

**ACADEMIC PROGRAMS INTERNATIONAL (API)
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SALAMANCA
SPANISH LANGUAGE AND CULTURE PROGRAM
BEGINNING LEVEL**

TOTAL U.S. SEMESTER CREDITS PER SEMESTER (10-17)

TOTAL CONTACT HOURS PER SEMESTER (150-250)

ACTIVITIES FOR COMMUNICATION – 3 U.S. CREDITS; 45 CONTACT HOURS

COURSE THEMES:

This course is a complement to the grammar class at each level. The aim is to practice, through speech, the Spanish language. Students are presented with real-life scenarios and expected to speak, listen and respond in group and individual settings. This enables students to apply their “book knowledge” to real-life use. The class is designed to improve a students’ ability to express him/herself in Spanish through the following means:

- Practicing colloquial expressions
- Practicing vocabulary usage
- Reading texts and debating them (themes: customs, TV, violence, bullfights, art, ecology, etc.)
- Taking dictation
- Practicing listening comprehension (songs, narrations, etc.)
- Writing compositions
- Participating in a group oral presentation
- Practicing reading comprehension