

Spanish Program

Purpose Statement

The Department of Modern Languages commits itself to the teaching of a second language. Equally important in second language acquisition is the development and nurturing of intercultural awareness and sensitivity.

The department achieves its goals when its graduates

- demonstrate proficiency in the target language;
- demonstrate knowledge of the various cultures of the target language;
- commit themselves to the pursuit of intercultural intelligence and appreciation.

Spanish Major

Requirements

A minimum of 32 semester hours, including:

- G-ML108** Level I Spanish (3 hours)
- G-ML109** Level II Spanish (3 hours)
- G-ML208** Level III Spanish (3 hours)
- G-ML209** Level IV Spanish (3 hours)
- ML309** Hispanic Cultures (3 hours)
- ML350** Junior Semester Abroad (12 hours)
- ML384** Intermediate-Level Composition and Conversation (3 hours)
- ML385** Advanced-Level Composition and Conversation (3 hours)
- ML475** Senior Seminar (2 hours)

The following courses may be taken abroad:

- ML308** Spanish Language Literature (3 hours or equivalent)
- ML458** Structure of the Spanish Language (2 hours or equivalent, such as advanced grammar)

Should a student not be able to complete the semester abroad, s/he may request an alternate immersion program be substituted. This program would include the following (as well as other requirements):

- G-ML168/268** Spanish for Travelers (4 hours)
- G-ML370** Service Learning Opportunity (4 hours)

Required Supporting Courses:

- EN230** Linguistics (2 hours)

Students may elect to enroll in Spanish I or II for either three or four hours. Students who enroll for four hours must fulfill an internship or volunteer placement within the Spanish-speaking community. Students enrolled in Spanish III and IV are required to fulfill an internship or volunteer placement within the Spanish-speaking community.

To enhance a student's exposure to the Spanish-speaking world, students are strongly encouraged to enroll in both G-ML168/268 and G-ML370.

Students who can demonstrate language proficiency (via a placement exam) may be waived from enrolling in G-ML108 and G-ML109.

All students seeking a B.A. degree are required to enroll for one semester of Spanish. Students who have had zero to one year of high school Spanish will be placed in Spanish I. Students who have had two to three years of high school Spanish will be placed in Spanish II. Students who have had four to six years of high school Spanish may be waived from the Spanish language requirement if they can demonstrate language proficiency via written and oral examination.

Teaching Licensure in Spanish (PK-12)

The requirements for teaching licensure in Spanish are specified in the Curriculum and Instruction Department listing. They include the major in Spanish and professional education requirements.

Spanish Minor Requirements

A minimum of 18 semester hours, including

- G-ML 208** Level III Spanish (4 hours)

G-ML 209 Level IV Spanish (4 hours)

Note: The following courses *may be counted* toward fulfillment of the 18 semester hours:

G-ML 108 Level I Spanish (4 hours)

G-ML 109 Level II Spanish (4 hours)

Teaching Licensure in English as a Second Language (ESL)

Requirements

The requirements for teaching licensure in English as a Second Language are specified in the Curriculum and Instruction Department listing and in the English Department listing.