

Norwood Public Schools

Spanish 5 Honors Curriculum Overview

Description (including primary objective and outcomes):

[This course is designed as an alternative to Advanced Placement for students who wish to continue the study of Spanish. The course will continue to improve students' proficiency in the four skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing, as well as deepen their cultural understanding of the Hispanic world. There will be an emphasis on improving listening comprehension using authentic materials such as films, as well as extensive speaking practice. Readings will include newspaper and magazine articles as well as literary selections. Attention will also be given to improvement in writing. Emphasis will be on composition and conversation. Summer work is required and includes reading, writing, and the preparation of an oral presentation.]

Learning Experiences:

[Viewing and Listening of authentic feature length and short films in the target language, Summarizing of Movies, Actions and Characters, Interpreting content and change outcomes, Matching of Movie Synopsis and Movie Posters for the Pop Culture Experience, Making their own Movie Poster, Oral Presentations Hands-on activities, games, songs, group/partner work, role-plays, dialogues, language lab and computer lab use, online forums; video and audio projects.]

Content Outline:

For Love or Country	Cuba / Freedom
Motorcycle Diaries	South America and Basic Human Rights
Ernesto Che Guevarra	Revolution and Social Rebels
Like Water For Chocolate	Mexico /New Races /Traditions / Family Dynamics & Forbidden Love
Camila	Argentina / Love / Freedom /Politics & the role of religion in history
Marcelino Bread and Wine	18 th Century Spain / Innocence / Faith
Butterfly	19 th Century Spain/ The atrocities of War
La Historia Oficial	Chile and Argentina/ Dictatorship and the Dirty War

Resources Used:

[All films listed above, newspaper clipping, magazine articles, poems, songs, as well as book excerpts. The first 3 chapters of the book Marcelino Bread and Wine, Video Streaming and Discovery Education Resources, Online Grammar Practice Websites such as conjugemos.com, quia, quizlet, Learning through Pop Culture is Zachary-Jones site Zambombazo.]

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