

**Introduction to Spanish Literature I**

Code: 103547  
ECTS Credits: 6

Degree	Type	Year	Semester
2500248 Spanish Language and Literature	FB	1	1
2501801 Catalan and Spanish	FB	1	1
2501910 English and Spanish	FB	1	1

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### Use of Languages

Principal working language: spanish (spa)  
Some groups entirely in English: No  
Some groups entirely in Catalan: No  
Some groups entirely in Spanish: Yes

### Teachers

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### Prerequisites

This subject requires a command of written and oral expression in Spanish equal to that obtained by a high school graduate. In order to pass the subject, students must demonstrate a correct level of oral and written expression in Spanish. Consequently, spelling mistakes and errors of wording will be penalised by a reduction from the mark awarded.

Obviously, all the practical activities must be original. Plagiarism refers to the process of students attempting to pass off another authors work as their own. The total or partial plagiarism is not allowed. Any kind of plagiarism will be penalised by failing the assessment activity, which will receive a mark of 0.

### Objectives and Contextualisation

"Introduction to Spanish Literature I" is part of the 30 basic training credits of the first year of the Spanish Language and Literature Degree, which the student attends along with other Spanish language subjects and methodology of the study of Spanish Philology. Also, in this first course, students will obtain a further 30 credits of cross-disciplinary basic subjects: Latin, Introduction to linguistics, Comparative Literature, Main Themes of History and Main Themes of Philosophy.

Among the basic training objectives, students are required to acquire a solid and broad-based knowledge of the stages and periodization of Spanish literature, the development of the main genres and authors, through careful reading of selected literary texts. On the other hand, students will apply their acquired specific competences in the realization of speeches, both oral and written, related to the area of Spanish literature by using the methods, concepts and literary theories they have acquired.

The subject aims to offer an overview of Spanish literature from its origins to the seventeenth century. Special attention will be paid to the description and development of the main stages of literature and its literary and

aesthetic currents, focusing on the reading and analysis of some of the fundamental texts of those stages, periods, movements and trends.

## Competences

### Spanish Language and Literature

- Demonstrate knowledge of the history of Spanish and Latin American literature, with special attention to the evolution of genres, movements, trends, trends and styles, and relate them to their historical, artistic and ideological context.
- Master the Spanish language and use and apply the academic and professional self and specific terminology of literary and linguistic studies.
- Master the techniques and methods of literary text analysis and critical analysis of works as a whole and its related disciplines: rhetoric and poetics.
- Students must be capable of applying their knowledge to their work or vocation in a professional way and they should have building arguments and problem resolution skills within their area of study.
- Students must be capable of communicating information, ideas, problems and solutions to both specialised and non-specialised audiences.
- Students must have and understand knowledge of an area of study built on the basis of general secondary education, and while it relies on some advanced textbooks it also includes some aspects coming from the forefront of its field of study.

### Catalan and Spanish

- Demonstrate knowledge of the history of Spanish and Latin American literature, with special attention to the evolution of genres, movements, trends, trends and styles, and relate them to their historical, artistic and ideological context.
- Master the techniques and methods of literary text analysis and critical analysis of works as a whole and its related disciplines: rhetoric and poetics.
- Students can apply the knowledge to their own work or vocation in a professional manner and have the powers generally demonstrated by preparing and defending arguments and solving problems within their area of study.
- Students have the ability to gather and interpret relevant data (normally within their study area) to issue judgments that include reflection on important issues of social, scientific or ethical.
- Students must be capable of communicating information, ideas, problems and solutions to both specialised and non-specialised audiences.
- Students must have and understand knowledge of an area of study built on the basis of general secondary education, and while it relies on some advanced textbooks it also includes some aspects coming from the forefront of its field of study.

### English and Spanish

- Demonstrate knowledge of the history of Spanish and Latin American literature, with special attention to the evolution of genres, movements, trends, trends and styles, and relate them to their historical, artistic and ideological context.
- Master the Spanish language and use and apply the academic and professional self and specific terminology of literary and linguistic studies.
- Master the techniques and methods of literary text analysis and critical analysis of works as a whole and its related disciplines: rhetoric and poetics.
- Students can apply the knowledge to their own work or vocation in a professional manner and have the powers generally demonstrated by preparing and defending arguments and solving problems within their area of study.
- Students must have and understand knowledge of an area of study built on the basis of general secondary education, and while it relies on some advanced textbooks it also includes some aspects coming from the forefront of its field of study.

## Learning Outcomes

1. Analyze complete works of literary production of the Middle Ages and the Golden Age.
2. Apply different analytical tools to several types of literary works.

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4. Argue about several issues and literary problems for the purpose of different works and the assessment of the results.
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6. Comment and medieval literary texts from the Golden Age.
7. Comment on literary texts, apply the acquired tools and take into account the historical and sociocultural context.
8. Commenting on literary texts, applying the acquired tools and taking into account the historical and sociocultural context.
9. Critically interpret literary works take into account the relationships between different areas of literature and its relationships with human, artistic and social areas.
10. Describe and explain generic concepts applied to the major literary works of the Middle Ages and the Golden Age, and its interweaving of tradition and modernity.
11. Identificar i explicar les característiques bàsiques dels textos literaris
12. Identify and explain the basic features of literary texts
13. Identifying and explaining the basic characteristics of literary texts.
14. Interpret and illustrate the main linguistic and literary concepts, and be able to use them.
15. Placed in its historical context the literary production from the Middle Ages to the Golden Age.
16. Recognize the aesthetic characteristics of medieval literature and Spanish Golden Age.

## Content

1. Spanish literature from its origins and until the fifteenth century
  - 1.1. Introduction: Latin and Romance, oral transmission and written transmission, manuscripts and printed texts
  - 1.2. The medieval poetry
    - 1.2.1. Traditional poetry
    - 1.2.2. The troubadours
    - 1.2.3. Narrative poetry: the songs of deed and the «*Cantar de mio Cid*»
    - 1.2.4. Narrative poetry: "el romancero viejo"
    - 1.2.5. Cultured poetry: "mester de clerecía" and "poesía de cancionero"
  - 1.3. The medieval prose
    - 1.3.1. Chronicles and doctrinal prose: Alfonso X
    - 1.3.2. Tales and «*exempla*»
    - 1.3.3. «*La Celestina*»
  - 1.4. The medieval theater
    - 1.4.1. «*Auto de los Reyes Magos*»
    - 1.4.2. Other works of medieval theater
2. Spanish literature of the Renaissance and the Baroque
  - 2.1. Poetry
    - 2.1.1. Renaissance Poetry: Garcilaso de la Vega, Fray Luis de León and San Juan de la Cruz

2.1.2. Baroque Poetry: Lope de Vega, Góngora and Quevedo

2.2. Prose

2.2.1. Didactic prose

2.2.2. Pastoral novel, books of chivalry, sentimental novel and other subgenres

2.2.3. «*Lazarillo*» and the picaresque novel

2.2.4. Cervantes and «*Don Quijote*»

2.3. Theater

2.3.1. The theater before Lope de Vega

2.3.2. Lope de Vega and the new art of making comedies

2.3.3. Calderón de la Barca

Mandatory readings

«Antología de literatura medieval» (provided by the teachers)

Fernando de Rojas, «*La Celestina*»

«Antología de la poesía del Siglo de Oro» (provided by the teachers)

Miguel de Cervantes, «*Don Quijote*»

Lope de Vega, «*El caballero de Olmedo*»

## Methodology

The learning of this subject by the students is distributed as follows:

- Directed activities (35%). These activities are divided into master classes and seminars and classroom practices led by the faculty, in which theoretical explanation is combined with discussion of all types of texts.
- Supervised activities (10%). These tutorials are programmed by the teacher, dedicated to correcting and commenting on problems at different levels of literary analysis.
- Autonomous activities (50%). These activities include both time devoted to individual study and production of papers and analytical comments written, as well as oral presentations.

## Activities

Title	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Type: Directed			
Directed activities	50	2	1, 5, 8, 10, 11, 14, 16, 15
Directed activities	73	2.92	1, 6, 10
Type: Supervised			
Supervised activities	15	0.6	5, 6, 8

## Assessment

In order to pass the subject, students must acquire a knowledge of the subject similar to that stated in the reference manuals. Therefore, it is essential that students complete all mandatory readings.

Their knowledge will be evaluated through two partial exams and a monographic paper.

The two exams will represent 70% of the final grade, given that each of the partial exams will be equivalent to 35% of the grade.

The monographic work will have a weight of 30% in the final grade.

The re-evaluation will consist of an examination of all the subject of the course. In order to qualify for the re-evaluation exam, students must meet two requirements:

1. Having submitted all the evaluable tests (the two exams and the paper).
2. Have obtained, at least, a 3.5 average of the three evaluable tests.

The grade of the re-evaluation exam will make average with the grade of the monographic work.

The monographic work will not have re-evaluation.

The review of the tests will be carried out during an interview with the teacher.

The student who has not performed or submitted any of the three required evaluable activities will be considered as Not Evaluable. The submission of any of the three activities implies the student's will to be evaluated in the subject.

## Assessment Activities

Title	Weighting	Hours	ECTS	Learning Outcomes
Exams	70%	2	0.08	1, 3, 2, 5, 4, 6, 8, 7, 10, 13, 11, 12, 9, 14, 16, 15
Monographic Work	30%	10	0.4	1, 3, 2, 5, 4, 6, 8, 7, 10, 13, 11, 12, 9, 14, 16, 15

## Bibliography

### Mandatory readings

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