

## **Introduction to the History of Spain and the Spanish speaking world (2)**

### **Learning Objectives**

- To familiarize students with the major social, political and cultural events from the medieval to contemporary period

### **Learning Outcomes**

- To provide a good understanding of Contemporary Spain and contemporary Latin America and their standing in the world

#### **Unit 1**

Arab contributions to Spanish culture (711-1492).

#### **Unit 2**

The Catholic kings, discovery of America and the Spanish empire.

#### **Unit 3**

XIX century Spanish American Independence movements

#### **Unit 4**

XX century: Spanish Civil War, Latin American dictatorships

#### **Unit 5**

Contemporary Spain and Latin America

### **References**

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Additional material will be provided by the Department

### **Teaching Learning Process**

- Interactive teaching with lectures, presentations, discussions and debates with the help of audio-visual teaching aids.
- The learners are encouraged to collaborate with their peers to complete specific projects, assignments, term papers assigned to them.
- By using latest tools of Information technology the learners will be expected to explore and investigate about the topics introduced in the class in order to develop a critical perspective on the issues concerned.

### **Keywords**

*Spain, Latin America, Democracy, Dictatorship, Freedom Movement, Immigration, History*