

## Academic Bulletin for Jaén, Spain 2018-19 and 2019-20

### Introduction

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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 year abroad.

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

### Academic Program Information

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CSU IP in Jaén, Spain is affiliated with the University of Jaén (<http://www10.ujaen.es/>).

This is a “Learn Spanish” program (referred to as the “Hispanic Studies Program” at the University of Jaén) which provides students with the opportunity to make rapid progress in learning Spanish as well as provide them with a deeper understanding of the country and culture of Spain.

During the academic year, students attend three terms which includes a course in January, which is considered part of the spring semester.

### Learn Spanish Program

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Below is the academic schedule for the year in Jaén, Spain:

#### Semester 1 Fall Semester (early September to late December)

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

#### Semester 2 Spring Semester (late January to June)

Spanish Language (SLL 201, SLL 202 or SLL 301 (January course)	3
Spanish Language (SLL 202, SLL 301 or SLL 302)	3
Elective	3
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Total units:	15

In Semester 1, placement in 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 in the first semester will be based on the results of a placement test which will be given during the orientation week.

After the winter break in late December and early January, students enroll in an intensive Spanish course (SLL 201, SLL 202 or SLL 301) which is required for all students.

Students who have achieved advanced Spanish language proficiency and have made sufficient academic progress in their first semester of study may be able to take one course in the *Facultad* in Semester 2 (subject to course prerequisites and availability). Since the academic year for regular university courses do not end until the end of June (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.

## Grading and Units

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

UJ Grade	CSU Grade
9.5-10/ M. Honor	A
Sobresaliente 9.0-9.4	A-
Notable 8.0-8.9	B+
Notable 7.5-7.9	B
Notable 7.0-7.4	B-
Aprobado 6.5-6.9	C+
Aprobado 6.0-6.4	C
Aprobado 5.5-5.9	C-
Aprobado 5.0-5.4	D
Suspenso 0-4.9	F

The CSU grade of WU (Withdrawal Unauthorized) may be given in some circumstances, e.g. for uncompleted courses. 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

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In Semester 1, students take a prescribed set of courses. Student will be given a language placement test during 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  
SLL Spanish Language and Literature  
SSC Social Sciences

### 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. Taken in Semester 1.

### 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. Taken in Semester 1.

### 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 an academic discourse with some linguistic support. Taken in Semester 1.

### 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. Taken in Semester 1 or in January as an intensive course.

**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. Taken in Semester 1, in January as an intensive course or in Semester 2.

**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.

Below is a list of electives courses offered in Semester 2. Students selected three courses from the list below. All courses are taught in Spanish.

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

This course will provide an introduction to the basic elements of the Spanish economy. It will also explore Spain's development within the European Union.

**SLL 320 Spanish for Health Sciences (3)**

The objective of this course is to prepare students with the required linguistic and communicative competences to manage health care situations. This course provides students with specific health vocabulary and typical linguistic structures.

**SLL 350 Contemporary Spanish Literature (3)**

Introduction to contemporary Spanish literature through reading of a variety of texts. It will cover Spanish

**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. Taken in January as an intensive course or during Spring Semester.

**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).

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**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***

Students who have made sufficient progress as demonstrated by performance on a placement examination may be able to take one course in the *Facultad* in the Spring semester. These can be any regular university course offered at the University subject to prerequisites and availability. You can find information about the University of Jaén's tutoring program for international students, including orientation in English at < (<http://www.ujaen.es/serv/vicint/>) >. At this address, you will also find additional information on courses.

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