

# Community Language Institute

The following lists provide potential content to be covered in the Spanish Community Classes at the Community Language Institute. If you have previously studied Spanish, use the grammar topics lists to determine which level you should enter. Our classes are designed to accommodate people with a range of proficiency. If you have any questions about your placement, please consult with your instructor.

Grammar Topics	
Beginning Spanish	Intermediate Spanish
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Present tense verbs (including stem changers and irregulars)</li> <li>• Gender and agreement of adjectives</li> <li>• Telling time</li> <li>• Forming questions</li> <li>• The present progressive (e.g. <i>estoy comiendo</i>)</li> <li>• Direct object pronouns (e.g., <i>la mando</i>)</li> <li>• The preterite tense (of irregular &amp; irregular verbs)</li> <li>• Indirect object pronouns (e.g. <i>me, te, le, nos, etc.</i>)</li> <li>• Demonstrative adjectives and pronouns (e.g., <i>ese, esta, etc.</i>)</li> <li>• Reflexive verbs</li> <li>• Indefinite and negative expressions</li> <li>• <i>Gustar</i> and similar verbs</li> <li>• Double object pronouns</li> <li>• Comparatives and superlatives</li> <li>• The imperfect tense</li> <li>• Contrasting the use of the preterite and imperfect</li> <li>• <i>Por vs. para</i></li> <li>• Informal commands</li> <li>• Formal commands</li> <li>• Several uses of the present subjunctive</li> <li>• The present perfect tense (e.g., <i>he comido</i>)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The present tense</li> <li>• Uses of <i>ser vs. estar</i></li> <li>• <i>Gustar</i> and similar verbs</li> <li>• The preterite and imperfect (uses and conjugations)</li> <li>• The present subjunctive in noun clauses</li> <li>• Object pronouns</li> <li>• Commands</li> <li>• The present subjunctive in adjective clauses</li> <li>• Reflexive verbs</li> <li>• <i>Por vs. para</i></li> <li>• The future</li> <li>• The conditional</li> <li>• Relative pronouns</li> <li>• The present subjunctive in adverbial clauses</li> <li>• The past subjunctive</li> <li>• Comparatives and superlatives</li> <li>• The present perfect</li> <li>• The present perfect subjunctive</li> <li>• Uses of <i>se</i></li> <li>• The past perfect</li> <li>• The past perfect subjunctive</li> <li>• Uses of the infinitive</li> <li>• The future perfect</li> <li>• The conditional perfect</li> <li>• <i>Si</i> clauses</li> </ul>



<b>Vocabulary Themes</b>	
<b>Beginning Spanish</b>	<b>Intermediate Spanish</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Greeting and farewells</li><li>• The university and courses of study</li><li>• Family relationships</li><li>• Professions</li><li>• Places in the city</li><li>• Taking trips</li><li>• Weather</li><li>• Numbers 0-100</li><li>• Numbers 101 and higher</li><li>• Shopping</li><li>• Clothing and colors</li><li>• Daily routine and personal hygiene</li><li>• Foods and meals</li><li>• Celebrations</li><li>• Personal relationships</li><li>• Health and medical conditions</li><li>• Parts of the body</li><li>• Computers and electronic products</li><li>• Cars and their parts</li><li>• The rooms in a house, furniture, household chores</li><li>• The environment and conservation</li><li>• City life</li><li>• Fitness, well-being, and nutrition</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Personal relationships</li><li>• The city</li><li>• Giving directions</li><li>• The media and professions in the media</li><li>• Families and relationships</li><li>• Stages of life</li><li>• Personality traits</li><li>• Animals, Nature and Ecology</li><li>• Beliefs, Politics and the Law</li><li>• Professions and the workplace</li><li>• The economy and finance</li><li>• Technology and science</li><li>• Inventions, astronomy and the universe</li><li>• Sports and leisure activities</li></ul>