



# Modern Language BA

## with an emphasis in Spanish

The Bachelor of Arts in Modern Language with an emphasis in Spanish develops learners who are both linguistically and culturally competent and ready to become global citizens. We offer a broad range of coursework in Spanish, from foundational courses in language and culture to courses focused on literature, linguistics, creative writing, and professions, all aimed at developing competence for the twenty-first century. Our introductory-level courses are taught in different delivery modes: in-person, hybrid, and online. We encourage study abroad through our short-term programs to destinations such as Costa Rica, as well as through year-long programs in partner institutions.

### Career Outlook

Since Spanish is widely spoken around the world, including in the United States, a major in Spanish provides excellent career opportunities in the fields of teaching, translation, and interpretation. It also enhances job prospects in other disciplines.

Advanced proficiency in Spanish is highly valued in fields such as international business, sales and marketing, nonprofit organizations, healthcare, social services, and law. Other careers where Spanish proficiency is advantageous are international relations, political sciences, journalism, and tourism.

### Future Career Options

- Bilingual Customer Service Representative
- Cultural Events Coordinator
- Foreign Correspondent
- Foreign Service Officer
- Healthcare Professional
- Immigration Specialist
- International Business Coordinator
- International Relations Consultant
- International Travel or Study Coordinator
- Law Enforcement Official
- Spanish Teacher
- Translator/Interpreter/Localizer

### Skills Developed By Degree Completion

- Communicate effectively and cohesively in written and oral discourse
- Appreciate the diversity of Spanish-speaking cultures
- Critically analyze film, media, literature, and art in the Spanish-speaking world
- Compare and contrast cultural beliefs, behaviors, and norms of oneself with those of other cultures
- Describe how language and culture impacts one's world view

Successful alumni have gone on to fulfill many of the opportunities above. Additional possibilities are taken from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Contact an advisor to discuss additional future career options.

# IT STARTS RIGHT NOW

This is a sample academic map for the courses to take each academic semester/session. This map is not a substitute for academic advisement. Contact your advisor when making final selections.



## UNIVERSITY STUDIES

University studies is required for all first-year students and those with less than 24 credit hours.



## MILESTONE COURSES

Milestone courses should be taken in the order shown to ensure you stay on a timely and accurate path toward graduation.



## SUMMER AND INTERSESSION COURSES

Don't forget that summers and winter breaks are a way to fast-track your route to degree completion – and lighten your load during fall and spring!

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## 2024-2025 4-YEAR ACADEMIC MAP

Year

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### Bachelor of Arts in Modern Language with an emphasis in Spanish

#### FALL SEMESTER (15 credit hours)

ENGL 1100: First-Year Writing (3)  
MATH 1020: Contemporary Mathematics (3)  
SPANISH 1001: Spanish Language and Culture I (5)  
GEN ED EXPLORE: Social Sciences (3)  
INTDSC 1003: University Studies (1)

#### SPRING SEMESTER (14 credit hours)

SPANISH 1002: Spanish Language and Culture II (5)  
GEN ED CORE: Communication Proficiency (3)  
GEN ED CORE: US History and Government (3)  
GEN ED EXPLORE: Math and Life/Natural Sciences (3)

#### SUMMER SEMESTER (3 credit hours)

SPANISH 2101: Spanish Language and Culture III (3)



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Year

2

#### FALL SEMESTER (16 credit hours)

FGN LANG 2100: Language and World View (3)  
SPANISH 2172: Spanish Composition (4)\*  
GEN ED CORE: Information Literacy (3)  
GEN ED EXPLORE: Social Sciences (3)  
Elective (3)

#### SPRING SEMESTER (15 credit hours)

SPANISH 2180: Readings in Spanish (3)+  
GEN ED EXPLORE: Math and Life/Natural Sciences (3)  
GEN ED EXPLORE: Social Sciences (3)  
Elective (3)  
Elective (2)



Year

3

#### FALL SEMESTER (15 credit hours)

ENGL 3100: Junior-Level Writing (3)  
SPANISH 3212: Hispanic Cultures and Civilizations (3)\*  
SPANISH 3XXX: Spanish Course (3)  
GEN ED EXPLORE: Math and Life/Natural Sciences (3)  
Elective (3)

#### SPRING SEMESTER (15 credit hours)

SPANISH 3282: Introduction to Hispanic Literature (3)+  
SPANISH 3326: Introduction to Spanish Linguistics (3)+  
SPANISH 4XXX: Spanish Course (3)  
Elective (3)  
Elective (3)



Year

4

#### FALL SEMESTER (15 credit hours)

SPANISH 3XXX: Spanish Course (3)  
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Elective (3)  
Elective (3)

#### SPRING SEMESTER (16 credit hours)

SPANISH 4XXX: Spanish Course (3)  
Elective (3)  
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\* only offered in fall  
+ only offered in spring