



# *SPR II 2024 Course Descriptions*

*(March 18, 2024- May 10, 2024)*

## **SPAN 1411 Beginning Spanish I**

The study of basic Spanish grammar with the development of frequently used vocabulary. This course develops students' speaking, listening, reading and writing skills so they will be able to express their own ideas and interact with others. Some culture points are integrated to introduce students to the everyday lives of Spanish speakers in the twenty-one countries of the Spanish-speaking world.

## **PSYC 2301 General Psychology**

Survey of the major psychological topics, theories and approaches to the scientific study of behavior and mental processes.

## **GOVT-2305 Federal Government**

Origin and development of the U.S. Constitution, structure and powers of the national government including the legislative, executive, and judicial branches, federalism, political participation, the national election process, public policy, civil liberties and civil rights.

## **ENGL 1301 Composition I**

A study of the principles and techniques of written compositions including sentence structure, paragraph development, and paper organization. Also stresses the development of critical thinking as it applies to the textual analysis of expository prose. Prerequisite: Appropriate placement score or TSI exemption or completion of the appropriate level of Developmental Studies course.

## **SPCH 1315 Public Speaking**

Course encompasses both theory and practice of communicating with others and includes research, composition, organization, and delivery of speeches for various purposes and occasions.

## **CRIJ-1306 Court Systems and Practices**

This course is a study of the court system as it applies to the structures, procedures, practices and sources of law in American courts, using federal and Texas statutes and case law.

## **HIST 1301 United States History I**

A survey of the social, political, economic, cultural, and intellectual history of the United States from the pre-Columbian era to the Civil War/Reconstruction period. United States History I includes the study of pre-Columbian, colonial, revolutionary, early national, slavery and sectionalism, and the Civil War/Reconstruction eras. Themes that may be addressed in United States History I include: American settlement and diversity, American culture, religion, civil and human rights, technological change, economic change, immigration and migration, and creation of the federal government.

## **BUSI 1301 Business Principles**

This course provides a survey of economic systems, forms of business ownership, and considerations for running a business. Students will learn various aspects of business, management, and leadership functions; organizational considerations; and decision-making processes. Financial topics are introduced, including accounting, money and banking, and securities markets. Also included are discussions of business challenges in the legal and regulatory environment, business ethics, social responsibility, and international business.

## **SOCI 1306 Social Problems**

Application of sociological principles and theoretical perspectives to the major problems in contemporary society such as inequality, crime and violence, substance abuse, environmental issues, deviance, or family problems..

## **MATH-1314 College Algebra**

A study of relations and functions, polynomial functions and equations of degree higher than two, exponential and logarithmic functions and equations, matrices, and determinants, sequences and series, the binomial theorem, and mathematical induction. This course satisfies the mathematic requirement in most curricula, except mathematics and engineering. This course meets the college core requirement and is recommended for students planning to transfer to bachelor's degree programs