

**Hagerstown Community College**  
**OFFICIAL COURSE SYLLABUS DOCUMENT**

**COURSE:** SPN 203—Spanish Conversation and Culture, 3 Credits

**INSTRUCTOR:**

**SEMESTER/YEAR:**

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** This course focuses on active conversation and comprehension, applying skills learned at the intermediate level. The methodology is total immersion. Students discuss films, cultural captions and short readings on everyday situations taken from the Hispanic world. Total of 45 hours of lecture.

**TEXTBOOK:** Aparisi, Blanco, Rinka, **Revista: Conversación sin barreras**, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. (Vista Higher Learning:2007)

**STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:** By the end of the semester the students will

1. Be able to understand most of what they hear in Spanish spoken by native speakers speaking at normal speed from a variety of countries
2. Read all types of written material (short stories, jokes, essays, etc.) efficiently in Spanish
3. Use Spanish in most everyday situations without even minimal recourse to English
4. Gain a broader understanding of Hispanic culture (literary, historical, demographic, etc.)
5. Gain insight into their own culture and language

**GENERAL EDUCATION OUTCOMES:**

1. Evaluate important artistic, cultural, philosophical, historical, and religious movements from a global perspective.
2. Understand the impact of diverse groups of people in and on the arts and humanities.