

## O Spanish: Advanced Conversation

The class is conducted entirely in Spanish with an emphasis on active participation.

A typical lesson includes the following:

- Greetings, "small talk"
- A quick game
- Current events
- Summary of the weekly reading
- A video clip about the topic, if available, or photos that prompt commentary
- Exchange of opinions related to the reading
- Spanish songs, popular sayings related to the novel's themes, quotes from experts / celebrities

Topics are selected from the following broad categories as they relate to Spanish speakers from around the globe:

- THE ARTS
- HISTORY
- SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
- HEALTH AND WELL-BEING
- LANGUAGE AND CULTURE
- SOCIETY
- CURRENT EVENTS AND TRENDS
- TRAVEL AND ADVENTURE
- MODERN DILEMMAS

### SAMPLE TOPICS FROM FALL 2023:

Assassination of presidential candidate in Ecuador, two weeks before the first round of voting

Soccer – The Spanish women's team defeats England to win the World Cup – the changing world of women's sports

Fernando Botero – a retrospective on his life and art after his death at 91  
Why is he considered one of the top ten artists in the world?

Subtle forms of discrimination against Latino immigrants, in the U.S. and in the Spanish-speaking world: how to recognize discrimination