



# FOOTHILL COLLEGE

## Institutional Research and Planning

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RE: SPAN 110 Not Persist to SPAN 111 Student Survey Results

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### Overview

Students who enrolled in SPAN 110 in fall 2016 at Sunnyvale Center, but did not enroll in SPAN 111 in winter 2017 were surveyed to determine their reasons for not continuing with Elementary Spanish Conversation. The online survey was administered on March 8 to March 27, 2017. A total of 14 students were invited to participate in the survey, and 7 completed the survey for a response rate of 50%.

### Reason for Enrolling in SPAN 110, Fall 2016

- 86% (6) of respondents reported they enrolled in SPAN 110 because they wanted educational enrichment. One respondent enrolled to formulate interest, plans or goals.
- No one indicated they enrolled to prepare for new career/job, advance in current career/job, maintain license or certificate or because they needed to enroll in any class.

Table 1: Reason for Enrolling in SPAN 110, Fall 2016

	Respondents	Percent
I wanted educational enrichment	6	86%
I wanted to formulate my interests, plans or goals	1	14%
I wanted to prepare for a new job/career (acquire new skills)	0	0%
I wanted to advance in my current job/career (update skills)	0	0%
I wanted to maintain my license or certificate	0	0%
I needed to enroll in any class and chose SPAN 110	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total	7	100%

### Reason for Not Enrolling in SPAN 111, Winter 2017

- When prompted to provide the reason they did not enroll in SPAN 111 for the winter 2017 term, most responds (43% or 3) indicated the course was offered on a day or time that did not fit with their schedule.
- Other reasons respondents cited include: section was cancelled, preference for a specific instructor, inability to afford class and needed a break from Spanish.

Table 2: Reason for Not Enrolling in SPAN 111, Winter 2017

Complete the following statement: <i>I did not enroll in Elementary Spanish Conversation II at Foothill College in winter 2017 because...</i>	Respondents	Percent
the course was offered on a day or time that did not fit with my schedule.	3	43%
the section I enrolled in was cancelled.	1	14%
I wanted to take the class with a particular instructor and he/she was not teaching SPAN 111.	1	14%
I could not afford this class.	1	14%
I needed to take a break from Spanish courses.	1	14%
I could not find transportation.	0	0%
I do not need SPAN 111 to satisfy a degree, certificate or transfer requirement.	0	0%
Other	0	0%
Total	7	100%

**Interest in SPAN 111 in the Future**

- Respondents are interested in taking SPAN 111 in the future—86% of respondents selected yes or maybe: 43% (3) said “yes”, 43% (3) said “maybe” and 14% (1) said “no.”

**SPAN 111 Scheduling – Location Preference**

- Among the 6 respondents who are interested in SPAN 111, 67% (4) prefer to take the course at *both* Foothill Main and Sunnyvale Center campuses and 33% (2) prefer only Sunnyvale Center.
- No one indicated they prefer only Foothill Main campus.

**SPAN 111 Scheduling – Days and Times of the Week**

The 6 respondents were prompted to provide their scheduling preference for SPAN 111. Respondents had the option of selecting multiple day/time combinations. For this reason, these 6 respondents generated a total of 36 responses.

- The day/time combination that was selected the most (i.e. by 3 respondents) include: Wednesday afternoon, Friday afternoon and Saturday mid-morning. See table 3 for more details.
- Overall, there is preference to take SPAN 111 on...
  - Saturdays (19%), followed by Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays (each 17%).
  - Mid-morning or afternoon (each 36%), followed by evening hours (19%).
  - There is low preference to SPAN 111 in the morning or late afternoon.

Figure 1

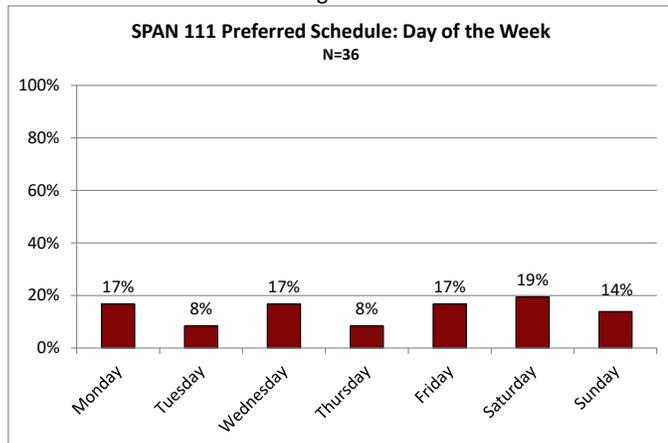


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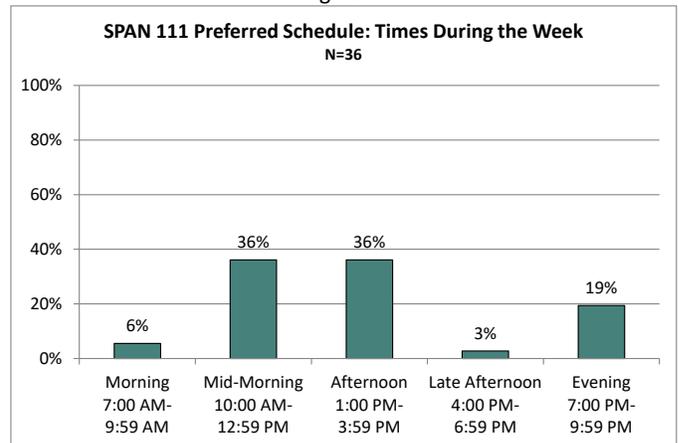


Table 3: SPAN 111 Preferred Scheduling

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Row Total
Morning	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Mid-morning	2	1	2	1	2	3	2	13
Afternoon	2	1	3	1	3	2	1	13
Late afternoon	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Evening	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
Column Total	6	3	6	3	6	7	5	36

### Appendix: SPAN 111 Student Survey

**1. In fall 2016, why did you enroll in *Elementary Spanish Conversation I* (SPAN 110) at Foothill College?**

- I wanted educational enrichment
- I wanted to formulate my interests, plans or goals
- I wanted to prepare for a new job/career (acquire new skills)
- I wanted to advance in my current job/career (update skills)
- I wanted to maintain my license or certificate
- I needed to enroll in any class and chose SPAN 110
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Enrollment records indicate you did not enroll in *Elementary Spanish Conversation II* (SPAN 111). Please complete the following statement: I did not enroll in *Elementary Spanish Conversation II* at Foothill College in winter 2017 because...**

- the section I enrolled in was cancelled.
- the course was offered on a day or time that did not fit with my schedule.
- I wanted to take the class with a particular instructor and he/she was not teaching SPAN 111.
- I could not afford this class.
- I could not find transportation.
- I needed to take a break from Spanish courses.
- I do not need SPAN 111 to satisfy a degree, certificate or transfer requirement.
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Are you interested in taking *Elementary Spanish Conversation II* (SPAN 111) at Foothill College in the future?**

- Yes
- Maybe
- No

If your response to question 3 was “Yes” or “Maybe,” then complete questions 4 and 5.

**4. Which campus do you prefer to take *Elementary Spanish II* (SPAN 111) classes?**

- I prefer only Foothill Main (Los Altos Hills, CA)
- I prefer only Sunnyvale Center (Sunnyvale, CA)
- I prefer both Foothill Main and Sunnyvale Center campuses

5. When would you like to take *Elementary Spanish II (SPAN 111)* classes? Mark all that apply.

Note: Use the following hours to guide your answer selection:

Morning	7:00 AM-9:59 AM
Mid-Morning	10:00 AM-12:59 PM
Afternoon	1:00 PM-3:59 PM
Late Afternoon	4:00 PM-6:59 PM
Evening	7:00 PM-9:59 PM

**Monday**

- Morning
- Mid-Morning
- Afternoon
- Late Afternoon
- Evening

**Friday**

- Morning
- Mid-Morning
- Afternoon
- Late Afternoon
- Evening

**Tuesday**

- Morning
- Mid-Morning
- Afternoon
- Late Afternoon
- Evening

**Saturday**

- Morning
- Mid-Morning
- Afternoon
- Late Afternoon
- Evening

**Wednesday**

- Morning
- Mid-Morning
- Afternoons
- Late Afternoon
- Evening

**Sunday**

- Morning
- Mid-Morning
- Afternoon
- Late Afternoon
- Evening

**Thursday**

- Morning
- Mid-Morning
- Afternoon
- Late Afternoon
- Evening

[end of survey]