

## SPANISH (SPA)

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A liberal arts minor in Spanish greatly enhances career preparation in a wide variety of fields. Spanish is a valuable support tool in education, administration, all the health and social service fields, business, banking, and especially in service and product sales and marketing.

A teaching major in Spanish provides the essential skills and knowledge to satisfy the requirements of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction for a license to teach Spanish.

### Course of Study

A major in Spanish consists of at least 36 credits including:

1. Core courses: SPA 202, 250, 320, 330, 375, 495.
2. At least one of: SPA 312 or 313.
3. At least one of: SPA 340, 341, or 342.
4. At least one of: SPA 350 or 351.
5. At least 9 credits of electives from remaining courses above SPA 225.
6. Collateral Requirement: HIS 341 or 342.

A minor in Spanish consists of at least 24 credits including:

1. Core courses: SPA 202, 250, 320, 330, 375.
2. At least one of: SPA 312 or 313.
3. At least one of: SPA 340, 341, 342, 350, 351.
4. At least three credits from: SPA 225 or any other 300 and 400 level Spanish course.
5. Collateral Requirement: HIS 341 or 342.

Foreign Study/Experience: All students majoring in Spanish are required to have an approved foreign study/experience. Students seeking education certification must have their program approved by the Teacher Education Department as well as the Spanish Department.

Grade Point Average: To have a major or minor in Spanish, a student must have a minimum grade of C in each course individually and a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50 in courses selected by the student to satisfy the major/minor. Students seeking Education certification are required to have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00.

Students who have been waived from taking SPA 202 due to placement test scores will receive credit for it towards a Spanish major or minor.

### Course Descriptions

#### **SPA 101 Elementary Spanish 1. 4 cr.**

Introduction to the Spanish language. Fundamentals of comprehension, speaking, reading, writing, and culture.

#### **SPA 102 Elementary Spanish 2. 4 cr.**

Continuation of SPA 101. Prereq: SPA 101 (grade of C or better), or by placement.

#### **SPA 201 Intermediate Spanish 1. 3 cr.**

Oral and written communication skills will continue to be developed and expanded. Readings emphasizing cultural topics will be introduced and discussed. Prereq: SPA 102 (grade of C or better), or by placement.

#### **SPA 202 Intermediate Spanish 2. 3 cr.**

Continuation of SPA 201. Prereq: SPA 201 (grade of C or better), or by placement.

#### **SPA 210 Beginning Spanish for Business. 3 cr.**

An introduction of Spanish terminology for business purposes. This course is designed for the student who is not seeking a minor or major, but who wishes to enhance their skills in the language with business applications. Prereq: SPA 202 (grade of C or better), or by placement.

#### **SPA 225 Beginning Spanish Conversation and Composition. 3 cr.**

Speaking, writing and reading skills will be improved by participating in guided conversations, presentations, group discussions and through extensive opportunities for writing and correcting what has been written. The emphasis is on increasing confidence in oral expression, vocabulary acquisition and usage. Correct written grammar will also be stressed on writing assignments. Prereq: SPA 202 (grade of C or better), or by placement.

#### **SPA 250 Intermediate Spanish Grammar. 3 cr.**

This course is designed to strengthen awareness of the system of agreement, to refine use of the tenses, and generally to increase the level of linguistic sophistication in the use of Spanish. Prereq: SPA 202 (grade of C or better), or by placement.

#### **SPA 312 Spanish Civilization. 3 cr.**

An in depth study of Spanish Peninsular culture through its history, art, philosophy and literature from Medieval times through the 21st Century. Prereq: SPA 250 (grade of C or better), or by placement.

#### **SPA 313 Latin American Civilization. 3 cr.**

An in depth study of Latin American culture through its history, art, philosophy and literature from Pre-Columbian times through the 21st Century. Prereq: SPA 250 (grade of C or better), or by placement.

#### **SPA 320 Advanced Spanish Composition. 3 cr.**

Intense review of Spanish grammatical structures, syntax, and idioms in order to improve speaking and writing skills. Prereq: SPA 225 or 250 (grade of C or better).

#### **SPA 330 Introduction to Literary Studies in Spanish. 3 cr.**

Literary terminology and methodology specific to Spanish literature is learned. Analysis of narrative, poetry, theater, and essays will be done. Prereq: SPA 225 or 250 (grade of C or better).

**SPA 340 Survey of Spanish Literature 1. 3 cr.**

Study of Spanish Literature from its epic beginnings through the 17th century, including the Cid, the Celestina, Cervantes, and Lope de Vega. Prereq: SPA 330 (grade of C or better).

**SPA 341 Survey of Spanish Literature 2. 3 cr.**

A study of representative works from 1750 to 1898. Included are works of Neoclassicism, Romanticism, Realism, and Naturalism. Prereq: SPA 330 (grade of C or better).

**SPA 342 Survey of Spanish Literature 3. 3 cr.**

Reading and discussion of selected works beginning with the Generation of '98 and including pre- and post-Civil War literature. Prereq: SPA 330 (grade of C or better).

**SPA 350 Survey of Latin-American Literature 1. 3 cr.**

Introduction to Latin American literature from its origins to the nineteenth century. Prereq: SPA 330 (grade of C or better).

**SPA 351 Survey of Latin-American Literature 2. 3 cr.**

Introduction to Latin American literature from the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. Prereq: SPA 330 (grade of C or better).

**SPA 361 Advanced Spanish for Business. 3 cr.**

Advanced business terminology, letter writing, telephone communication and cultural implications of conducting business in a Spanish speaking country. Prereq: One of SPA 225, 250 or 320 (grade of C or better).

**SPA 375 Conversation, Phonology, and Phonetics. 3 cr.**

Study of the Spanish sound system to improve spelling and pronunciation. Emphasis on understanding the distinct linguistic environments that affect how certain sounds are produced. Prereq: SPA 320.

**SPA 490 Internship. 1-3 cr.**

By arrangement with the Internship Coordinator, and the department.

**SPA x91 Seminar in Selected Topics. 3 cr.**

Focus on a major topic, figure, movement, or era. Presented in seminar format. Maybe repeated with a change in subtitle. Offerings in the past have included: Women's writings in the twentieth century, Film, 18th Century Novel, and Caribbean Theater. Prereq: SPA 320 and 330.

**SPA 495 Senior Thesis. 3 cr.**

A scholarly project on a theme of interest to the student. Crafted individually with the advisor with an end product in Spanish of a minimum 30-page essay. Prereq: Senior standing, permission of advisor.

**SPA 199-499 Independent Study. 1-3 cr.**

By arrangement with the department.