

SAMPLE Four-Year Plan
B.A. Spanish
FALL 2022 Requirements

The curriculum in the Spanish major is flexible and allows students to move through the coursework in many ways. This four-year plan illustrates one possible path a new freshman could take to complete a degree in four years. This is not an official document and is not the only way that a Spanish degree can be completed in four years. Current students should refer to their individual Academic Advising Report for specific graduation requirements. Courses in bold indicate major-based coursework that is completed in the first year.

First Year

Fall Semester	Units
English 101 Intro to College Writing and Reading	3
Gened CORE 140 Global OR 120 Historical Perspectives	3
Spanish 141 Beginning Spanish I	4
General Education elective	3
Intrauniversity 104 New Student Seminar	1
Total Credits	14

Spring Semester	Units
English 102 Intro to College Writing, Reading, Research	3
Math 139 Quantitative Reasoning	3
Spanish 142 Beginning Spanish II	3
Gened CORE 130 Individual and Society	4
PEGNRL 192 Personal Health and Fitness for Life	1
Total Credits	14

Notes: The math and English courses you will take during your first year will depend on UW System placement exam scores. This four-year plan reflects the math and English courses most common for students in this major. All students are encouraged to complete placement testing prior to attending Warhawks SOAR (Student Orientation, Advising, and Registration). Students with prior Spanish language experience should complete the UW System placement test to determine appropriate placement in the major. Heritage speakers are encourage to speak with the World Languages Coordinator for placement. This plan assumes no previous language experience in Spanish. Students who begin the major in higher-level Spanish courses have the opportunity to complete a double major, additional minor, or certificate programs within the 120 credits needed for graduation.

Opportunities: Spanish conversation and cultural interaction opportunities are available through Spanish Club, Latinos Unidos, International Student Association, Sigma Delta Pi (Spanish Honor Society), and Admira La Música de Las Americas (ALMA, Latin Dance Organization).

Second Year

Fall Semester	Units
Spanish 251 Intermediate Spanish I	4
Gened CORE 110 CORE World of the Arts	3
US Racial/Ethnic Diversity course	3
University Requirement GN/GQ course	3
Minor course	3
Total Credits	16

Spring Semester	Units
Spanish 252 Intermediate Spanish II	4
Communication 110 Intro to Human Communication	3
BA 300/400 Level Breadth Requirement course	3
Minor course	3
Minor course	3
Total Credits	16

Notes: A study abroad or travel study experience is strongly recommended for this program. There are many opportunities for students to study abroad in Spanish-speaking countries. Planning for this experience typically takes place in the sophomore year with the study abroad experience taking place in the junior year. Travel opportunities can be found through the Center for Global Education (<http://www.uww.edu/international>). In addition, faculty routinely organize and lead travel study courses that involve in-class learning during the semester followed by a short-term travel experience either in the US or abroad.

Opportunities: Students in the Spanish major may be interested in completing the Global Engagement certificate. To earn the Global Engagement Certificate, students must assemble a reflective portfolio as well as complete four globally-focused courses, achieve foreign language proficiency equivalent to four semesters at the college level, study/live abroad for six or more weeks, and attend six extra-curricular internationally focused experiences on campus.



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Third Year

Fall Semester	Units
Spanish 321 Advanced Spanish Language Study I	3
300-Level Spanish elective	3
Gened CORE 390 World of Ideas	3
English 370 Advanced Composition	3
Minor course	3
Total Credits	15

Spring Semester	Units
Spanish 322 Advanced Spanish Language Study II	3
Spanish 350 Spanish or 360 Spanish American Civilization	3
Spanish 390 Spanish Conversation	1
University Requirement Lab Science (GL) course	4-5
Minor course	3
Total Credits	14-15

Notes: The Spanish major requires 17 credits of Spanish courses beyond Spanish 252, 6 credits of 400-level Spanish literature courses, and Spanish 350 Spanish Civilization or 360 Spanish American Civilization. While Spanish 321 and 322 are not specifically required, those courses are strongly recommended and included on this plan.

Opportunities: Undergraduate research is highly recommended for students who have an interest in attending graduate school in the future. Completing a directed research project with a faculty mentor has many benefits: it develops a student's critical thinking and writing abilities, signals to graduate school programs that a student is prepared for independent research of their own, and it can provide a student with financial support since many undergraduate research opportunities are paid. An internship is not required for the Spanish major but can be a great opportunity for practical experience. An internship is an experiential learning opportunity that provides students with hands-on experience in a potential career field, supervision and coaching from prospective employers, and the ability to learn professional norms and behaviors. In addition, completing an internship allows students to differentiate themselves in a competitive job market. Students should begin planning for an internship by the beginning of the junior year and can complete the internship in the junior or senior year.

Fourth Year

Fall Semester	Units
400-Level Spanish Literature course	3
Spanish elective	3
Spanish elective	3
Minor course	3
Minor course	3
Total Credits	15

Spring Semester	Units
400-Level Spanish Literature course	3
Spanish 390 Spanish Conversation	1
Minor course	3
Electives to reach 120 (if needed)	5-9
Total Credits	12-16

Notes: All students must earn 120 credits to earn a bachelor's degree and all requirements in this program can be completed in fewer than 120 credits. Most students have the opportunity to choose additional courses in the fourth year to expand skills, explore interests, or try something new.

Opportunities: LSINDP 399: Career Information in Letters and Sciences is a 1-credit course that focuses on career and graduate school opportunities; identifying skills, strengths, and work values; creating effective job search materials; developing a networking strategy; and planning for a successful post-graduation transition.

Planning for Graduation: Students are encouraged to apply for graduation one full semester prior to their intended graduation date. Information about commencement is on the Registrar's Office website (<http://www.uww.edu/registrar/graduation>) and the application for graduation is available to students in the WINS Student Information System.



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