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YUCATEC MAYA II: INTRODUCTION TO THE LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

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YUCATEC MAYA IV: INTERMEDIATE YUCATEC MAYA

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Yucatec Maya, known simply as *maaya* ('Maya') by its speakers, is spoken by around 800,000 people across the three states on the Yucatan peninsula (Campeche, Yucatan, and Quintana Roo) in Mexico. It is also spoken in Northern Belize, and in the U.S., primarily in the San Francisco Bay area. The National Institute of Indigenous Languages recognizes Yucatec Maya as the most widely spoken Indigenous language in Mexico. Maya is useful today for a range of professions in the U.S. and Mexico, including court and medical interpreting, language instruction, anthropological and linguistic research, K-12 and university instruction, culinary arts, music production, and literary studies.

This course is taught by native speakers who are on the faculty or are former students at the Universidad de Oriente in Yucatan state in Mexico. The instructors will offer real-time, synchronous instruction via video conferencing and the course uses materials developed with contemporary speakers. The goal of this course is to develop your ability to use everyday expressions to accomplish necessary, everyday tasks, like greetings, exchanging information, purchasing goods, and navigating daily life. The course will involve reading, writing, basic grammar, listening, and speaking. The focus in this course is *communicative* and will point on real contemporary situations and contexts of use. In addition to the real-time online instruction, the course is supported by two in-person Maya speakers at UNM.

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