well as social developments. The course will use newspapers, magazines, movies, television, and the internet.

University Courses: *Facultad* Courses

The University of Jaén offers 48 bachelor's degrees (4 years) and 48 master's degrees, besides a set of 15 international degrees. Year-long students who have reached the required level of Spanish language (B1 or above) may be able to take one *facultad* course from a university department in their second semester. These can be any regular university course offered by any of the following faculties at the Campus of Jaén (subject to prerequisites and availability).

ENGINEERING

- BA Degree in Computer Engineering
- BA Degree in Electrical Engineering
- BA Degree in Industrial Electronic Engineering
- BA Degree in Geomatics and Surveying Engineering
- BA Degree in Industrial Organization Engineering
- BA Degree in Mechanical Engineering
- Double BA Degree in Electrical Engineering and Industrial Electronic Engineering
- Double BA Degree in Electrical Engineering and Mechanical Engineering
- Double BA Degree in Industrial Electronic Engineering and Mechanical Engineering
- Double BA Degree in Mechanical Engineering and Industrial Organization Engineering

EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCES

- BA Degree in Biology
- BA Degree in Chemistry
- BA Degree in Environmental Sciences

HEALTH SCIENCES

- BA Degree in Nursing
- BA Degree in Physiotherapy
- BA Degree in Psychology
- Double BA Degree in Nursing and Physiotherapy

HUMANITIES AND EDUCATION

- BA Degree in Archaeology
- BA Degree in Art History
- BA Degree in Childhood Education
- BA Degree in English Studies
- BA Degree in Geography and History
- BA Degree in Social Education
- BA Degree in Spanish Philology
- BA Degree in Primary Education

SOCIAL AND LEGAL SCIENCES

- BA Degree in Business Administration and Management (Courses taught in Spanish or English)
- (Spanish/English)
- BA Degree in Finance and Accounting
- BA Degree in Labor Relations and Human Resources
- BA Degree in Law
- BA Degree in Public Administration Management
- BA Degree in Statistics and Business
- BA Degree in Social Work
- BA Degree in Tourism
- Double BA Degree in Business Administration and Management and Law
- Double BA Degree in Business Administration and Finance and Accounting

- Double BA Degree in Business Administration
- Management and Law

For additional information refer to the [International Guide for International Students](#). You can also find information about the University of Jaén's tutoring program for international students, including orientation in English at <http://www.ujaen.es/serv/vicint/> or email Alicia Arjonilla (csustudents@ujaen.es).

For questions about CSU IP academic policies or academic program requirements, email IPacademics@calstate.edu.