

## **Capstone RUBRIC** — Spanish Section



|              | Item                  | Very Good / Excellent   | Good / Average   | Poor / Insufficient   |
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| Presentation | Oral Spanish          | Vocabulary: ample & appropriate     Structures: with. few mistakes (verbs)     Fluency: without interruptions & comfortable     pronunciation: clear & understandable   | <ul> <li>Vocabulary: appropriate but with<br/>limitations or mistakes in the meaning</li> <li>Structures: some mistakes but in general<br/>good verbs.</li> <li>Fluency: some hesitations and interruptions</li> <li>pronunciation: in general understandable</li> </ul>               | <ul> <li>Vocabulary: very limited, important interference in communication</li> <li>Structures: wrong use of verbs &amp; repeated mistakes in basic structures</li> <li>Fluency: much hesitation, many interruptions, repetition of expressions</li> <li>pronunciation: consistent mispronunciation, particularly with vowels</li> </ul>            |
|              | Media aid             | <ul> <li>Outstanding design / elaboration / technical quality</li> <li>Superior level of creativity, synthesis, originality</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Good design / elaboration / technical<br/>quality</li> <li>Good level of creativity, synthesis,<br/>originality</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Poor, repetitive, or copy of another design<br/>/ elaboration / insufficient technical quality</li> <li>Lack or poor creativity, synthesis,<br/>originality; mere repetition</li> </ul>  |
|              | Content               | <ul> <li>Perfect focus on the given target (culture, text, film, etc.)</li> <li>Perfect integration of relevant areas of knowledge &amp; methodology</li> <li>Outstanding reasoning &amp; articulation of the argument</li> <li>Outstanding application of theoretical framework</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>focus on the given target (culture, text, film, etc.) but with some deviations</li> <li>Some integration of relevant areas of knowledge &amp; methodology</li> <li>Good reasoning &amp; articulation of the argument</li> <li>Application of theoretical framework</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Lack (or loose) of focus on the given target (culture, text, film, etc.)</li> <li>Insufficient integration of relevant areas of knowledge &amp; methodology</li> <li>Lack of consistency or clarity in the reasoning &amp; articulation of the argument</li> <li>Very poor or lack of application of some theoretical framework</li> </ul> |
|              | Contact with audience | Perfect & permanent contact; audience<br>engaged (not reading at all)   | Good contact; audience en general paying<br>attention (only some recitation)   | <ul> <li>Lack of insufficient contact; audience lost or<br/>bored (recitation or reading)</li> </ul>  |
|              | Other material        | <ul> <li>Excellent invitation, attractive, well elaborated, clear information</li> <li>Excellent handouts, complete, clear, without mistakes</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Good invitation, good features &amp; clear<br/>information</li> <li>Complete handouts, clear, &amp; without or<br/>minor mistakes</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Very poor (or lack) of invitation, insufficient<br/>information, showing no care for the<br/>presentation</li> <li>Poor handouts, incomplete with mistakes</li> </ul>  |
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| Essay | Primary sources          | <ul> <li>All of them appropriate for the topic</li> <li>All the important sources are academic / valid</li> <li>More than 10 artifacts / a novel &amp; additional texts / more than 4 hard data works / four movies / &amp; similar</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Most of them appropriate for the topic</li> <li>Most sources are academic / valid</li> <li>More than 5-10 artifacts / only a novel or five texts (poems, short stories, etc.) / 3-4 hard data works / two movies / &amp; similar</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Most of them inappropriate for the topic</li> <li>Less than four academic sources or not valid</li> <li>Less than 5 artifacts / less than five texts         (poems, short stories, etc.) / less than 3         hard data works / one movie / &amp; similar</li> </ul>   |
|       | Secondary<br>sources     | <ul> <li>All of them relevant to the topic</li> <li>All of them are academic and cover an ample range of areas</li> <li>In the Bibliography more than 10 critical sources &amp; at least 3 theoretical articles</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Most of them relevant to the topic</li> <li>Most of them are academic and cover a good range of areas</li> <li>In the Bibliography more than 6-10 critical sources &amp; 2 theoretical articles</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Few of them relevant to the topic</li> <li>Most of them are not academic and cover a very limited range of areas</li> <li>In the Bibliography less than 6 critical sources &amp; 1 or none theoretical reference</li> </ul>  |
|       | Content                  | <ul> <li>Hypothesis / point: sound foundation, original, very well articulated and relevant</li> <li>Analysis &amp; reasoning: well articulated, consistent developing of ideas following inductive / deductive reasoning</li> <li>Supporting ideas: relevant, consistent, boosting the development of the reasoning</li> <li>Quotations: 5 or more from hard data records, 10 or more from critical sources, &amp; 3 or more from theoretical works.</li> <li>Personal conclusions: based on the premises established in the analysis, original, entails a logic summary of the discussion, persuasively articulated</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Hypothesis / point: original, well articulated and relevant</li> <li>Analysis &amp; reasoning: in general well articulated, good developing of ideas following inductive / deductive reasoning</li> <li>Supporting ideas: consistent, solid support for the reasoning</li> <li>Quotations: 3-4 from hard data records, at least 6 from critical sources, &amp; 2 from theoretical works.</li> <li>Personal conclusions: they follow the analysis, pretty original and are well articulated</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Hypothesis / point: none or confused, vague, inconsistent, not pertinent</li> <li>Analysis &amp; reasoning: very poor, confused, inconsistent, significant lack of logical reasoning, chaotic</li> <li>Supporting ideas: few, not relevant, inconsistent, confuse</li> <li>Quotations: less than 5 from hard data records, less than 6 from critical sources, &amp; only 1 or none from theoretical works.</li> <li>Personal conclusions: inconsistent or irrelevant with the discussion, mere repetition of previous ideas, confusing or vague</li> </ul> |
|       | Format &<br>Bibliography | <ul> <li>Perfect adherence to the MLA format in the<br/>body of the essay</li> <li>Bibliography: MLA format, clear distinctions<br/>of primary sources from secondary sources,<br/>clear identification of other valid sources</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Follows to the MLA format in the body of<br/>the essay (few mistakes)</li> <li>Bibliography: MLA format, in general<br/>distinctions of primary sources from<br/>secondary sources is clear, identification of<br/>other valid sources</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Loose adherence to the MLA format in the<br/>body of the essay</li> <li>Bibliography: MLA format with<br/>inconsistencies, nor distinction of primary<br/>sources from secondary sources, no enough<br/>identification of other valid sources</li> </ul>   |
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| Research | Sources                   | <ul> <li>Relevant to the topic and appropriate for both the presentation &amp; the essay.</li> <li>From a large variety of origins and means (not only articles)</li> <li>Excellent understanding of the material and its pertinence to the topic &amp; development of the research</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Most of the sources are relevant to the topic and appropriate for both the presentation &amp; the essay.</li> <li>From a good variety of origins and means (not only articles)</li> <li>Good understanding of the material and its pertinence to the topic &amp; development of the research</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>A few number of sources are relevant to the topic and appropriate for both the presentation &amp; the essay; chaotic pattern of material</li> <li>From a limited variety of origins and means (not only articles)</li> <li>Poor understanding (or misunderstanding) of the material and its pertinence to the topic &amp; development of the research</li> </ul>   |
|          | Skills                    | <ul> <li>Quick identification of a relevant topic to the course</li> <li>Keep focus deepening on the subject, going from a broad theme to a very specific one</li> <li>Creativity exploring possible sources or collateral areas of research using different means (internet, library, bibliographies, etc.)</li> <li>Willingness of looking for more sources</li> <li>Creativity &amp; acuteness asking questions that develop the research</li> <li>Accuracy applying concepts from secondary sources to primary material</li> <li>Appropriateness applying theoretical framework to the research (following hints/models provided by theoreticians in their essays)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Identification of a relevant topic to the course with some hesitations, or restarting</li> <li>Few deviations from the focus of the research,</li> <li>Good exploration of possible sources or collateral areas of research using different means (internet, library, bibliographies, etc.)</li> <li>Some willingness of looking for more sources</li> <li>Good choosing of good questions that develop the research</li> <li>Good application of concepts from secondary sources to primary material, with some limitations or mistakes</li> <li>In general good application of the theoretical framework to the research</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Lack of identification of a relevant topic to the course</li> <li>Significant hesitations or restarts of the research; superficial searches</li> <li>Limited exploration of sources or collateral areas of research using different means (internet, library, bibliographies, etc.)</li> <li>lack of willingness of looking for more sources</li> <li>Poor or insufficient questions that develop the research</li> <li>Wrong or insufficient applications of concepts from secondary sources</li> <li>Wrong or insufficient application of theoretical framework to the research</li> </ul> |
|          | Consultation with experts | <ul> <li>with librarians on campus: at least 5 times</li> <li>experts (professor) on campus: at least 3</li> <li>with expert out of campus: at least 2</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>with librarians on campus: at least 3 times</li> <li>experts (professor) on campus: at least 2</li> <li>with expert out of campus: at least 1</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>with librarians on campus: less than 2 times</li> <li>experts (professor) on campus: 1 or less</li> <li>with expert out of campus: none</li> </ul>   |
|          | Timely                    | <ul> <li>From the beginning follows the established<br/>schedule. Keep perfect record of all<br/>activities and material produced. Meet all<br/>the deadlines.</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>In general follows the established schedule.</li> <li>Good record of all activities and material produced. Only twice didn't meet the deadlines.</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Repeated failures following the established<br/>schedule. Significant lack of record of the<br/>activities and material produced. More than<br/>three times didn't meet the deadlines.</li> </ul>  |
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