1. **Department:** Foreign Languages and Literatures

Course prefix, number and title: LS 111, Elementary Spanish I

2. **PREREQUISITES/COREQUISITES**
 Placement by Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures

3. **HOURS/CREDITS/RECITATION HOURS**
  4 class hours, 1 laboratory hour, 4 credits

4. **COURSE DESCRIPTION**
 This course is an introduction to the Spanish language and to the cultures of the Spanish-speaking world. Incorporating a task-oriented approach to language learning, this course aims to help you develop listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills.

5. **Curricula for which this course is required:**
 For Liberal Arts and Sciences, Business and Fine Arts students, this course may fulfill foreign language requirements partially or completely. For all other students, this course may be taken as an elective.

6. **General Education Learning Objectives**
 Students will be able to:
   - Communicate effectively through reading, writing, listening, and speaking;
   - Use analytical reasoning to identify issues or problems and evaluate evidence in order to make informed decisions.

7. **Course Objectives/ expected learning outcomes:**
 Upon the successful completion of this course, students should be able to:
   1. provide basic information in Spanish in oral and written form about yourself, your city, your classmates, friends, family, hobbies and daily activities;
   2. participate in simple conversations on everyday topics, such as greetings and introductions, work, college, home life, etc.;
   3. read and understand simple texts on the above-mentioned familiar topics;
   4. provide general information about Hispanic culture;
   • use and understand essential vocabulary related to your everyday life.

8. **Summary of main topics that can be covered in the course:**
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9. **Examples of texts/readings/other materials that are recommended for the course (as applicable):**
 Sample Textbooks:
   - Online Workbook/Laboratory Manual: ¡Con brío!
   - Access Code for WileyPlus (web platform for ¡Con Brío!)

10. **Methods by which student learning will be evaluated**
 Assessment of listening and conversational skills will occur through:
    1. evaluations of in-class oral activities, such as in-class conversations with instructor, between pairs of students and in groups;
    2. successful completion of activities assigned in WileyPlus;
    3. oral comprehension exercises on quizzes and exams;
Assessment of writing skills, including knowledge of grammar, will be accomplished through participatory exercises in class, homework assignments, successful completion of WileyPlus writing activities assigned by your instructor and through grammar, vocabulary, and/or composition exercises on quizzes and exams. Assessment of reading skills will be accomplished through participatory exercises in class, homework assignments, successful completion of WileyPlus reading activities assigned by your instructor and reading exercises on quizzes and exams.

11. **Required Attire**: Not Applicable

13. **Academic Integrity Policy** (department or college)
The Foreign Language Department abides by Queensborough Community College Policy regarding Academic Integrity. Cheating on a quiz or exam as well as the act of plagiarizing (stealing the words or ideas of another) will result in an F grade for the course. It may also lead to suspension or dismissal from the College. For more details, refer to the Academic Integrity Policy stated in the 2009-2010 College Catalogue, p. 44-45.

14. **Other expectations for student performance** (if applicable): The student is expected to participate in group work/collaborative activities which are an essential component of this Spanish course.