

SPANISH, BACHELOR OF ARTS (778)

Program Coordinator

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There are so many reasons to learn Spanish that we could hardly list them all here. Spanish is spoken by some 400 million people. According to About.com, it is the fourth most commonly spoken language in the world. It is the official language on four continents, and the number of Spanish speakers in the United States is growing. Speakers of Spanish are needed in a wide variety of fields such as business, education, health care, journalism and social work. Spanish makes a great "second major" in combination with just about any other discipline that interests you. Our Spanish program provides you many opportunities to interact with Spanish speakers both at home and abroad, and to apply your skills in service opportunities.

Concentrations

- Spanish Language and Cultures (SPLC)
- Communication (COMM)
- International Business (INBU)
- Health Sciences & Health Careers (HSHC)
- Legal Professionals (LEPR)
- Teacher Education (TCHR)

Program Requirements (36-78 hours)

A baccalaureate degree requires a minimum of 120 unduplicated semester hours. More information can be found at www.wku.edu/registrar/degree_certification.php. (https://www.wku.edu/registrar/degree_certification.php)

Students who began WKU in the Fall 2014 and thereafter should review the Colonnade requirements located at: <https://www.wku.edu/colonnade/colonnaderequirements.php>. (<https://www.wku.edu/colonnade/colonnaderequirements.php>)

The Spanish major (reference # 778) leads to a Bachelor of Arts degree and requires a minimum of 36 credit hours, depending on chosen concentration. A minor or second major is required, unless the student declares the teacher certification concentration. Some of the required coursework may be accomplished through CLEP or AP credit. Study abroad is strongly recommended. No course with a grade of "D" or below may be counted toward this major.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Core Courses		
SPAN 102	Elementary Spanish II (or equivalent)	3
SPAN 201	Intermediate Spanish I	3
SPAN 202	Intermediate Spanish II	3
SPAN 370	Spanish Conversation	3
SPAN 371	Spanish Composition and Grammar	3
SPAN 372	Latin American Civilization and Culture	3
or SPAN 373	Spanish Civilization and Culture	
SPAN 374	Literature and Culture of Spain	3

or SPAN 376	Literature and Culture of Latin America
Total Hours	21

Select one of the following concentrations:

Spanish Language and Cultures Concentration

Code	Title	Hours
In addition to the required core courses, student must take the following courses if they pursue the Spanish Language and Cultures concentration:		
Select 5 elective upper level Spanish courses, with at least one 400 level course		15
Total Hours		15

Spanish Communication Concentration

Code	Title	Hours
In addition to the required core courses, student must take the following courses if they pursue the Spanish Communication concentration:		
SPAN 345	Topics in Spanish	3
or SPAN 381	Spanish Grammar Through Cultural Readings	
SPAN 470	Advanced Oral Spanish	3
or SPAN 471	Advanced Spanish Composition	
Choose one of the following Spanish elective courses:		3
SPAN 389	Internship in Spanish	
or SPAN 331	Spanish for Professional Communication	
or SPAN 455	Topics in Hispanic Literary and Cultural Studies	
or SPAN 480	Translation and Interpreting	
SPAN 3** or SPAN 4** Study Abroad		
Students must take all 3 courses in one of the following options:		9
Workplace Communication		
COMM 330	Leadership Communication	
or COMM 345	Advanced Presentational Speaking	
COMM 349	Small Group Communication	
COMM 365	Intercultural Communication	
or COMM 371	Communication in Multinational Organizations	
Advertising/User Experience		
ART 243	Digital Media	
UX 220	Introduction to User Experience Design	
UX 330	User Interface Design	
Strategic Communication		
PR 255	Fundamentals of Public Relations	
COMM 346	Persuasion	
COMM 364	Crisis Communication	
Total Hours		18

Spanish for International Business Concentration

Code	Title	Hours
In addition to the required core courses, student must take the following courses if they pursue the Spanish for International Business concentration:		
SPAN 345 or SPAN 381	Topics in Spanish Spanish Grammar Through Cultural Readings	3
SPAN 470 or SPAN 471	Advanced Oral Spanish Advanced Spanish Composition	3
MGT 210	Organization and Management	3
MGT 303	International Business	3
Choose one of the following Spanish elective courses:		3
SPAN 389	Internship in Spanish	
SPAN 331	Spanish for Professional Communication	
SPAN 455	Topics in Hispanic Literary and Cultural Studies	
SPAN 480	Translation and Interpreting	
SPAN 3** or SPAN 4** Study Abroad		
Choose one of the following International Business electives:		3
ENT 425	International Entrepreneurship	
MGT 316	International Management	
ECON 380	International Economics	
Total Hours		18

Spanish for Health Sciences and Health Care Concentration

Code	Title	Hours
In addition to the required core courses, students must take the following courses if they pursue the Spanish for Health Sciences and Health Care concentration:		
SPAN 345 or SPAN 381	Topics in Spanish Spanish Grammar Through Cultural Readings	3
SPAN 470 or SPAN 471	Advanced Oral Spanish Advanced Spanish Composition	3
Choose one of the following Spanish elective courses:		3
SPAN 389	Internship in Spanish	
SPAN 331	Spanish for Professional Communication	
SPAN 455	Topics in Hispanic Literary and Cultural Studies	
SPAN 480	Translation and Interpreting	
Choose nine hours from the following courses:		9
BIOL 113 & BIOL 114	General Biology and General Biology Laboratory	
BIOL 120 & BIOL 121	Biological Concepts: Cells Metabolism and Genetics and Biological Concepts: Cells, Metabolism, and Genetics Lab	
BIOL 122 & BIOL 123	Biological Concepts: Evolution, Diversity, and Ecology and Biological Concepts: Evolution, Diversity, and Ecology Lab	
BIOL 131	Human Anatomy and Physiology	

CHEM 105 & CHEM 106	Fundamentals of General Chemistry and Fundamentals of General Chemistry Laboratory	
CHEM 107 & CHEM 108	Fundamentals of Organic Chemistry and Fundamentals of Organic Chemistry Laboratory	
CHEM 116	Introduction to College Chemistry	
CHEM 120 & CHEM 121	College Chemistry I and College Chemistry I Laboratory	
PSY/PSYS 100	Introduction to Psychology	
PSY/PSYS 220	Introduction to Lifespan Developmental Psychology	
PSYS 440	Abnormal Psychology	
HMD 211	Human Nutrition	
Total Hours		18

Spanish for Legal Professionals Concentration

Code	Title	Hours
In addition to the required core courses, student must take the following courses if they pursue the Spanish for Legal Professionals concentration:		
SPAN 345 or SPAN 381	Topics in Spanish Spanish Grammar Through Cultural Readings	3
SPAN 470 or SPAN 471	Advanced Oral Spanish Advanced Spanish Composition	3
PLS 200	Legal Ethics	3
PLS 225	Introduction to Law	3
Choose one of the following Spanish elective courses:		3
SPAN 389	Internship in Spanish	
SPAN 331	Spanish for Professional Communication	
SPAN 455	Topics in Hispanic Literary and Cultural Studies	
SPAN 480	Translation and Interpreting	
SPAN 3** or SPAN 4** Study Abroad		
Choose one of the following Paralegal Studies electives:		3
PLS 296	Family Law	
Total Hours		18

Major in Spanish with Teacher Certification (no minor or second major required)

Students interested in teacher certification in Chinese or Spanish should meet with the Modern Languages Academic Advisor as early in their academic career as possible for information on current program requirements. World Language teachers in Kentucky may be eligible for interest forgiveness on student loans.

In addition to the 21 hours of core courses, students pursuing Spanish with Teacher Certification need the following classes for a total of 78 hours:

Required for Certification in Spanish

Code	Title	Hours
SPAN 470	Advanced Oral Spanish	3
Four SPAN courses at the 300 or 400 level		12
EDU 250	Discover Teaching: Introduction to Teacher Education	3
EDU 260	Classroom Assessment	3
PSY 310	Educational Psychology: Development and Learning	3
EDU 350	Student Diversity and Differentiation	3
EDU 360	Behavior and Classroom Management in Education	3
LTCY 497	Literacy Competencies for Middle and High School Classroom Teachers	0
MLNG 410 or ENG 469	Second Language Acquisition 2nd Language Acquisition Theory	3
MLNG 474 or ENG 470	Teaching Foreign Language Methods and Materials for Teaching English as a Second Language	3
SEC 350	Clinical Practices in Secondary Teaching I	4
SEC 450	Clinical Practices in Secondary Teaching II	1
SEC 475	Teaching Language Arts	3
EDU 489	Student Teaching Seminar	3
SEC 490	Student Teaching	10
Total Hours		57

All students seeking teacher certification must take the official Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) given by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL).

Finish in Four Plans

Additional Information for Students pursuing a Spanish major

2nd Major or Minor Required for all Spanish Tracks, with the exception of Teacher Certification.

Placement: Students should begin the curriculum at the right level based on previous knowledge. If students begin in 101, bi-term classes are recommended for the first and second year. Read about placement and verified credit at: www.wku.edu/modernlanguages/placement. (<http://www.wku.edu/modernlanguages/placement/>)

Study Abroad: A full semester abroad - or at a minimum 1-2 shorter term study abroad experiences - are strongly recommended. Consult with an advisor and plan ahead.

Spanish Languages and Cultures

First Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 102		3 SPAN 201	3
ENG 100		3 ENG 200	3
MATH 109, MATH 115, or MATH 116		3 Colonnade: Natural & Physical Sciences w/ Lab	3

Colonnade: Social & Behavioral Sciences	3 General Elective	3
HIST 101	3 COMM 145	3
		15

Second Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 202 (or SPAN 201/SPAN 202 as bi-terms)		3 SPAN 370	3
ENG 300		3 SPAN 371	3
Colonnade: Arts & Humanities		3 Colonnade: Connections (Social & Cultural)	3
General Elective		3 Colonnade: Natural & Physical Sciences w/ Lab	3-4
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
		15	15-16

Third Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 372 or SPAN 373		3 SPAN 374 or SPAN 372	3
SPAN Elective (300-level)		3 SPAN Elective (300-level)	3
Colonnade: Connections (Systems)		3 Colonnade: Connections (Local to Global)	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
		15	15

Fourth Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN Elective (300/400 level)		3 SPAN Elective (300/400 level)	3
SPAN Elective (300/400 level)		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
		15	15

Total Hours 120-121

Communication

First Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 102		3 SPAN 201	3
ENG 100		3 HIST 101 or HIST 102	3
COMM 145		3 ENG 200	3
MATH 109, MATH 115, or MATH 116		3 Colonnade: Natural & Physical Sciences w/ Lab	3-4
Colonnade: Social & Behavioral Sciences		3 Colonnade: Arts & Humanities	3
		15	15-16

Second Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 202 (or SPAN 201/SPAN 202 as bi-terms)		3 SPAN 370	3
COMM 200		3 SPAN 371	3
Colonnade: Connections (Systems)		3 Colonnade: Connections (Local to Global)	3
Colonnade: Connections (Social & Cultural)		3 Colonnade: Natural & Physical Sciences w/ o Lab	3-4

General Elective	3 General Elective	3
	15	15-16

Third Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 372 or SPAN 373		3 SPAN 374 or SPAN 372	3
SPAN Elective (300-level)		3 COMM 349, UX 220, or COMM 346	3
SPAN 381 or SPAN 345		3 General Elective	3
COMM 330, ART 243, or PR 255		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3	
	18		15

Fourth Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 470 or SPAN 471		3 SPAN Elective (300/400 level)	3
COMM 365, UX 330, or COMM 364		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
	15		15

Total Hours 123-125

No. Students will choose one concentration and must take the 3 courses listed for that concentration. The first option listed is Workplace Communication, the second option is Advertising/User Experience, and the third is Strategic Communication.

International Business

First Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 102		3 SPAN 201	3
ENG 100		3 HIST 101 or HIST 102	3
COMM 145		3 ECON 203	3
MATH 109, MATH 115, or MATH 116		3 ENG 200	3
ECON 202		3 Colonnade: Natural & Physical Sciences w/ Lab	3-4
	15		15-16

Second Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 202 (or SPAN 201/SPAN 202 as bi-terms)		3 SPAN 370	3
MGT 210		3 SPAN 371	3
ENG 300		3 Colonnade: Connections (Social & Cultural)	3
Colonnade: Arts & Humanities		3 Colonnade: Natural & Physical Sciences w/ o Lab	3-4
General Elective		3 MGT 303	3
	15		15-16

Third Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 372 or SPAN 373		3 SPAN 374 or SPAN 372	3
SPAN 381 or SPAN 345		3 Colonnade: Connections (Local to Global)	3
ENT 425, MGT 316, or ECON 380		3 General Elective	3

Colonnade: Connections (Systems)	3 General Elective	3
General Elective	3 General Elective	3
	15	15

Fourth Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 470 or SPAN 471		3 SPAN Elective (300/400 level)	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
	15		15

Total Hours 120-122

Health Sciences and Health Care

First Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 102		3 SPAN 201	3
ENG 100		3 HIST 101 or HIST 102	3
COMM 145		3 ENG 200	3
MATH 109, MATH 115, or MATH 116		3 BIOL 113 & BIOL 114, BIOL 120/121, BIOL 122/123, or BIOL 131	4
PSY 100, PSYS 100, PSY 220, or PSYS 220		3 General Elective	3
	15		16

Second Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 202 (or SPAN 201/SPAN 202 as bi-terms)		3 SPAN 370	3
CHEM 107 & CHEM 108 or CHEM 109		4 SPAN 371	3
ENG 300		3 CHEM 105 & CHEM 106, CHEM 116, or CHEM 120/121	3-4
Colonnade: Arts & Humanities		3 Colonnade: Connections (Social & Cultural)	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
	16		15-16

Third Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 372 or SPAN 373		3 SPAN 374 or SPAN 372	3
SPAN 381 or SPAN 345		3 Colonnade: Connections (Local to Global)	3
HMD 211		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
	15		15

Fourth Year			
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 470 or SPAN 471		3 SPAN Elective (300/400 level)	3
PSY 440 or PSYS 440		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3

General Elective	3 General Elective	3
	15	15

Total Hours 122-123

Students must complete any 9 hours of the science classes listed in the above pathway.

Legal Professionals

First Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 102		3 SPAN 201	3
ENG 100		3 PLS 225	3
COMM 145		3 HIST 101 or HIST 102	3
MATH 109, MATH 115, or MATH 116		3 ENG 200	3
Colonnade: Social & Behavioral Sciences		3 Colonnade: Natural & Physical Sciences w/ Lab	3-4
	15		15-16

Second Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 202 (or SPAN 201/SPAN 202 as bi-terms)		3 SPAN 370	3
PLS 200		3 SPAN 371	3
ENG 300		3 PLS 296 or PLS 291	3
Colonnade: Arts & Humanities		3 Colonnade: Connections (Social & Cultural)	3
General Elective		3 Colonnade: Natural & Physical Sciences w/ o Lab	3-4
	15		15-16

Third Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 372 or SPAN 373		3 SPAN 374 or SPAN 372	3
SPAN 381 or SPAN 345		3 Colonnade: Connections (Local to Global)	3
Colonnade: Connections (Systems)		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
	15		15

Fourth Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 470 or SPAN 471		3 SPAN Elective (300/400 level)	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
	15		15

Total Hours 120-122

With Teacher Certification

First Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 102		3 SPAN 201	3
ENG 100		3 HIST 101 or HIST 102	3
COMM 145		3 EDU 250	3
MATH 109 (or higher)		3 ENG 200	3

Colonnade: Social & Behavioral Sciences	3 Colonnade: Natural & Physical Sciences w/ Lab	3
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Second Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 202 (or SPAN 201/SPAN 202 as bi-term)		3 SPAN 370	3
PSY 310		3 SPAN 371	3
ENG 300		3 Colonnade: Connections (Social & Cultural)	3
EDU 260		3 Colonnade: Natural & Physical Science	3
Colonnade: Arts & Humanities		3 Colonnade: Connections (Local to Global)	3
	15		15

Third Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SPAN 376 or SPAN 373		3 SEC 350	4
SPAN 381 or SPAN 331		3 MLNG 474 or ENG 470	3
ENG 469		3 SPAN 374 or SPAN 372	3
EDU 350		3 SPAN 345	3
EDU 360		3 Colonnade: Connections (Systems)	3
General Elective		3	
	18		16

Fourth Year

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
SEC 450		1 EDU 489	3
SEC 475		3 SEC 490	10
SPAN 470 (or SPAN Elective)		3	
LTCY 497		0	
SPAN Elective (300/400 level)		3	
SPAN Elective (300/400 level)		3	
	13		13

Total Hours 120