



PONTIFICIA UNIVERSIDAD CATÓLICA DE VALPARAÍSO
International Program of Student Exchange
Short term programs

Conversation and Chilean Culture (intermediate level)

NAME OF COURSE	Conversation and Chilean Culture (intermediate level)
HOURS	45 contact hours
CREDITS	03
COURSE CODE	PIIE 2245

Course description

The course Conversation and Chilean Culture, intermediate level, integrates language and culture through different types of texts in order to strengthen the total immersion program in which the student is inserted.

Main objective

Improve the student's intercultural communicative competence based on the four linguistic skills: oral and written comprehension and oral and written expression.

Specific objectives

- Develop the skill of expressing thoughts and feelings through oral word.
- Develop the skill of oral comprehension through authentic audiovisual material
- Develop the skill of understanding written texts of medium difficulty level.
- Develop the skill of expressing thoughts and feelings through written word.

Contents

Chile. Sociocultural aspects, commonplaces, stereotypes, generalizations.
Characteristics of the Chilean idiosyncrasy and identity.

Two cities. Viña del Mar- Valparaíso: influence of popular culture of United States.

Chilean movies: *Machuca*. *Historias de fútbol*. *La Nana*. Preselected scenes with subtitles in Spanish

Idioms and expressions commonly used in the Chilean Spanish: sociocultural approach.

Documentaries: sociopolitical history of Chile (last 40 years)

Activities

- Theoretical and expository lessons.
- Individual oral presentations
- Conversation and debates.
- Readings
- Fieldworks

Evaluation

Attendance and participation 10%

2 oral presentations (20% each, 40% in total)

Homework, interaction and participation in fieldworks (20%)

Fieldworks (cultural exploration) + final presentation. (30%)

Bibliography

Programa de las Naciones Unidas para el Desarrollo (PNUD). Desarrollo Humano en Chile 2002. Santiago, Chile, 2002.

Programa de las Naciones Unidas para el Desarrollo (PNUD) Desarrollo Humano en Chile 2010: Género: los desafíos de la igualdad

PIIE's language and culture activities manual.