

¡Bienvenidos al programa de español!

This year, Spanish 1 will be taught from the UC Scout platform, with supplementary online activities. Students must be highly motivated and technology-proficient in order to successfully complete this college-prep course with a passing grade of 70% or higher.

Course Description

UC Scout World Languages are based on the themes of Global Challenges, Beauty and Aesthetics, Families and Communities, Personal and Public Identities, and Contemporary Life and Science and Technology. UC Scout World Languages are standards and proficiency-based, incorporating the 5 C's of Language Acquisition set forth by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages: Communication, Cultures, Connections, Comparisons, and Communities.

The purpose of this Spanish 1 course is for students to acquire basic target language skills in the areas of listening, reading, writing, and speaking. Students develop vocabulary skills through oral and written exercises and learn to create simple sentences. Students gain listening and speaking skills through online activities, audio and video resources, and through personal interactions with teachers and classmates during online, synchronous sessions.

Course Objectives

In this course, students will build beginning language skills, develop understanding of verb tenses, and explore Spanish and Latin American culture. Students will acquire basic target language skills in the areas of listening, reading, writing, and speaking. They will develop vocabulary skills through oral and written exercises, and apply learned vocabulary to be able to express themselves in basic sentences.

Grading

Grading will be performance-based with 60% of the grade reflecting assessments (quizzes, projects, exams) and 40% of the grade reflecting daily assignments. Grading scale below:

<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Performance Level</u>	<u>Coursework & Objectives Mastery</u>
90-100	Outstanding	Consistently completes excellent work and has mastered course objectives
80-89	High	Completes above average work and has mastered most of the course objectives
70-79	Satisfactory	Completes average work and has mastered several of the course objectives
60-69	Needs Improvement	Completes below average work and has mastered a few course objectives
0-59	Unsatisfactory	Completes work that is consistently below the level of acceptance for the course.

Grades will be calculated in UC Scout and posted to Aeries Gradebook. Students and guardians are encouraged to follow Aeries Gradebook to track progress throughout the term.

Attendance and Late Work

Attendance during Distance Learning is based on student participation in online meetings as well as work completion. Given the various circumstances affecting families and students at this time, all reasonable effort will be made to accommodate individual needs for extension of due dates on assignments. Please contact Sra. Salazar as early as possible to discuss such arrangements, as needed. Advance communication is also recommended in the case of planned absences to facilitate student progress while away from the learning environment.

Academic Honesty, Code of Conduct, and Plagiarism

Students are expected to conduct themselves with the highest level of personal and academic integrity at all times when engaged in the Spanish program at Golden Sierra. Respect for self and others is essential for a positive and productive work environment. Students can expect a conversation with Sra. Salazar, and escalating consequences, if found in violation of this basic principle of Student Conduct.

Authentic work is required of each individual student. If authorship is ever in question, students can expect a zero grade on the assignment as well as further disciplinary action, as per Student Handbook. This particularly comes up when using electronic translators, so please make sure to only use sources that provide vocabulary in context for Spanish. See list below for translation resources. Visit Handbook at goldensierra.bomusd.org for detailed policies on Academic Integrity and Conduct.

Resources

The following resources are available to support your success in the Spanish program:

- Canvas Student App: stay on top of course activity in UC Scout by setting notifications to alert you to events/announcements/assignments
- Quizlet App: practice Study Sets in the palm of your hand; build vocabulary with games and digital flashcards, compete with classmates for fun in Spanish {Quizlet join code Spanish 1 2020: <https://quizlet.com/join/2bWyh6xk2>}
- Studyspanish.com: website for Spanish language learners at all levels; many lessons with self assessments to test knowledge on key concepts in Spanish
- Español web page at goldensierra.bomusd.org has many resources, including recommended tools for electronic translation, grammar and culture expansion

Contact

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Office hours available Mondays by appointment.

Contact UC Scout

Support is available Monday through Friday 8-4 pm (PST) excluding holidays.

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For technical support, please email ucscoutclassroom@ucsc.edu.