



UNIVERSIDAD PABLO DE OLAVIDE

Centro de Estudios para Extranjeros

HIS 312E HISTORY OF SPAIN

Spring 2008

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Office hours: Tuesdays, 14.50 – 15.20; Thursday, 14.50 – 15.20 by appointment.

OBJECTIVES

The main goal in this course is to give students an overview of Spain's history and culture, with special emphasis on events that have marked Andalusia more profoundly. On the other hand, we will also be studying and analyzing different trends and phenomena of modern day Spain, along with some traditions that still hold in our time. Field trips, projection of slides and videos, will all be key elements in this course helping the student to have a clearer perception of each period.

CLASS FORMAT

Students will come prepared to class, after working with the assigned pages from the handbook, key questions and other material supplied by the instructor.

There will be a **midterm exam** and a **final exam**. Students will work on articles and books relevant for specific areas of Spanish History assigned by the instructor, and write a **report** on them. This report will be 5-6 pages long, using MS WORD and ARIAL 12 font, and will be double-spaced. Additionally, students will give a short **oral presentation** on their reports. Due dates will be announced. Key elements in class will be original documents from each period, which will be discussed regularly. There is one mandatory visit we must do for this class: the FINE ARTS MUSEUM .

GRADING.

Oral participation is very important, and every student is expected to contribute energetically and courteously. Attendance will be checked daily. The participation grade will take into account the student's initiative and creativity during the different activities scheduled for the course.

The final grade is broken down as follows:

Participation	10%
Oral Presentation	15%
Reports	25%
Midterm	25%
Final Exam	25%

HANDBOOK

Simon Barton: *A History of Spain*. Palgrave Macmillan (2004) - (available at the Campus Copy store)

ADDITIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY

Carr, R.: *Spain: A History*. (ed., 2000).

Constable, O.R.: *Medieval Iberia. Readings from Christian, Muslim, and Jewish Sources*. (ed., 1997).

Cowans, J.: *Early Modern Spain. A Documentary History*. (ed., 2003).

Cowans, J.: *Modern Spain. A Documentary History*. (ed., 2003).

Domínguez Ortiz, A.: *España. Tres milenios de historia*. (2000).

Williams, Mark: *The Story of Spain*. Santana Books (2004)

USEFUL INTERNET SOURCES

<http://papi.upo.es/>

<http://libro.uca.edu>

<http://library.byu.edu/~rdh/eurodocs/spain.html>

<http://vlib.iue.it/hist-spain/periods.html>

http://www.realinstitutoelcano.org/default_eng.asp

WEEK BY WEEK

January 24th

UNIT 1(A) Introduction.

Cultural and geographical diversity. (Introduction pg. xii / xviii)

January 25th

UNIT 1(B) Geography of Spain. (Introduction pg. xii / xviii)

January 29th

UNIT 2 (A) Prehistoric Iberia until Roman rule. (Chap. 1 – pg. 1 / 2) (Chap. 1 – pg. 2 / 3)

January 31st

UNIT 2 (B) the Native cultures (Iberians & Tartessians). (Chap. 1 – pg. 2 / 3) Colonizing civilizations (Celtic Tribes, Phoenicians, Greeks, & Carthaginians). (Chap. 1 – pg. 4 / 6)

February 7th

UNIT 3 Roman Hispania. (Chap. 1 – pg. 6 / 12)

February 12th

UNIT 4 Germanic invasions and the Visigoths. (Chap. 1 – pg. 12 / 13 & 13 / 21)

February 14th

UNIT 5 Muslim Al-Andalus. (Chap. 1 – pg. 21 / 25; pg. 25 / 31; pg. 37 / 43; Chap. 2 – pg. 44 / 52 / 63)

February 19th & 21st

UNIT 6 - Medieval Christian Kingdoms. (Chap. 1 – pg. 31 / 36; Chap. 2 – pg. 44 / 88)

February 26th

UNIT 7 - Late Medieval and the Creation of a Modern State. (Chap. 3 – pg. 89 / 102)

March 4th

Midterm Exam.

March 7th Fieldtrip

March 25th

UNIT 8 - The Austrias – 16th Century. (Chap. 3 – pg. 102 / 120)

March 27th

UNIT 9 - The Austrias – 17th Century. (Chap. 3 – pg. 120 / 133)

April 1st

UNIT 10 - 18th Century. (Chap. 4 – pg. 134 / 164)

April 3rd

UNIT 11 - 19th Century Liberalism and Reaction in Spain. (pp.172-209).

April 15th & 17th

UNIT 12 - 20th Century. (Chap. 5 – pg. 202 / 209; Chap. 6 – pg. 210 / 255)

April 22nd, 24th , & 29th - May 6th

UNIT 13 – Modern Spain. 1975-2008

Session 25 – 8 de mayo

Oral Presentations.

Session 26 – 13 de mayo

Final Exam