

Hispanic Language, Culture, and Civilization
Language Courses

Spanish Pronunciation: Beginner Level

SUMMER 2024

HyFlex:

Onsite (XJTLU-SIP Campus), Online, and Hybrid Attendance

PARTICIPANTS

Any Spanish learner who wants to learn Spanish pronunciation basics or improve their pronunciation.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is addressed to anyone interested in learning Spanish pronunciation. The program of this course is adapted to Chinese learners of Spanish, starting from the basic Spanish units of pronunciation and transitioning to broader pronunciation features such as rhythm and intonation.

LANGUAGES

English

Spanish (examples and exercises)

HOURS / DATES

20 hours.

July 1-12, 2024; Monday to Friday from 10:00 to 12:00.

COURSE DELIVERY

This course is designed to support a diverse range of learning needs, preferences, or circumstances by offering a **Hybrid Flexible (HyFlex)** mode of delivery. The HyFlex model provides students with the flexibility to choose how they wish to participate in the course:

- **Onsite Attendance:** Students can attend the sessions in person at the designated classroom on our XJTLU-SIP campus.
- **Online Synchronous Attendance:** Students can join the onsite classroom sessions in real time through a designated learning platform.
- **Hybrid Attendance:** Students have the freedom to switch between onsite and online synchronous attendance as needed throughout the course.





STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the end of this course, students will:

- a. Identify the pronunciation of the basic units of Spanish and distinguish the most problematic sounds for Chinese learners of Spanish (e.g., p-b, t-d, k-g, r-l).
- b. Spell and syllabify (divide into syllables) Spanish words.
- c. Recognize and use the Spanish accent marks to facilitate reading Spanish words.
- d. Modulate the different types of sentences in Spanish.
- e. Use the emphasis, tone, pauses, and resyllabification when pronouncing basic sentences in Spanish.
- f. Demonstrate improvement in Spanish pronunciation in controlled situations.

METHODOLOGY

Through a wide range of dynamic and engaging activities and games, students will identify the speech organs' positions to produce Spanish sounds, practice their pronunciation and develop an awareness of Spanish accentuation, rhythm, and intonation. Activities will favor pairs and small groups' work to stimulate participative and cooperative learning. Extra learning materials will be given to students who want to further their pronunciation practice and knowledge.

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

- S1. Spanish sounds: vowels and consonants I.
- S2. Spanish sounds: vowels and consonants II.
- S3. Pronunciation of "ere", "erre" and "ele."
- S4. Spelling and minimal pairs.
- S5. Syllables and syllabification.
- S6. Diphthongs, hiatus, and triphthongs.
- S7. Spanish accent marks.
- S8. Intonation: affirmative, exclamative and interrogative sentences. Emphasis, tone, and pauses.
- S9. Resyllabification.
- S10. Review and pronunciation games.

CERTIFICATE

Students will receive a certificate of achievement if they complete a portfolio with activities about the course content and attend 80% of the scheduled sessions.

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TEACHING TEAM



Ms. Elena Jiménez Lago

Born in Madrid (Spain), Ms. Elena Jiménez Lago has taught Spanish as a Foreign Language in China for seven years at Soochow University and Xi'an-Jiaotong-Liverpool University. Her experience includes teaching language, culture, and pronunciation courses to Chinese learners of Spanish.

Ms. Lujia Li

Currently pursuing a Ph.D. while teaching at Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University, Ms. Lujia Li holds a master's degree in research on the Spanish language at the *Universidad Autónoma de Madrid* (Spain). Her extensive educational background includes training in teaching Spanish pronunciation to Chinese speakers.



Mr. F. Javier González Manzano

Mr. F. Javier González Manzano has been a teacher of Spanish as a Foreign Language in different institutions such as universities, colleges, and language schools in Spain, Japan, and China. He is currently a Spanish Lecturer at Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University since February 2022.

He has extensive experience teaching general Spanish and Spanish speaking and pronunciation courses, as well as grading Spanish proficiency tests. Moreover, he has a proven track record of preparing students for public speaking, and during his time in Japan, he successfully coached many students to victory in the "oratory in Spanish" national competition.

FEES

1,990 RMB

Discounts:

- Current XJTLU and University of Liverpool students: -40% (1,194 RMB)
- XJTLU staff and family/partners: -40% (1,194 RMB)
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- Former students of any of the XJTLU Spanish Extended Learning Programs: -20% (1,592 RMB)
- Early Bird Registration (until April 30th): -10% (1,791 RMB)

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TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS (ONLY FOR ONLINE ATTENDANCE)

Hardware requirements:

- Laptop or desktop computer.
- Webcam.
- Microphone/headset. There are no specific requirements regarding microphones, but it is recommended to use a headset to increase the sound quality and minimize the background noise.

Other requirements:

- Current operating system (e.g., Windows 10, Mac OS X 10.7).
- Up-to-date internet browser (e.g., *Chrome, Firefox, Safari*).
- Stable internet connection. DSL or Broadband access is recommended.
- Tencent Meeting*. The virtual classrooms will be hosted in the *Tencent* video conferencing environment. To increase the user experience, it is recommended to download and install *Tencent Meeting* on your computer (<https://meeting.tencent.com/download/>).

CONTACT

- If you have questions about the registration process, please contact our course administrator at Zhen.Zhang@xjtlu.edu.cn
- If you have any general questions about this course, please contact SPA.ExtendedLearning@xjtlu.edu.cn

HOW TO APPLY

Important:

- Application deadline: Friday, 21 June 2024.
- Seats are limited to 30 participants. Consequently, if you are interested in this course is strongly recommended that you submit your application and make the payment as early as possible. Please note that your seat will not be reserved until you submit your application, your payment is processed, and you receive an email confirming that you have been admitted into the program.
- If less than 10 participants register, this course might be cancelled (students will be notified by June 24th at the latest, and the reimbursement will be processed soon after).
- Fees will not be reimbursed, except in extreme cases where participants are unable to attend the course due to serious accidents or illness.

Please, scan the QR Code to APPLY NOW:



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