

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences
Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures
Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Languages (BAFL)

SPANISH MAJOR

For students entering under UG Catalog 2023-2024

Common Degree Core (21 credit hours)

All language majors under the BA in Foreign Languages share the following Common Degree Core requirements (21 credit hour total):

First year experience (3 credit hours)

Language (6-15 credit hours)

Other language-program-specific courses (3-12 credit hours)

First year experience (3 cr)

___ RLCL 1004 Introduction to Religion and Culture² (or another FYE course completed for another major) (3 cr)

Language (e.g., oral, written, interpretive) (6 cr)

___ SPAN 3126 Spanish for Oral Proficiency⁴ (3 cr)

___ SPAN 3304 Introduction to Hispanic Literature^{1,2} (3 cr)

Other language-program-specific courses (e.g., literature, culture, linguistics) (12 cr)

___ SPAN 3105 Grammar Conversation & Composition^{1,2} (3 cr)

___ SPAN 3106 Grammar Conversation & Composition^{1,2} (3 cr)

Two of the following:

___ SPAN 4104 Advanced Grammar & Style¹ (3 cr)

___ SPAN 4114 Topics in Spanish Linguistics¹ (3 cr)

___ SPAN 4124 Spanish Translation: Theory & Technique¹ (3 cr)

___ SPAN 4304 Topics in Early Modern Literature and Culture¹ (3 cr)

___ SPAN 4314 Studies in 18th & 19th Century Literature¹ (3 cr)

___ SPAN 4324 Studies in 20th and 21st Century Hispanic Literature¹ (3 cr)

___ SPAN 4334 Special Topics in Hispanic life, Literature & Language¹ (3 cr)

___ SPAN 4344 Hispanic Literature & the Representation of History¹ (3 cr)

___ SPAN 4974 Independent Study⁵ (3 cr)

(Requirements for the Spanish Major continue on the next page.)

Major Requirements (15 credit hours)

Five of the following:**

- _____ SPAN 3404 Early Peninsular Culture & Literature^{1,3} (3 cr)
- _____ SPAN 3414 Modern Peninsular Culture & Literature^{1,3} (3 cr)
- _____ SPAN 3444 Early Spanish American Culture & Literature^{1,3} (3 cr)
- _____ SPAN 3464 Modern Mexican and Central American Culture & Literature^{1,3} (3 cr)
- _____ SPAN 3474 Modern Spanish-Caribbean Culture & Literature^{1,3} (3 cr)
- _____ SPAN 3484 Modern Andean and Southern Cone Culture & Literature^{1,3} (3 cr)

** At least 2 courses must be selected from: SPAN 3404, 3414, 3444, 3464, 3474, 3484.

- _____ SPAN 3494 Introduction to Hispanic Linguistics^{1,3} (3 cr)
- _____ SPAN 3514 Spanish for the Medical Professions^{1,3} (3 cr)
- _____ SPAN 3524 Introduction to Spanish Translation¹ (3 cr)
- _____ SPAN 3534 Spanish for the Business Professions^{1,3} (3 cr)
- _____ SPAN 3544 Sounds of Spanish^{1,3} (3 cr)
- _____ SPAN 3554 Teaching Spanish¹ (3 cr)
- _____ SPAN 3564 Community through Service: Latino NRV^{1,3} (3 cr)

** At least 1 course must be selected from: SPAN 3494, 3514, 3524, 3534, 3544, 3554, 3564.

¹Has a pre-requisite; please refer to Undergraduate Course Catalog or consult your advisor for information.

²May not count toward Pathways

³May count toward Pathways

⁴Requires an oral exam for admission

⁵Requires consent of the Spanish Program for admission

Additional notes

- Total hours required: 120 credit hours required for graduation
- All courses are 3 credits.
- Free electives: Complete remaining credit hours needed to satisfy degree requirement of 120 credits.
- Students must earn 36 credit hours for the Spanish major regardless of initial course placement.
- If you have AP or IB Spanish credit, see your Spanish Advisor.
- GPA requirements: A minimum grade of "C" is required in each of these courses. A minimum overall GPA of 2.0 as well as an in-major GPA of 2.0 are required. All of courses above are considered in-major courses.
- Priority is given to Spanish majors and minors for registration in Spanish courses.
- Students who did not successfully complete at least two years of a single foreign, classical, or sign language during high school must successfully complete six semester hours of a single foreign, classical, or sign language at the college level. Courses taken to meet this requirement do not count toward the hours required for graduation. Please consult the Undergraduate Catalog for details.

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Transfer Credit

- Students may transfer no more than 18 of the last 45 cr. of coursework. Study Abroad credits fall under this rule if they are not VT-sponsored study abroad programs.
- At least 25% of the 120 hours required for the degree and 25% of the 36 hours required for the major must be completed at VT. For a Spanish major, that is at least 9 credits (3 classes).
- A form titled “Authorization to Take Courses Elsewhere” must be filled out and signed by the student, the student’s Spanish Advisor, and the Director of the Office of Education Abroad before the student departs on the study abroad program.
- A maximum of 50% of the required credits for a degree may be earned at a two-year college.

Satisfactory Progress toward Degree

By the time a student majoring in Spanish has completed 72 semester credits (including transfer, advanced placement, advanced standing, and course withdrawal), the student must have completed satisfactorily the following courses in Spanish: 3105, 3106, 3304, and one of the following: 3404, 3414, 3444, 3464, 3474, 3484, 3494, 3514, 3524, 3534, 3544, 3554, 3564. Satisfactory completion means a C or better in each required course in the major.

Pathways to General Education Requirements (45 credit hours)

Area 1: Discourse (9 credit hours)

_____ (foundational, 3)
_____ (foundational, 3)
_____ (advanced, 3)

Area 2: Critical Thinking in the Humanities (6 credit hours)

_____ (3)
_____ (3)

Area 3: Reasoning in the Social Sciences (6 credit hours)

_____ (3)
_____ (3)

Area 4: Reasoning in the Natural Sciences (6 credit hours)

_____ (3)
_____ (3)

Area 5: Quantitative and Computational Thinking (9 credit hours)

_____ (foundational, 3)
_____ (foundational, 3)
_____ (advanced, 3)

Area 6: Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts (6 credit hours)

_____ (3)
_____ (3)

Area 7: Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the United States (3 credit hours, may be double counted with another core concept)

_____ (3)

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Area 7: Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the United States (3 credit hours, may be double counted with another core concept)

_____ (3)