

West Chester University

B.A. in Languages and Cultures - Spanish Concentration through the Honors College Advisement Sheet

Effective for students entering Spring '26 and later.

Indicate all the courses you have taken at WCU or transferred for credit. For completed courses, also list the grades. Mark an asterisk (*) beside courses you are currently taking.

Students must maintain a grade of "C" in all courses, both required and elective.

I. MAJOR LANGUAGE COURSES

A. Tier 1: Language Skills (9 credits)

SPA 202 (Intermediate Spanish II)

SPA 301 (Advanced Spanish Grammar and Composition)

SPA 302 (Advanced Spanish Grammar and Conversation)

OR

SPA 303 (Spanish for Heritage Speakers)

B. Tier 2: Proficiency (6 credits)

SPA 315 (Advanced Readings in Spanish)

SPA 353 (Introduction to the Study of Language: Spanish)

OR

SPA 365 (Spanish Phonetics)

C. Tier 3: Competency Content (9 credits)

Select one course from each of the following groups:

Cultural Analysis

SPA 320 (Cultures of Spain)

SPA 321 (Cultures of Latin America)

SPA 322 (Latin America on Film (in Spanish))

Literary Analysis

SPA 330 (Spanish Narrative)

SPA 331 (Latin American Narrative)

SPA 332 (Exile, Land, Language, and Love in Medieval and Early Modern Spain)

Language and Linguistics

SPA 340 (Study of Bilingualism: An Introduction)

SPA 370 (History of the Spanish Language)

D. Tier 4 (3 credits)

Select at least one 400-level course in cultural, film, or literacy studies.

SPA 402 (Spanish Comedia of the Golden Age)

SPA 405 (Modern Hispanic Literature (18-19th C))

SPA 407 (Contemporary Spain)

SPA 456 (Senior Seminar in Hispanic Literacy, Film, and Cultural Studies I)

SPA 457 (Senior Seminar in Hispanic Literacy, Film, and Cultural Studies II)

SPA 472 (Nobel Laureates in Hispanic Letters)

E. Second Language

Demonstration of proficiency in a second language through the Intermediate II level, by placement testing or coursework through 202 (credit by examination and/or CLEP permitted).

F. Connections: Common to all Languages (6 credits)

LAN 327 (Introduction to Linguistics for Language)*

LNC 368 (Comparative Cultural Studies)

* NOTE: LIN 230/ENG 230 may substitute.

G. Immersion Experience (3-12 credits) *

Immersion study and/or internship work is an essential component of the B.A.L.C. curriculum. Languages and cultures are inextricably entwined. The goal of the immersion experience, which is a requirement for graduation, is to enable students to apply linguistic and cultural knowledge in an authentic social context, and for them to experience the challenges and the gratification of living in another culture.

*NOTE: See the department chairperson and student handbook for options.

H. Capstone Requirement (3 credits)

SPA 444 (Advanced Spanish Proficiency Development)

II. HONORS COLLEGE CORE SEQUENCE for GEN ED (27 credits)

HON 100 (Self Awareness)

HON 211 (Public Discourse)

HON 212 (Ethics & Technology)

HON 310 (Community Change)

HON 311 (Stewardship/Civic Responsibility)

HON 312 (Educational Systems) or

HON 322 (Leader. With ELLs)

HON 313 (Public Opinion)

HON 314 (Environ. Systems)

HON 315 (Community & Arts)

SCIENCE x

MAT x

III. ADDITIONAL HONORS COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS (9 credits)

A) Two HON seminars at the 320 level or above (except 322)

HON

B) Capstone Project^

HON 490

^NOTE: Enrollment upon core completion: ideally 6th or 7th semester.

IV. DIRECTED ELECTIVES

Take enough directed electives to complete 120 credits. The actual number of electives required will vary depending upon (among other things) the option to complete a minor(s) and the number of courses the student must take to complete the foreign language requirement.

Bring this sheet with you whenever you meet with your advisor about scheduling or course planning!

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