Spanish, Minor

Requirements

The undergraduate minor in Spanish requires a minimum of 18 s.h. in Spanish courses, including at least 15 s.h. in Department of Spanish and Portuguese courses (prefix SPAN) at the University of Iowa numbered 2000–4998. At least 6 s.h. must be numbered 3000–4998. Students must maintain a grade-point average of at least 2.00 in all courses for the minor and in all UI courses for the minor. Coursework in the minor may not be taken pass/nonpass.

Students can count coursework toward the minor in study abroad programs that earn University of Iowa resident credit. At least one course for the minor must be a literature, culture, or Hispanic linguistics course numbered 2000–4998. For a list of courses, see Requirements in the BA in Spanish section of the catalog and view the appropriate areas.

Students can apply one University of Iowa course taught in English toward the minor, but all other courses for the minor must be taught in Spanish. For a list of courses in English, see Requirements in the BA in Spanish section of the catalog and view the "Spanish Courses Taught in English."

Students are not assigned an advisor for minors, but they may consult with the Division of World Languages, Literatures and Cultures academic advisor. In consultation with the advisor, students also may choose to count 3 s.h. toward their Spanish minor from:

- coursework in Spanish at the University of Iowa below the major level (SPAN:1502 Intermediate Spanish II, SPAN:1800 Contemporary Spanish American Narrative);
- or
- transfer credit approved by the department, including credit from study abroad programs sponsored by other universities;
- or
- Advanced Placement Program (AP) Spanish Language and Culture or Literature and Culture exams with a score of 4 or higher; or
- or
- Incentive credit earned from the Furthering Language Incentive Program (FLIP).

Study Abroad

The department participates in study abroad programs in Spain and Latin America; most of these programs offer both summer and semester or yearlong programs. The programs in Spain include the Board of Regents Hispanic Institute program in Valladolid (summer only); Cultures of Spain (Madrid, summer only), USAC (University Studies Abroad Consortium) programs in Alicante, Bilbao, Madrid, and San Sebastián; and CIEE programs in Alcalá de Henares, Alicante, Barcelona, Madrid, Palma de Mallorca, and Seville.

The programs in Latin America include USAC programs in Chile (Santiago and Valparaiso), Dominican Republic (Santiago), and Peru (Lima). They also include the CIC Latin America Health, Nutrition, and Environmental Issues Program in Santiago, Dominican Republic. For information about other international study programs in Spanish, contact International Programs Study Abroad.

Participation in a number of different programs allows the department to offer study abroad opportunities that take into account a variety of student interests and needs. Credit earned in these or any other study abroad programs may be applied toward the requirements for the Spanish minor. The amount of credit that may be accepted varies according to the program.

Interested students should contact the department’s study abroad advisor. Credit earned in study abroad programs other than those listed above counts as transfer credit and is subject to the 3 s.h. maximum allowed for the minor.

Teacher Licensure

Students who plan to use their work toward a minor in Spanish as academic background for earning teacher licensure should contact the Office of Student Services in the College of Education about requirements.

Academic Plans

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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Course  Title  Hours
Academic Career
Any Semester

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### Third Year

**Fall**
- Minor: Spanish elective (prefix SPAN) numbered 2000-4998  
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  3

| Hours | 6 |

**Spring**
- Minor: Spanish elective (prefix SPAN) numbered 2000-4998  
  3

| Hours | 3 |

### Fourth Year

**Fall**
- Minor: Spanish elective (prefix SPAN) numbered 3000-4998  
  3

| Hours | 3 |

**Spring**
- Minor: Spanish elective (prefix SPAN) numbered 3000-4998  
  3

| Hours | 3 |

| Total Hours | 31 |

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a. Language level placement will be determined by placement exam score and/or oral interview. Students who place into the 5th semester level of the language will begin coursework at that level and will not be required to take semesters 1-4 of the language.
b. This course is a prerequisite for the required minor courses.
c. Students may choose to count 3 s.h. toward their Spanish minor from one of the following four choices: coursework below the major level (such as SPAN:1502); transfer credit approved by the department, including from study abroad programs sponsored by other universities; Advanced Placement Program (AP) Spanish Language and Culture or Literature and Culture exams with a score of 4 or higher; incentive credit earned from the Furthering Language Incentive Program (FLIP).
d. Students can apply one University of Iowa course or one study abroad course (3 s.h.) taught in English toward the minor, but all other courses for the minor must be taught in Spanish. See General Catalog for list of approved courses.
e. At least one course for the minor must be a literature, culture, or Hispanic linguistics course.