COURSE: BARCELONA: A MEETING PLACE FOR SPANISH AND LATIN-AMERICAN ARTS I
VIDEOCONFERENCE

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Introduction

The Spanish culture courses by videoconference are spread out over the semester. During this time, the student has access to the study materials, a syllabus of practical exercises, complementary self-learning materials, etc. offered weekly in the Campus Virtual so the students can work with it whenever they want. These materials, alongside synchronous group videoconferences (from Monday to Thursday) or asynchronous depending on the time zones (almost half of the course hours), and individualized tutorials also by videoconference (almost half of the course hours), as well as the use of forums to be in contact with the class group will be the basis of your learning.

The personalized attention, the professionalism of our teachers, the quality of the materials and constant feedback are our guarantee of success.

Course description

The aim of the subject is to trace a path through the history of Spanish narrative prose from the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, taking as a reference: the city, particularly Barcelona and its writers. The course programme also aims to provide information about the writers, their works, literary schools and movements, etc. In the same way, it addresses the study of Latin-American culture through some of its most representative works and their sociocultural and artistic framework. The main objective is to provide the student with knowledge and specific keys to reading, and to promote and develop comprehension and interpretation strategies associated with the Spanish and Latin-American cultural and artistic world.

Methodology

The course starts with a reflection on the history of the Spanish and Latin-American rich, diverse identity. Spanish narrative prose is approached through narrative texts of the main contemporary authors. In turn, each of the topics will be accompanied by audio-visual presentations on the diversity of countries and landscapes, twentieth century paintings, listening to music, poetry and significant excerpts from the literary work of renowned authors.
of our time. In each session, students will be expected to participate actively by asking questions, reflecting on each of the topics, and giving their personal opinions.

**Certification and assessment**

During the course, the student will do continued work through the virtual campus with the materials provided by the teacher. Also, will participate actively in the group videoconferences, the forums and the individualized tutorials, by videoconference too.

To obtain the ECTS credits a final grade will be necessary, based on the following percentages:

30% Continued work through the Campus Virtual
30% Participation in the videoconferences and tutorials
40% Exam or written work

**Programme**

- **Spanish writings**
  - Barcelona publishers and magazines in the last quarter of the nineteenth century and the Spanish writers: Benito Pérez Galdós, Leopoldo Alas “Clarín” and Emilia Pardo Bazán.
  - Spanish writers in the postwar period and Barcelona: Camilo José Cela, Carmen Laforet, Miguel Delibes and Luis Romero.
  - Barcelona and Spanish literature from 1992 to the present.

- **Latin-American writings**
  - A journey in Hispanic America through music born of syncretism between African, European and Native American rhythms. Reading and listening to some of the most representative poems and songs (I).
  - The country of nostalgia and the narrative of exile in the poetic prose of Mario Benedetti.
  - Colours and life based on historical, biographical and artistic testimony of Frida Kahlo's painting.
  - The relationship between literature and film in Hispanic America: from literary text to cinematographic image.

**Bibliography**

**Spanish writings**

Diccionarios de español (Editoriales VOX, RAE o Sopena)

Students have a file containing all the texts that they must read and discuss

**Latin-American writings**


*Culturales en España*, Madrid, Akal.