THE SOUNDS OF SPANISH
CAS LX 383/ GRS LX 683/ CAS LS 507

This course is all about…

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IS THAT SOME STRANGE ALIEN WRITING SYSTEM?

Nope. Is that the *International Phonetic Alphabetic* (IPA) and it tells us how some Spanish speakers would say 'los sonidos de la lengua española'. Just like in English, speakers from around the Spanish-speaking world differ in how they produce the sounds of this language. In this course, we explore the sounds of Spanish from the scientific perspective of linguistics.

You will learn how to:

- Compare the sounds of English and Spanish from an acoustic and articulatory perspective.
- Differentiate national and regional varieties of Spanish.
- Understand how the human mind stores and organizes speech sounds and directs the vocal tract to produce them.
- Read and use the IPA to describe your own speech and that of others.

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TR 9:30-10:45

Prereqs: CAS LX 250 & ONE 300 LEVEL SPANISH COURSE (COURSE IS TAUGHT IN SPANISH)

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