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(SPAN 310) The Structure of Spanish **ñ**

This course is an introduction to central linguistic concepts as applied to the study of the Spanish language. The course starts with an introduction to general notions about language and linguistics, with elements of neuroscience and language adquisition. After that, the structure of Spanish is introduced starting from the sounds (phonetics, phonology), followed by morphemes, and ending in the sentence structure (syntax) and syntactic components (direct object, word order). Specific differences and similarities between Spanish and English are illustrated for the most interesting cases. This course also addresses selected grammatical, lexical, and historical issues, giving an opportunity for students to see the history and the diversity of the Spanish language.

Required textbook:

Hualde, J.I., Olarrea, A., Escobar, A.M. & Travis, C. E. *Introducción a la Lingüística Hispánica*. Cambridge University Press. 2010. 2nd edition