# **Cover Sheet: Request 14143**

# SPN4850 - Introduction to the Structure of Spanish

#### Info

Process	Course Modify Ugrad/Pro
Status	Pending at PV - University Curriculum Committee (UCC)
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Description of	Requesting to change the title of SPN4850 to better reflect the content of the course, and to avoid
request	confusion with other departmental requirements.

## **Actions**

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course, and to avoid confusion with other departmental requirements.

Submitter: Gillian Lord-Ward glord@ufl.edu

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# Responses

#### **Current Prefix**

Enter the current three letter code (e.g., POS, ATR, ENC).

Response:

SPN

#### Course Level

Select the current one digit code preceding the course number that indicates the course level at which the course is taught (e.g., 1=freshman, 2=sophomore, etc.).

Response:

4

#### Number

Enter the current three digit code indicating the specific content of the course based on the SCNS taxonomy and course equivalency profiles.

Response:

850

#### Lab Code

Enter the current lab code. This code indicates whether the course is lecture only (None), lab only (L), or a combined lecture and lab (C).

Response:

None

#### **Course Title**

Enter the current title of the course as it appears in the Academic Catalog.

Response:

Introduction to the Structure of Spanish

### **Effective Term**

Select the requested term that the course change(s) will first be implemented. Selecting "Earliest" will allow the change to be effective in the earliest term after SCNS approval. If a specific term and year are selected, this should reflect the department's expectations. Courses cannot be changed retroactively, and therefore the actual

effective term cannot be prior to SCNS approval, which must be obtained prior to the first day of classes for the effective term. SCNS approval typically requires at least 6 weeks after approval of the course change at UF.
Response: Earliest Available
<b>Effective Year</b> Select the requested year that the course change will first be implemented. See preceding item for further information.
Response: Earliest Available
<b>Requested Action</b> Indicate whether the change is for termination of the course or any other change. If the latter is selected, all of the following items must be completed for any requested change.
Response: Other (selecting this option opens additional form fields below)
Change Course Prefix?
Response: No
Change Course Level?  Note that a change in course level requires submission of a course syllabus.
Response: No
Change Course Number?
Response: No
Change Lab Code?  Note that a change in lab code requires submission of a course syllabus.
Response: No

Change Course Title?
Response: Yes
Current Course Title
Response: Introduction to the Structure of Spanish
Proposed Course Title
Response: Introduction to Spanish Syntax
Change Transcript Title?
Response: Yes
Proposed Transcript Title (21 char. max)
Response: Intro Span Syntax
Change Credit Hours?  Note that a change in credit hours requires submission of a course syllabus.
Response: No
Change Variable Credit?  Note that a change in variable credit status requires submission of a course syllabus.
Response: No
Change S/U Only?

Response:

No
Change Contact Type?
Response: No
Change Rotating Topic Designation?
Response: No
Change Repeatable Credit?  Note that a change in repeatable credit status requires submission of a course syllabus.
Response: No
Maximum Repeatable Credits  Enter the maximum credits a student may accrue by repeating this course.
Response: 3
Change Course Description?  Note that a change in course description requires submission of a course syllabus.
Response: No
Change Prerequisites?

Response: No

# **Change Co-requisites?**

Response:

#### Rationale

Please explain the rationale for the requested change.

#### Response

The title of this course was initiated decades ago, before the department offered a large variety of linguistics courses. However the content of the course is (and has been for at least the past 2 decades) is basically Spanish syntax. In consultation with the Department of Linguistics, we would like to change the title of the course to better reflect its content, as well as to avoid confusion among students in the LIN department. As Eric Potsdam, chair of Linguistics, notes in an email: "This course affects Linguistics specifically because our graduate program has a requirement that MA/PhD students take a course on the Structure of a Language (LIN 6571). That course for other languages is a more comprehensive tour of the language's grammar (phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, pragmatics, etc.). Changing the title of your course would prevent students from thinking Structure of Spanish is appropriate for this requirement and would also avoid students being surprised that they've signed up for a syntax class." Although his request is for the graduate level course only, the problem with the content is the same at both levels, so for parity we are requesting changes to both graduate and undergraduate course titles.