Spanish Major Requirements

Need help navigating our prerequisites? Check out this visual chart (PDF) and sample schedule (PDF).

See this page to learn how to apply to the Spanish Major. Applications to the Spanish major are accepted year-round.

Major Requirements

A minimum of 58 credits (12 courses total) above Spanish 203 are required, as well as participation in an approved Study Abroad Program or Service Learning:

- 15 credits: SPAN 301,302,303; or 314,315,316
  Advanced (5,5,5)
  Effective WIN 2013: 301 and 302 may be taken concurrently.

- 5 credits: SPAN 321
  Introduction to Hispanic Literary Studies
  Prerequisite for 400-level literary courses numbered 410-499.
  ***Only offered Autumn and Winter Quarters***

- 5 credits: SPAN 322
  Introduction to Hispanic Cultural Studies
  Prerequisite for 400-level cultural studies courses numbered 410-499.
  ***Only offered Winter and Spring Quarters***

- 5 credits: SPAN 323
  Introduction to Hispanic Linguistic Studies
  Prerequisite for 400-level courses numbered 400-409, and 498.
  ***Only offered Spring Quarter***

- 3-5 credits: One 300-level elective literature course chosen from SPAN 304-309, 319, 336, 339, 340, 350-352, 394, or 395.

- 25 credits: Five 400-level courses (SPAN 400-499)

  Other than SPAN 400-406, only one course whose instructional materials are primarily in English (typically cross-listed classes) may apply toward the major.

- Participation in an approved Study Abroad Program (1 quarter minimum, any level), or 2 quarters (60 hours) of Service
Learning (2 credits of SPAN 392: 30 hours per credit, 1 credit per quarter) which involves significant engagement with the Spanish-speaking community.

Restrictions: Only one course whose instructional materials are primarily in English (typically cross-listed classes) may apply to the major. SPAN 327 may not apply to the major. However, students unable to participate in a study abroad program have priority admission to 327 (not open to heritage/native speakers).

300-level Coursework Prerequisites

Prerequisite for 302: Concurrent enrollment in or completion of SPAN 301.

Prerequisite for 313: Concurrent enrollment in or completion of SPAN 301 or SPAN 314.

Prerequisites for 303: SPAN 301 and 302.

Prerequisites for 304-309, 319, 331, 336, 339, 340, 350-352, 360, 394, 395: Completion of SPAN 301 or SPAN 314.

Prerequisites for 321, 322, and 323: Completion of SPAN 301 or SPAN 314. SPAN 321, 322, and 323 are stand-alone courses, and may be taken in any order.

400-level Coursework Prerequisites

Prerequisites for 400-409, and 498: SPAN 303 or 316; and one of the following courses - SPAN 323 (preferred); LING 200, or LING 400.

Prerequisites for 410-497: Courses with literary studies emphasis: SPAN 303 or 316; and SPAN 321.

Courses with cultural studies emphasis: SPAN 303 or 316; and SPAN 322.

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