

NEW SPAN COURSE SEQUENCE IN THE CIVIC & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM

FALL 2019 (Mo We Fr 11:00AM - 11:50AM, The Rotunda-Room 150)

SPAN 3020-001: *Grammar and Composition II- Writing for Social Justice and Change*

Have you ever wondered what kinds of change could you enact with more proficient Spanish writing skills? In this section of SPAN 3020, you will have the opportunity to grapple with advanced grammatical and writing skills while you read and discuss selected works by representative Latin American authors that have used writing as a tool for social justice and change, and by participating in a community engagement project. In this course, in addition to completing 15-18 hours of volunteer work with a local organization in the fields of immigration and education, health, or social work, you will deliberately use advanced grammatical forms to construct meaning and will produce texts in which grammar and meaning interact to lead to effective writing in Spanish

SPRING 2020 (Meeting days/time TBA)

SPAN 3030: *Cultural Conversations- Sí se puede: Community Engagement in Spanish Speaking Charlottesville*

SPAN 3030: Cultural Conversation- Sí se puede: Community Engagement in Spanish-Speaking Charlottesville is the continuation of SPAN 3020-001: *Grammar and Composition II- Writing for Social Justice and Change*. It is Spanish conversation course on the history, and the experiences of the Spanish-speaking population in the USA. In this course, students will continue the community engagement projects that they initiated in the Fall. In class, we will engage in an exploration of the history, contributions, and cultural productions of Spanish-speaking communities and individuals in the USA through a variety of documents (written and oral), and through conversations with leaders in our Latino Community. Throughout the semester, we will also reflect on how language learning is a rewarding and continuous process that allows us to better understand ourselves, to communicate with others, and to construct a more tolerant, and fair world around us.

Both courses will be conducted in Spanish, and the civic & community engagement project will allow students to use their Spanish with the Charlottesville community.

Please note that, as part of the UVA Civic & Community Engagement Program, this is a two-semester course; therefore, students are required to take both courses in the sequence articulated above.

For any questions or further information please contact Prof. Esther Poveda Moreno at mp8yk@virginia.edu.