



Why a Bachelor of Arts in Spanish from Cal State Fullerton?

The Department of Modern Languages and Literatures offers a wide range of programs in language study to meet the varying needs of today's students. The ability to communicate effectively is essential for success-oriented graduates, and acquiring the competence to communicate in a language other than English provides a competitive edge in today's global economy.

Communicating effectively in a second language is more than the acquisition of language skills. Students also gain insight into another culture, which provides invaluable perspectives and greater appreciation for alternate ways of life and thought. The department views language, culture and literature as integrally related facets of communication that help us achieve a better understanding of ourselves and others in the rapidly changing world which we live in.

The study of another language and culture, as with other humanities and social sciences disciplines, fosters scholarship and values, social responsibility, free and critical inquiry, empirical analysis and leadership skills. Together, these elements prepare students for intellectually rewarding lives, responsible citizenship, and a wide variety of careers by developing critical thinking skills, clear writing and problem-solving skills, and a heightened understanding of the human condition.

The Spanish major in Cal State Fullerton's Department of Modern Languages and Literatures provides a broad curricular base for students interested in developing and enriching their communication skills in Spanish, and in gaining insights and an appreciation of the culture of Spanish-speaking peoples.

What types of career opportunities are available?

As a result of the State of California's new foreign language requirements for graduation from high school and entry into public universities, there is an increasing demand for teachers of Spanish in the public schools. The Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, in cooperation with the Department of Secondary Education, has a National Council for Accreditation

of Teacher Education (NCATE) and California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC) approved Single-Subject Matter Preparation Program for students who wish to teach at the secondary level.

The growing internationalization of business in the U.S., especially in Southern California, means that there will be a greater need in business and commerce for persons proficient in Spanish. The department offers two business-oriented Spanish classes (Spanish 310 and Spanish 311) to give special preparation in this area. In addition, the College of Business and Economics, in cooperation with the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, offers a B.A. in International Business with a concentration in Spanish.

Similar opportunities for individuals proficient in Spanish exist in a wide range of public service professions, such as social service, law enforcement and government, as well as travel and tourism, the media, publishing, and translation and interpreting.

What courses are required for a Spanish major?

The Bachelor of Arts in Spanish consists of 36 units of upper-division coursework, including the required 3-unit upper-division-writing course, which can be fulfilled by taking Modern Language 301. Each course counted toward the major must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. Prior to undertaking upper-division work, the Spanish major must have completed the following lower-division courses or their equivalents in course work or experience.

Basic Requirements (17-22 units)

Spanish 101, 102 Fundamental Spanish A, B (5 units, 5 units)

OR Spanish 105 Intensive Review of Fundamental Spanish (5 units)

Spanish 201 Spanish for Spanish Speakers A (3 units)

OR Spanish 203 Intermediate Spanish A (3 units)

Spanish 202 Spanish for Spanish Speakers B (3 units)

OR Spanish 204 Intermediate Spanish B (3 units)

Spanish 213 Intermediate Conversation* (3 units)

Spanish 214 Intermediate Composition (3 units)

*Spanish 213 is not open to native speakers.

Upper-Division Requirements (36 Units)

Upper-Division Writing (3 units)

Modern Language 301 Writing in an Intercultural Context (3 units)

Language (6 units)

Spanish 301 Advanced Grammar and Composition (3 units)

Spanish 400 Advanced Writing (3 units)

Culture (6 units)

Spanish 315 Introduction to Spanish Civilization (3 units)

Spanish 316 Introduction to Spanish-American Civilization (3 units)

Literature (9 units)

Spanish 375 Introduction to Literary Forms (3 units)

Spanish 430 Spanish Literature to Neoclassicism (3 units)
OR Spanish 461 Spanish Literature Since Neoclassicism (3 units)
Spanish 440 Spanish-American Literature to Modernismo (3 units)
OR Spanish 441 Spanish-American Literature Since Modernismo (3 units)

Linguistics (6 units)

Spanish 466 Spanish Phonology and Dialectology (3 units)
Spanish 467 Spanish Morphology and Syntax (3 units)
OR Spanish 468 Spanish-English Bilingualism and Language Contact
(3 units)

Seminar (3 units)

Spanish 475T Topics in Spanish Peninsular Literature (3 units)
OR Spanish 485T Topics in Spanish-American Literature (3 units)

Elective (3 units)

Spanish 407, 408, 415, 416, or any of above not already taken, chosen in consultation with an adviser; 475T and 485T may be repeated with a different topic. Spanish 300*, 310 and 311 not applicable here.

*Spanish 300 is not open to native speakers.

Do you offer a minor in Spanish?

In addition to the major in Spanish, the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures offers a minor in Spanish. Students wishing to complete a minor must meet the same lower-division prerequisites (Basic Requirements 17-22 units) as those required for the Spanish major.

Upper-Division Requirements (12 units)

Choose two courses from the following (6 units):

Spanish 301 Advanced Grammar and Composition (3 units)
Spanish 315 Introduction to Spanish Civilization (3 units)
OR Spanish 316 Introduction to Spanish-American Civilization (3 units)

PLUS, in consultation with an adviser, choose two additional upper-division courses in Spanish (both Spanish 315 and 316 may be taken for the minor) (6 units). Please consult the University Catalog for a complete list of courses. In addition, Spanish 300 is applicable to the minor.

Do you offer a B.A. in International Business with a concentration in Spanish?

The Department of Modern Languages and Literatures offers a concentration in Spanish for the International Business major consisting of 15 units of upper-division language and cultural study courses (includes internship). The courses required for the Spanish concentration are: Spanish 310, 311, 315, 316 and Foreign Languages 495.

Note: Students may substitute one of the following for Spanish 315 or 316: Spanish 415 or 416.

What facilities and special programs are available?

The Modern Language Media Center provides language students with the opportunity to develop and refine their language competence outside the classroom. Materials relating to many of the texts used in a variety of courses are available in the language lab. In addition, a broad variety of audio and videotapes are available. The language lab also houses state-of-the-art, interactive, computer-assisted instructional equipment with a total of 24 workstations.

Since the study of a second language provides many opportunities to explore multi-cultural communication, the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures encourages all majors to participate in a study-abroad program. Study abroad enables a student to gain mastery of the language and offers additional insights into a different culture. California State University's International Programs offer a variety of study opportunities for the Spanish major at the junior, senior or graduate level in Mexico and Spain. Information on all of these programs may be obtained at the department office.

What activities can I join?

Student involvement in the department is encouraged through the Spanish Club, the Association of Students and Ex-students of Spanish, and Sigma Delta Pi Hispanic Honor Society. Activities include a variety of social events, as well as lectures, films and other cultural events. Clubs are designed to enhance the acquisition of language skills and cultural knowledge outside the formal classroom.

Spanish students majoring in International Business are encouraged to become involved with AIESEC, an international business students' organization. The Cal State Fullerton chapter of AIESEC is active in scheduling a broad variety of programs relating to International Business.

Who advises me?

Department faculty members provide academic and career advisement. Each student majoring or minoring in Spanish is assigned a faculty adviser. Advisement takes place during the instructors' office hours or by appointment. Students are encouraged to meet with their faculty advisers at least once a semester.

How can I learn more?

For further information please contact the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures at California State University, Fullerton, P.O. Box 6846, Fullerton, CA 92834-6846, or call (714) 278-3534.

We also suggest that you visit the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures in Humanities 835-A and talk with one of our advisers, or visit us on the Internet at: <http://hss.fullerton.edu/fll>