

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

- Communicate effectively using interpersonal, interpretive, and presentation skills in Spanish.
- Demonstrate an ability to interact effectively with Spanish-speaking cultures, showing an understanding of different cultural perspectives and products.
- Demonstrate knowledge of the nature of language and language acquisition.

Spanish Major

Requirements

Emphasis 1:

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)
ML350 Immersion Experience (12 hours – the equivalent of a semester abroad)
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)

Emphasis 2:

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)
ML350 Immersion Experience (4 hours – at least 3 weeks immersion)
ML384 Intermediate-Level Composition and Conversation (3 hours)
***ML385** Advanced-Level Composition and Conversation (3 hours)
ML475 Senior Seminar (2 hours)
ML308 Spanish Language Literature (3 hours)
ML458 Structure of the Spanish Language (2 hours or equivalent, such as advanced grammar)

A minimum of 9 credit hours approved by the department and selected from culture studies courses, such as the following:

G-ML370 Service Learning Opportunity (1-4 hours)
***G-CI333** Intercultural Education Seminar (2 hours)
G-CM221 Intercultural Communication (3 hours)
G-SO202 Minorities in the U.S. (3 hours)
***G-PS215** Global Peace Studies (3 hours)
G-PS130 Principles of Geography (3 hours)
***G-PR106** Spiritual Pathways: Transformation, Compassion, and Vocation (3 hours)
G-PR306 World Religions (3 hours)
Courses in a language other than English or Spanish (3-9 hours)

Required Supporting Courses:

EN230 Linguistics (2 hours)

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 at least 6 hours beyond G-ML209 Level IV Spanish.

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

G-ML 108 Level I Spanish (3 hours)

G-ML 109 Level II Spanish (3 hours)

G-ML 208 Level III Spanish (3 hours)

G-ML 209 Level IV Spanish (3 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.