

Goals: By the end of this elementary-level course, students will acquire basic skills in listening, speaking, reading and writing and develop a basic awareness of the cultures being studied.

Objectives:

SPEAKING

1. Students will acquire the basics of pronunciation, vocabulary, and grammatical structures necessary for the expression of elementary needs and basic courtesy formula.
2. Students will produce vocabulary relevant to the student's own environment and interests and to the culture(s) being studied.

LISTENING

1. Students will acquire vocabulary sufficient to comprehend basic information and expressions relevant to elementary needs and basic courtesy formula.
2. Student will comprehend spoken language in situations where the context aids understanding.

WRITING

1. Students will write meaningful sentences that include idiomatic expressions and reproduce memorized material in a meaningful way.
2. Students will supply basic information (biographical, travel, etc.)
3. Students will write short compositions.

READING

1. Students will develop basic strategies and skills for reading non-technical texts of moderate difficulty.
2. Students will work with a variety of reading materials.

CULTURE

1. Students will begin to be aware of cultural similarities and differences, cultural practices and the relationship between language and cultural identity.
2. Students will acquire some knowledge of the geography of the country/countries being studied.
3. Students will be exposed to cultural realia.