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## ABSTRACT

This booklet describes a course of instruction on the theory of Spanish shorthand. Topics discussed include course description; course enrollment guidelines; course content; suggested procedures, strategies, and learning activities; evaluative instruments, and resources for students and teachers. An appendix contains a Spanish business vocabulary, brief forms and a key, and Spanish shorthand phrases. (SK)

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- I. COURSE TITLE -SPANISH SHORTHAND -THEORY
- II. COURSE NUMBERS-7707.12, 7505.41, or 7509.79

### III. COURSE DESCRIPTION

- A. Synopsis
  Integration of English shorthand skills with Spanish shorthand characters; emphasis on Spanish brief forms, phrases, and abbreviations.
- B. Status

  Elective; may be used for Business Education, Foreign Language, or ESL credit.
- C. Textbook
  A book written in Spanish should be used. None is available
  on the state adopted list; the school will need to purchase a
  book such as the one listed in "Resources for Students."

A Student's Transcript should also be furnished each student.

D. Occupational Relationships
Bilingual Typists
Bilingual Receptionists
Bilingual Office Clerks
Bilingual Secretary, Junior

# IV. COURSE ENROLLMENT GUIDELINES

- A. Prior Experiences Needed

  The student should have attained the objectives of Shorthand
  Dictation, Shorthand Basic Transcription, and a third level
  course in Spanish prior to enrollment in this course.
- B. Pretest
- V. COURSE OF STUDY PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to-

- 1. spell phonetically the words using the Spanish alphabet; emphasis should be given to the sounds of vowels and consonants of Spanish language;
- 2. distinguish between the phonetic accent and diacritic marks in words accented in the last, second from last, and third from last syllables: "agudas," "llanas," and "esdrujulas";
- 3. spell correctly given dictated Spanish words and use them correctly in Spanish sentences;
- 4. divide English and Spanish words correctly at the ends of lines;



# V. COURSE OF STUDY PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES, Continued

- 5. write Spanish shorthand brief forms and give the meaning of them in English;
- 6. write abbreviations and endings used in Spanish shorthand;
- 7. identify by underscoring all Spanish prefixes and suffixes in given sentences;
- 8. write in Spanish shorthand a given number of the most common phrases dictated at 8-second intervals;
- 9. read and write accurately Spanish shorthand outlines; and
- 10. transcribe at the typewriter from shorthand material dictated in Spanish at 60 words a minute for three minutes using correct Spanish form.

#### VI. COURSE CONTENT

- A. Equipment and Supplies
  - 1. Basic
    - a. For each student
      - (1) Desk adjustable in height with ample writing surface
      - (2) Chair with book rack, suitable for typing posture
      - (3) Typewriter
      - (4) Textbook and key
      - (5) Shorthand notebook (2)
      - (6) Paper for transcription
      - (7) Pens
    - b. Chalkboard--chalk
    - c. Stopwatch, 60-second single sweep, silent stop
    - d. Interval timer with bell
    - e. Manual
    - f. Brief form wall chart
  - 2. Supplementary
    - a. Wall posture chart
    - b. Hand position chart
    - c. Overhead projector with roll attachment, and shorthand transparencies
    - d. Pens for acetate writing
    - e. Screen
    - f. Tape recorders and cassette units with headsets (or multi-channel stations)
    - g. Instructional magnetic tapes, correlated with the lesson materials
    - h. Filmstrip projector
- B. Pre-Shorthand Activities
  - 1. Arrangement of work area
  - 2. Readiness attitude



# VI. COURSE CONTENT, Continued

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  - 1. Posture
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    - b. Correct position of writing pad in relation to body
  - 2. Stroking
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- D. Fundamental Skills
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    - b. Blending of consonants
    - c. Blending of vowels
    - d. Rules for rapid writing of strokes
    - e. Rules for ending
    - f. Rules for prefixes
    - g. Rules for phrasing
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    - b. Sound of "n"
    - c. Mute "h"
    - d. Blending of "m" and "\bar{n}"
    - e. Omission of final "o" when it is not accented
    - f. The sound of "hie" and "ye"
    - g. Gerund endings: "ando," "endo," "iendo"
    - h. Verb endings: "amos," "emos," "imos," "aron," "ieron," "yeron"
    - i. Verb endings "aba," and "abamos"
    - j. Verb forms: future indicative "are"; potential mood
      "arias," "aria"
    - k. Enclitics: "ndoselos," "indonosla," "andotelo," "andomela"
    - 1. Omission of vowels in word endings
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# VII. SUGGESTED PROCEDURES, STRATEGIES, AND LEARNING ACTIVITIES

# A. Suggested Teaching Methods

The theory of Spanish shorthand is contained in the first 40 lessons of the textbook, <u>Taquigrafia Gregg</u>, <u>Primer Curso</u> (see Resources for Students). The remaining twelve lessons will provide a general review of words, phrases, brief forms and their derivatives, and graduated readings.

It is strongly recommended that students complete one textbook lesson a day during the first two to four weeks of the course to establish a pattern and an understanding of the different sounds in the Spanish writing of shorthand. Other lessons should be inserted as soon as the students are able to think, recognize the sounds, and write in Spanish shorthand. Wone of the lessons should be skipped even though they resemble the English shorthand lessons. Students need this background in vocabulary and skill.

The first lessons will be more difficult for students because they will have a tendency to spell and write the sound in English shorthand. If it is not possible to include all of the last 12 lessons, tell the students that they will be reviewed in the early part of the next quinmester course.

# 1. Using the chalkboard

Because students enrolled in this course have already attained the objectives of courses offered in English shorthand, they will be tempted to look only for the differences in writing. Therefore, at the beginning of the course emphasis should be placed on Spanish phonics. The teacher should spell the letters used in Spanish shorthand and write the characters on the board.

After the students have heard the spelling of the word in Spanish sounds, allow a few seconds for them to write the word just written on the board.



## 2. Timing of activities

The activities should be varied and done with a purpose.

a. This important part of learning should not take more than 5 or 7 minutes of each class period. If the students have followed the outlined procedure of spelling from the beginning they will be well acquainted with the Spanish shorthand writing and will be able to add to their skills without translating the sound or the word. The students should practice each word 2 or 3 times, or enough to master the mechanics of its writing.

- b. Division of time allowed in class will vary daily.
  - (1) unison reading
  - (2) individual reading
  - (3) dictation from graduated readings
  - (4) reading back notes from shorthand notes without the aid of the book

# 3. Assigning daily activities

It is strongly suggested that the students be aware of the importance of preparing themselves for the next class in order to write the shorthand outlines without hesitation. Inasmuch as the material to be covered does not permit a prolonged period of time for one lesson, the students are urged to read the graduated readings at home, and to write them once or twice.

# B. Warm-up Drills

To recognize the sound of each of the 29 letters of the Spanish alphabet and to encourage the students to read the sound in Spanish letters to enable them to increase their skills in writing sounds.

#### TYPE OF DRILL

#### PROCEDURE

1. Alphabetic drills

The students will read isolated letters written in longhand until all letters of the alphabet have been introduced.

#### 2. Word drills

The teacher should demonstrate at the board the writing of new words and the sound of each letter used in writing a particular word in the following types of drills:

a. Consecutive drill

Students should be instructed to write each word a few times or as many times as it is necessary for them to be able to write and read back each word without hesitation.



### TYPE OF DRILL

#### PROCEDURE

b. Spelling drill

Give the proper name of each Spanish letter; for example, the letter "m" should be spelled "eme."

- 3. Noun endings
  To help students familiarize themselves with one of the many
  ways by which they will attain ease and speed in writing.
  - a. Omission of vowels

Students should practice different words that apply to the omission of the letter "o" when it is not accented at the end of a word.

b. Other vowel omissions

The same technique used in English shorthand is to be applied in learning the noun endings: as, "cial," "ción."

c. Similar endings

The student will find many endings that are written almost the same way in both languages, but the teacher should stress the importance of sounding each word in Spanish and writing the word in Spanish sounds.

- 4. Verb endings
  To reinforce knowledge of verb endings in the three conjugations: "ar," "er," and "ir" endings, and to equip them with a shortcut in writing the long Spanish verb endings.
  - a. Present tense endings

Endings "amos," "emos," and "imos" should be continuously practiced by the students because verb endings are a great stumbling block for nonnatives and for users of poor grammar.

b. Future indicative

The ending "are" and its plural, as well as endings for second and third conjugations, should be identified and learned after the students have understood the rule and following the teacher's writing on the board.

#### TYPE OF DRILL

#### PROCEDURE

c. Past imperfect

Endings "aba," and "ioamos" should be distinguished from words spelled similarly in Spanish but that do not constitute endings.

d. Verb lists

The learner should take a few minutes each day to practice the long verb endings in Spanish. A chart containing the different endings should be utilized by each student.

e. Enclitics

Once the student has learned the rules for adding variable object pronouns to personal pronouns, the teacher should dictate a number of enclitics from outside material. The textbook does not offer enough practice in these exercises for the training of bilingual stenographers if their rather limited background in business vocabulary is considered.

- 5. Brief forms
  Next to the verb endings, brief forms constitute the key
  to building speed in writing the most common words in the
  Spanish language.
  - a. Spelling of brief forms

The teacher should introduce the brief forms by spelling them with the alphabetic sound of each letter; that is, use a vowel to accompany the consonant in question. For example, "inmediato" should be spelled "i," "eme," "a," "te." The students need to spell in this manner; they can write the brief form several times until it is clear to them.

b. List of brief forms

The student should make a list of all new orief forms introduced in the textbook. This will stress the fact that it is important matter. It provides a review every time they add to the list.

c. Dictation in context

Simple sentences using the new brief forms should be given to the students with the introduction of new brief forms.

#### TYPE OF DRILL

#### PROCEDURE

- d. Reading of material \*Ample practice should be allowed for students to read material containing brief forms. This reading should be assigned as home assignments inasmuch as a class period is not enough for the mastering of these shortcuts in writing shorthand.
- 6. Word derivatives
  Helps students enhance their speed in writing and serves as
  a review of words that use a brief form as part of the words.
  - a. List of words

    These practices should be kept to a minimum inasmuch as the new theory in the Diamond Jubilee Spanish Shorthand emphasizes less copying and more dictation of words
    - in the context of a paragraph.
  - b. Writing outlines Paragraph material should be copied once or twice at home, and more time should be devoted to the dictation of practiced material.

# VIII. EVALUATIVE INSTRUMENTS

#### A. Pretest

The student will be tested on his skills in English Shorthand and on his background in the Spanish language. The student will:

- translate into the English language a letter typed in Spanish;
- 2. transcribe a letter dictated in English at 70 words a minute for 3 minutes, using a given letter style; and
- 3. write, and spell correctly in English, words dictated in Spanish.

#### B. Final Evaluation

This evaluation should encompass all of the performance objectives in this course. A suggested test on each part, with its respective key, is located in the Appendix. The student will be tested at the completion of this course on these major parts:

- 1. Spanish business vocabulary
- 2. Theory on word derivatives, suffixes, and prefixes
- 3. Brief forms
- 4. Spanish shorthand phrases
- 5. Dictation and transcription



#### IX. RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS

#### A. Books

- Ferrari C., Ada Maivis; González E., Debora María; Barrera Elvira Ruth; y Macia, Matilde. <u>Técnica Mecanografica</u>, <u>Segunda Edicion</u>. Publicado por South-Western Publishing Co., Cincinnati.
- Gregg, John Robert, y Haelsig, Otto. <u>Taquigrafia Gregg, Primer Curso</u>. Edicion Diamante. Libros McGraw-Hill de México, S.A., de C.V., 1969.
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- Revilla, Santiago. Gramática Española Moderna. Teoría y Ejercicios. McGraw-Hill Inc., España, 1968.

## B. Newspapers

Diario de las Américas. Miami, Florida. Daily.

# X. RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS

#### A. Books

- Gregg, John Robert, y Haelsig, Otto H. Manual del Instructor <u>Taquigrafía Gregg, Primer Curso</u>. Edición Diamante. Libros McGraw-Hill de México, S.A. de C.V., 1969.
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- Gregg, John Robert, y Haelsig, Otto. Clave de la Taquigrafía Gregg, Primer Carso. Edición Diamante. Libros McGraw-hill de México, S.A., de C.V., 1969. (Teacher editions, keys, and handbooks available)

# B. Supplementary Book

Alexander, Robert J. Latin America, A Scholastic World Affairs

Multi-Text. New York: Scholastic Book Services, Division
of Scholastic Magazines, Inc., 1967.



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    - Company. "Business Education South of the Border." Vol. 50, Number 5, March-April, 1970.
    - Business Education World. Gregg Division of McGraw-Hill Book Company. "Bilingual Education for Office Occupations," by Maxine Emery. Vol. 51, Number 3, January-February, 1970.
    - Business Teacher. Gregg Division of McGraw-Hill Book Company.
      "The Systems Approach in Office Practice" by Fred C.
      Archer. Vol. 46, Number 3, January-February, 1969.
    - Business Teacher. Gregg Division of McGraw-Hill Book Company.
      "New Era in Filing Practice," by Jeffrey Robert Stewart,
      Jr., Vol. 46, Number 4, March-April, 1969.
    - The Balance Sheet. Cincinnati: South-Western Publishing Co. Monthly, October through May.



APPENDIX

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# SPANISH BUSINESS VOCABULARY

The students will write in longhand the following list of terms. Proper spelling and diacritical marks, when needed, are to be used.

- l. afectisimos
- 2. conocimiento de embarque
- 3. herramientas
- 4. fabrica
- 5. registros
- 6. agente
- 7. de veras
- δ. consignatario
- 9. incurrir
- 10. rehusaria
- 11. quedare muy agradecido
- 12. suscripción
- 13. mercancia
- 14. cotizar
- 15. ojala
- 16. folleto
  - 17. consiguiente
  - lô. innecesario
  - 19. excursión
  - 20. eficaz
  - 21. facilmente
  - 22. gerente
  - 23. sirvanse
  - 24. anuncios
  - 25. sugerencias



# THEORY

Dictate the following words at six-second intervals.

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1.	facilmente	26.	Brasil
2.	exhibición	27.	abril
3.	ocasion	28.	diciembre
4.	completamente	29.	miercoles
5•	deberiamos	30. 1	Montevideo
6.	suceso	31.	periodico
7.	concedemos	. 32.	grandioso
8.	hago, algo, agosto	33. 1	normalmente
9•	insuperable	34.	ferrocarrilero
10.	habia	35•	tambień
11.	viajantes	36.	tiempo
12.	tampoco	37.	lepositar
13.	adquirir	38. (	lebajo
14.	denunciar	39• 3	pienso
15.	observacion	40.	envolver
16.	ordenar	41.	eminencia
17.	gobernar	42.	inmundo
18.	alimento	43• r	namey
19.	documento	44• r	niembro
20.	idea	45• (	lurmiendo
21.	linea	46.	reciente
22.	administración	47.	posible
23.	adyacente	48 <b>.</b> :	fuisteis
24.	diccionario	49• €	anga "

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# BRIEF FORMS

Dictate	the	following	brief	forms	at	six-second	interwale
	DIXC	TOTTOMINE	DITOI	TOTHE	بابت	シェアージをこうけび	THILELVAILS.

- l. bien (
- 2. compania -
- 3. carta
- 4. hora 🥧
- 5. nuestro \_\_
- 6. nosotros
- 7. mejor \_\_\_\_
- 8. trabajo
- 9. cuando
- 10. cual ~
- 11. parecer (
- 12. nada —
- 13. mercancia
- 14. importante, \_\_\_\_\_
- 15. agradeceré
- 16. fué
- 17. correcto
- lo. doctor, durante
- 19. oficina 2
- 20. encontrar
- 21. palabra
- 22. surtir
- 23. acordar
- 24. despacho, después
- 25. oportuno, oportunidad &

- 26. necesario, necesidad \_\_\_
- 27. referencia -
- 28. momento \_\_\_\_
- 29. regla
- 30. progreso (
- 31. probable G
- 32. correspondencia
- 33. responsable
- 34. satisfactorio, satisfaccion
- 35. inmediato
- 36. objeto 🗸
- 37. publico
- 38. reclamar
- 39. organizar \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
- 40. todavia /
- 41. favor <u></u>
- 42. agradecer o
- 43. verdad /
- 44. oferta 2
- 45. posición 4
- 46. cantidad
- 47. embarcar \_\_\_\_\_
- 48. tonelada
- 49. cumplir
- 50. etcetera



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Dictate	the following Spanish business phrases at eight-second intervals.	
1.	estimados señores	•
2.	estimados señores y amigos 9	
• 3.	muy estimados amigos	
4.	estimados señores nuestros y amigos 9	•
5•	me suscribo de Ud., atento y seguro servidor	
6.	muy estimado amigo nuestro	
7•	quedo de Ud., atento amigo y seguro servidor	~~
8.	muy estimados señores y amigos	
9.	nos repetimos de Ud., atentos amigos y seguros servidores — 7	6
10.	muy atentamente	~
11.	somos de Uds., afectisimos atentos y seguros servidores 2-32	5°2
12.	seguros servidores y amigos	
13.	muy senor nuestro ————————————————————————————————————	
14.	muy senores nuestros	
15.	los siguientes	
16.	puesto que	
17.	los cuales	
18.	despues del	•
19.	en la cantidad de	-
20.	en la seguridad de que	
21.	antes de que la	
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