

SPANISH PLACEMENT - WORLD LANGUAGES DEPARTMENT, PALOMAR COLLEGE.

Which group are you in? Which group best describes your experience with Spanish?

GROUP 1

SPANISH FOR HERITAGE SPEAKERS AND NATIVE SPEAKERS

Do you speak Spanish? Are you a Heritage speaker or a Native speaker of Spanish?

For students who have already learned some Spanish through personal experience (e.g., family, home) and speak conversational Spanish or beyond, but have never taken a class in Spanish. Your placement is:

SPAN 211

For students who have already learned some Spanish through personal experience (e.g., family, home) and speak conversational Spanish; AND have taken 3 years of high school Spanish OR third-semester Spanish in college. Your placement is:

SPAN 212 and/or SPAN 235

GROUP 2

SPANISH FOR BEGINNERS, and NON-HERITAGE SPEAKERS of SPANISH

Students who are learning Spanish for the first time, Adult learners of Spanish, Second-language learners of Spanish, Non-native speakers of Spanish. Students who did not speak Spanish in their childhood.

Students who have not taken any college-level course work in Spanish. OR
Students who completed one (1) year of high-school Spanish and earned a C or better.

Your placement is:

SPAN 101

Students who have earned a C or better in first-semester Spanish in college. OR
Students who completed two (2) years of high-school Spanish and earned a C or better.

Your placement is:

SPAN 102

Students who have earned a C or better in second-semester Spanish in college. OR
Students who completed three (3) years of high-school Spanish and earned a C or better.

Your placement is:

SPAN 201

Students who have earned a C or better in third-semester Spanish in college. OR
Students who completed four (4) years of high-school Spanish and earned a C or better.

Your placement is:

SPAN 202 and/or SPAN 235

GROUP 3

ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS

Students who have taken the Advanced Placement (AP) Exam in Spanish and received a score of 3 or higher.

For students who have taken the AP Exam called "Spanish Language and Culture" and earned a score of 3 or higher.
Your placement is:

SPAN 202 or 212; and/or SPAN 235

For students who have taken the AP Exam called "Spanish Literature and Culture" and earned a score of 3 or higher.
Your placement is:

SPAN 235

OTHER:

Have you learned Spanish another way? If a student would like to enroll in a higher-level course than the placement process recommends, the student should contact the department chair.