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Oral Exam Preparation and Resources Beyond the Classroom

Peer Learning Workshop Series

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About Us

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Major(s): Graphic Design, Spanish,
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Hobbies: Reading, Video Games,
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Language(s): Spanish and (some)
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Laney Hoggatt

Hometown: Fayetteville, AR

Majors: Spanish and Spanish Education

Hobbies: Reading, outdoor activities,
spending time with family, and binge-
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Language(s): Spanish, Italian (some)

Belinda Watson

Hometown: Pittsburgh, PA

Major(s): English Literature and
Spanish

Hobbies: Cooking, Watching TV,
Walking, Reading, Music

Language(s): Spanish

ORAL EXAM PREPARATION

Tips for before and during your exam

BEFORE THE EXAM

- Start studying a week ahead if possible
 - Divide your questions by the amount of days you have until the exam
 - Try to be in a relaxed headspace when you study
- If you have or need accommodations, don't forget to ask for them!
- Study in a way that is catered to how you learn information best
 - Visual learners sketch out your responses
 - Auditory learners practice responding out loud or with a partner
- Think smarter not harder
 - Use vocab you are comfortable with
 - It is okay to make things up
 - Generalize vocabulary
- Highlight key words and phrases from the question list
- Go through the questions out of order to be prepared

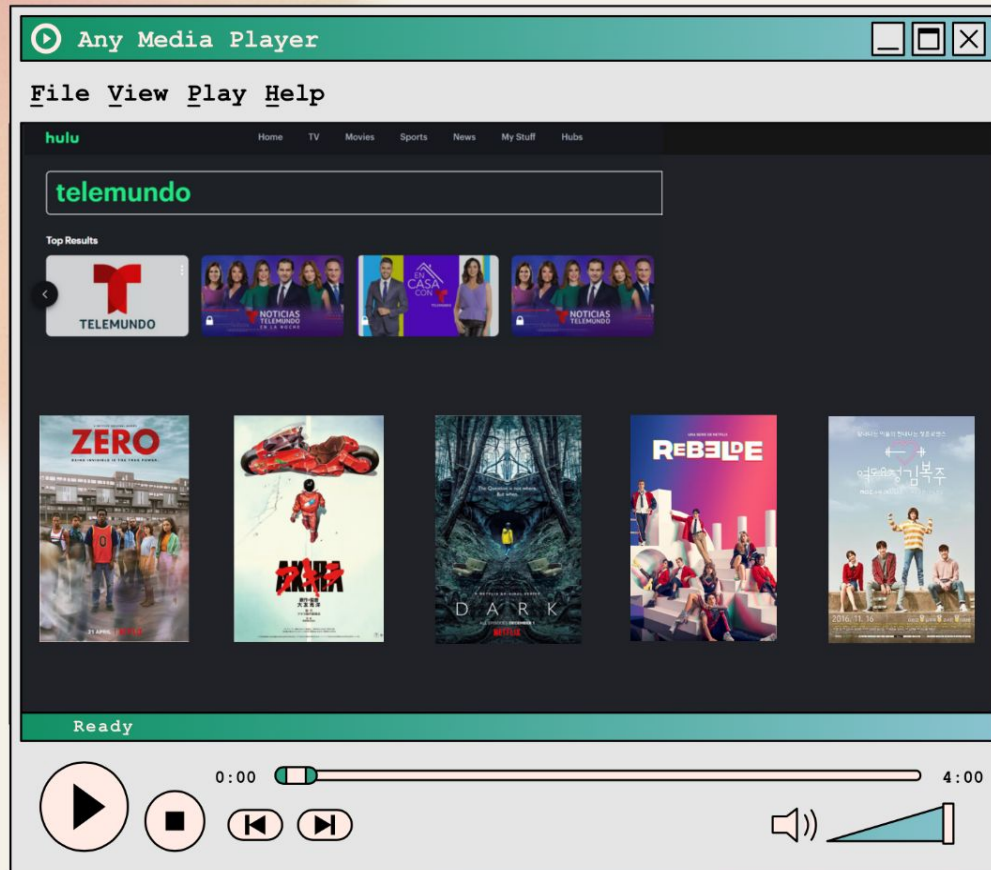
DURING THE EXAM

- Tips for managing anxiety
 - Bring a fidget toy (if allowed)
 - Wear clothing that you feel comfortable in
 - Take a few moments to breathe before beginning (if you have a smart watch, try out the relax feature)
- Get out of your head
 - Stay present and don't worry about how you think things are going
- Use what you know
- If all else fails, ask the professor how you can do better next time

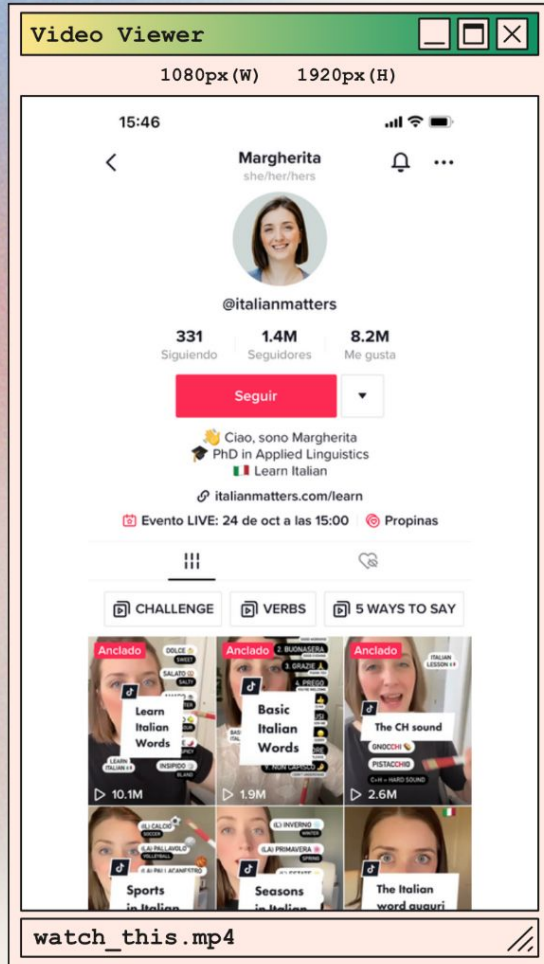


RESOURCES OUTSIDE OF THE CLASSROOM

Media, Self-Guided Practice, Community
Involvement, and More



SHOWS AND MOVIES

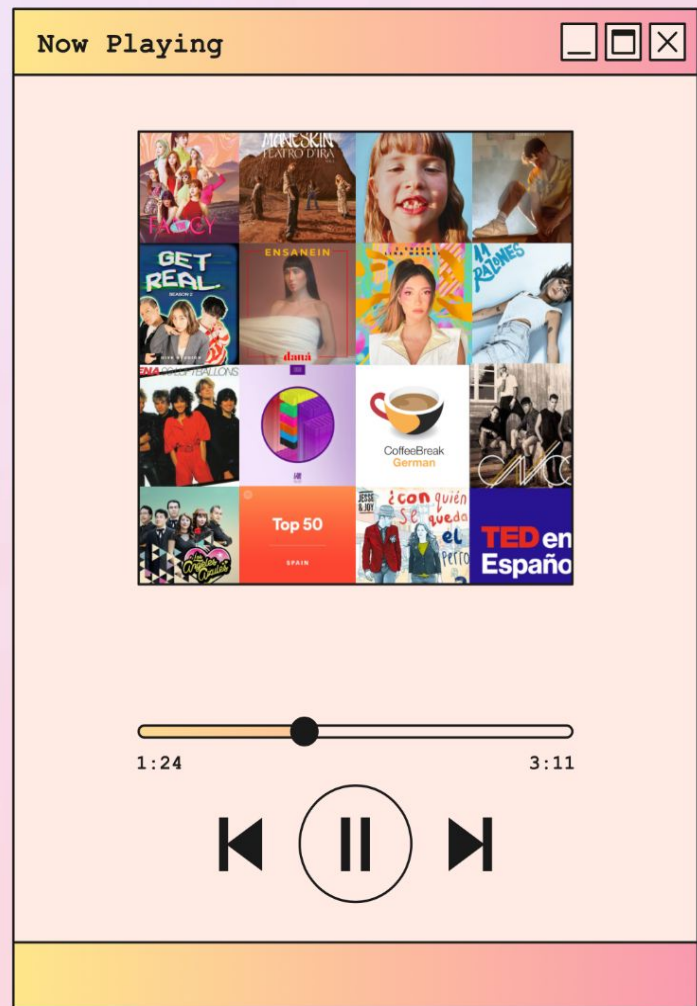


SOCIAL MEDIA

Some of our favorite TikTok creators include:

- Germanplease
- Thespanishchick
- Randomspanish
- Italianmatters
- Arabicforbeginners
- Speakspanishfaster (uses english but teaches slang)
- Spanishforeveryday (silly skits that use Spanish songs)

MUSIC AND PODCASTS

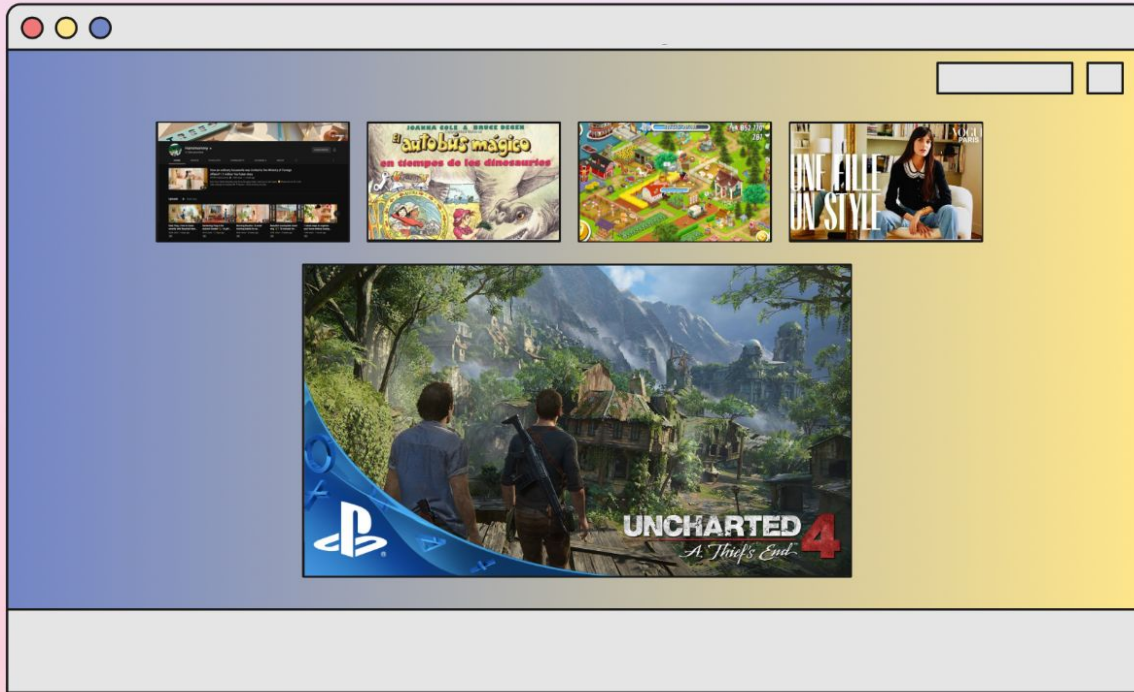


HOBBIES

- Look for ways to engage with your hobbies in your target language.

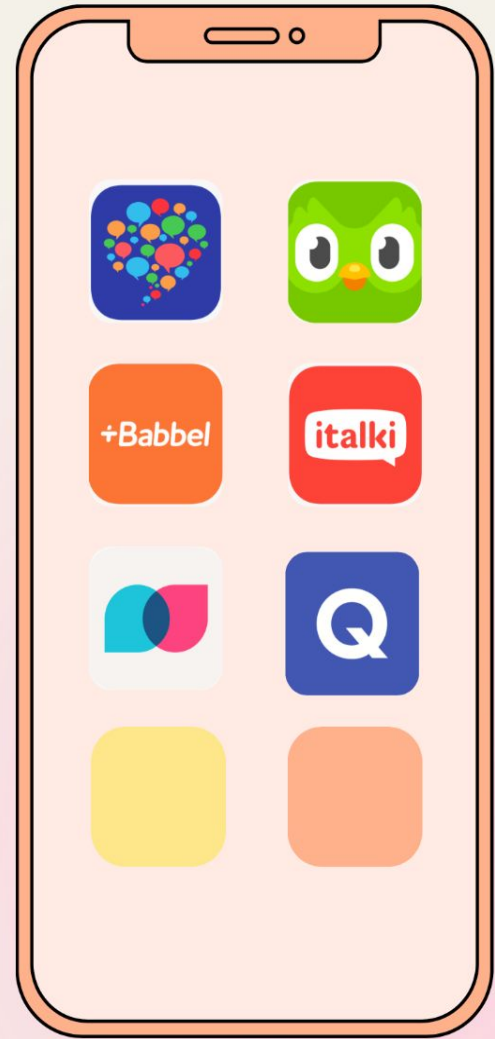
For us, this includes:

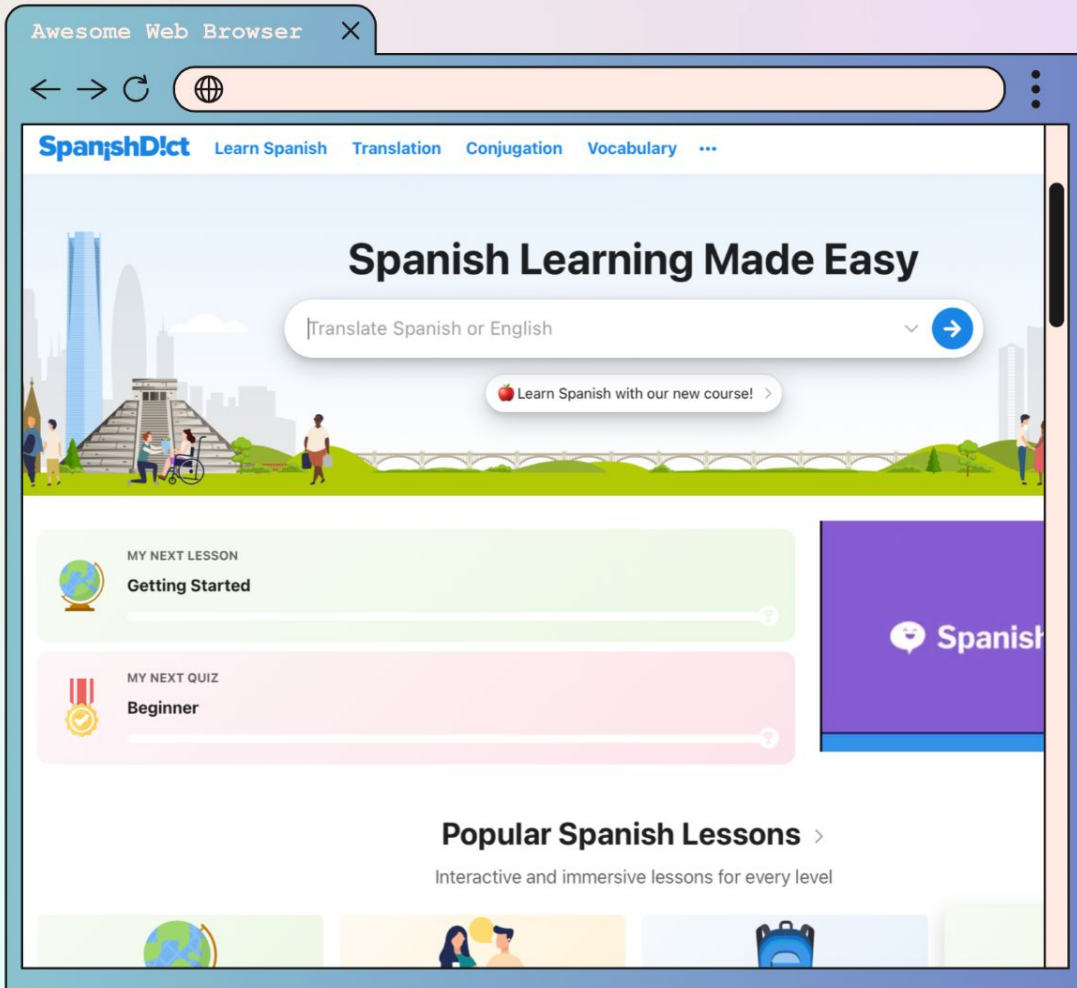
- Video games
- News
- Magazines
- Youtube
- Reading
- Cooking
- And more



LANGUAGE LEARNING APPS

- Find a language partner online with programs like italki, HelloTalk, and Tandem
- Practice your vocabulary, learn new grammatical skills, or just get into the mindset of the language with Duolingo and Babbel
- Apps like Quizlet are great for vocab practice

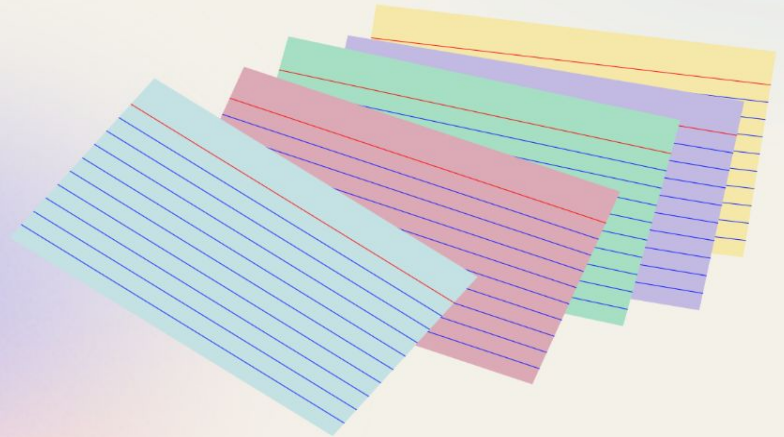




ONLINE RESOURCES

SELF-GUIDED PRACTICE

- Talk to yourself in the language
 - Create scenarios
 - Review your to do list in the target language
 - Try out a new recipe
- Have a daily topic that you write/talk about in your target language
- Set your phone's language to your target language
- Give old fashioned flash cards a try
 - Writing verbs or concepts out helps with memorization
- Work through a textbook meant to prepare for a specific proficiency level
- Use verb charts to visualize and practice conjugations



COMMUNITY

- Attend events/festivals hosted by the university or city

- Plaza de las Américas
- ArkanSalsa fest
- Tontitown Grape Festival
- Oktoberfest
- International festivals

- Visit an authentic restaurant

- Speak in your target language

- Find a speaking partner

- Native speaker and/or classmate





Check out the Student Success Center



Follow the World Language & Digital Humanities Studio Instagram

- Follow @uarkwldhs
- Updated semi-daily, at least 2-3 times weekly
- Studio events, WLLC events, courses, WLLC announcements, spotlights, highlights, news, etc.



**VIRTUAL REALITY CLUB
FOR LANGUAGE LEARNING**

THURSDAYS | 3:30-5:00 | JBHT 207

Explore the multiverse of language learning using ImmerseMe. A different language will be featured each week. Improve your listening & speaking skills with virtual reality technology!

OCT 27: FRENCH
NOV 3: GERMAN (STARTS @ 5PM)
NOV 10: EXPLORE ARGENTINA
NOV 17: CHINESE

KINOABEND

THE UARK GERMAN PROGRAM PRESENTS CLASSIC AND MODERN MASTERPIECES IN GERMAN FILM. IF YOU ARE A FAN OF CINEMA OR INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT GERMAN, THESE EVENTS ARE FOR YOU!

**J.B. HUNT 207
CENTER FOR WORLD LANGUAGES
5:30 - 8:00**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:
09/22: BYE, BYE GERMANY

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Join us for Coffee & Conversation at JBHT 207

**FIVE TUESDAY SESSIONS
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

**SEPTEMBER 20
OCTOBER 4 & 25
NOVEMBER 8 & 29**

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**TERTULIA
NIVELES AVANZADOS**

¿Quieres practicar español? Un encuentro informal para hablar, practicar, conocer nuevos amigos y divertirse un rato.

¿Cuándo?
Lunes (5-6 PM)
FECHAS:
Sep 12, 26;
Oct 18, 26;
Nov 7, 28;
Dic 5.

¿Dónde?
Center for World Languages
JB HT 207



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**PEER LEARNING
WORKSHOP
SERIES**

The Peer Learning Workshop Series features one-hour student-led workshops on how to successfully study world languages & cultures.

WORKSHOP INFORMATION

WED, OCT 26: RESOURCES BEYOND THE CLASSROOM & PREPARING FOR AN ORAL EXAM

THUR, NOV 3: READING COMPREHENSION & WRITING

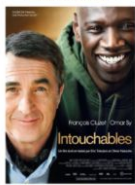
THUR, NOV 10: ACTIVE LISTENING & LISTENING COMPREHENSION

5:15 PM
JBHT 207

STUDIO EVENTS

The French Film Series Presents

Intouchables
(The Intouchables)



**Tuesday
October 25, 5:00pm
JBHT 207**

**(DIGITAL)
PEDAGOGY
MEET-UP**

Explore the expansion of teaching practices through digital components

Meet with faculty & graduate students to explore how digital components, technology, and other methodologies can be integrated into the classroom.

**MON, OCT 24
TUES, NOV 1
TUES, NOV 15
TUES, NOV 29
MON, DEC 5**

**MONDAYS: 2-3PM
TUESDAYS: 12-1PM**

**JBHT 207
WLDH Studio**



**TAVOLA
ITALIANA**

Practice your Italian or find an answer to your questions on Italian language and culture!

All levels welcome!

**World Languages and Digital Humanities Studio – JBHT 207
4:00-5:00pm**

August: Monday 29
September: Wednesday 7; Monday 12; Tuesday 20; Monday 26
October: Wednesday 5; Monday 10; Thursday 20; Monday 24
November: Wednesday 2; Monday 7; Monday 14; Monday 21; Wednesday 30

For further information, contact deugeni@uark.edu

**LA TABLE
FRANÇAISE**

...PRACTICE FRENCH
...MEET FRANCOPHONE STUDENTS
...LEARN ABOUT FRANCOPHONE CULTURES

ALL LEVELS OF FRENCH WELCOME

COFFEE AND SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED

**THURSDAYS 2:00-3:00
WORLD LANGUAGES AND DIGITAL HUMANITIES STUDIO (JBHT 207)**

Contact Dr. Deugeni: deugeni@uark.edu for more information.

THE WORLD LANGUAGES & DIGITAL HUMANITIES STUDIO PRESENTS:

Digital Humanities Weekly Meet-Up

The Weekly DH Meet-up explores the intersection of digital technology and humanist thought in both theory and praxis. Join an interdisciplinary constellation of students and faculty as we probe what the digital humanities mean today!

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THANK YOU FOR LISTENING

Any questions?