

GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR PLACEMENT IN SPANISH CLASSES

[Student Instructors: Important Placement Information for Fall 2006. Please read to all sections of Spanish 101, 102, 105, 106, 205 and 206.]

We welcome you to the Spanish language program at BYU and hope you have a successful experience with us. Here is some information to help place you in the correct Spanish course:

We have recently redesigned our curriculum to address the needs of students planning either 1) to complete a GE requirement in Spanish, or 2) to complete a major or minor in Spanish.

We have converted our 101-102 sequence to a Pass/Fail-only grading rule beginning in Fall 2006. The new Spanish 101-102 is designed specifically for students with no previous Spanish study. However, students who have had only one year of high school Spanish may enroll in the new pass/fail Spanish 101/102 Accelerated course. Also, we have designed a new 105-106 course for students who have had two or three years of high school Spanish, which will be followed by a new 205-206 sequence. The 205 course will fulfill the “Languages of Learning” GE requirement.

So, which class should I take?

If you are . . .

- A native speaker, **Spanish 321**
- A returned missionary from a Spanish-speaking mission, **Spanish 321**
- A returned missionary from a U.S. Spanish-speaking mission, but you have spoken Spanish only partially on your mission, *and . . .*
 - If you had 1 or 2 years of High School, scored *above* the 200-level course range on the BYU S-CAPE placement exam, and you feel confident about your language skills, **Spanish 321**.
 - If you had no Spanish experience prior to your mission, scored in the 200-level class range on the BYU S-CAPE placement exam, and you don’t feel confident at all, **Spanish 206** with permission of instructor.
- A returned missionary from a Romance language-speaking mission (French, Italian, Portuguese, Catalan, etc.) with **NO** previous experience in Spanish, take **Spanish 101-102 Accelerated**.

If you have had . . .

- 2 or 3 years of High School Spanish, **Spanish 105 or 105-106 Accelerated**
- 3 or 4 years of High School Spanish, **Spanish 205 or 205-206 Accelerated**

Also note that...

- Spanish 101-102 comprise a single course, divided into two semesters (102 is *NOT* a starting point!)
- Spanish 101-102 is for those with **NO** previous experience in Spanish or any other language
- Spanish 102 is the class for those who have had Spanish 101 with the textbook *¡HÁBLAME!* at BYU, and **ONLY** for those.

The results of the Spanish Placement Test (S-CAPE), which evaluates grammar, vocabulary and reading skills, can also be helpful when considered with the amount and quality of your prior language experience. They are as follows:

- 0 - 99 go to Spanish 101
- 100 - 249 go to Spanish 101-102 Accelerated
- 250 - 349 go to Spanish 105
- 350 - 399 go to Spanish 105-106 Accelerated
- 400 - 449 go to Spanish 205
- 450 - 499 go to 206
- 500 and above go to Spanish 321

High School Spanish Two years or Spanish 101-102 P/F →	Spanish 105-106 →	Spanish 205-206 → (205 is the “Languages of Learning” GE course)	Spanish 321, etc.
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NB: If you need or want additional focus on conversational skills, add 111R and 112R, as well as 311R.