The Department of Hispanic Studies aims to develop students’ Spanish language skills, to deepen their understanding of Spanish-speaking cultures and literatures domestically and abroad, to sharpen their critical thinking, and to heighten their awareness of their role as local and global citizens in a pluralistic society. The department offers a major with three specialty options and a minor in Spanish.

Hispanic Studies Department Policy for Spanish Language Placement

Students with previous experience with Spanish language in the classroom and who wish to continue with Spanish at UK are placed according to their previous studies. Recommendations for placement into Spanish courses at UK for students who have already studied Spanish in middle or high school are as follows:

- a. If student has no previous experience: SPA 101;
- b. If a student has 1-3 years of previous study: SPA 103;
- c. If a student has 4 or more years of study (but not AP): SPA 203;
- d. If a student is currently taking AP Spanish Language or Literature or has not received their exam score yet: SPA 203 and contact the Spanish department after score comes in for possible change;
- e. If a student has taken AP Spanish Language or AP Spanish Literature and has received their scores: AP Score of 1-2: SPA 203; AP Score of 3-5: see UK AP/IB chart;
- f. If a student has taken IB Spanish: place according to UK AP/IB chart;
- g. Is a student is bilingual or a Heritage Speaker: contact Dr. Ruth Brown;  
- h. If a student has earned the Seal of Biliteracy: SPA 203 unless there are other measures to support a more advanced placement (AP scores/IB equivalency / Heritage speaking status).

If you have any questions regarding the use and scope of the placement exam, please contact the Hispanic Studies department directly at 859-257-2565.

120 hours (minimum)

Any student earning a Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree must complete a minimum of 39 hours at the 300+ level. These hours are generally completed by the major requirements. However, keep this hour requirement in mind as you choose your course work for the requirements in the major. See the complete description of College requirements for a Bachelor of Arts degree in the Arts and Sciences section of the 2023-2024 Undergraduate Catalog.

UK Core Requirements

See the UK Core section of the 2023-2024 Undergraduate Catalog for the complete UK Core requirements. The courses listed below are (a) recommended by the college, or (b) required courses that also fulfill UK Core areas. Students should work closely with their advisor to complete the UK Core requirements.

I. Intellectual Inquiry in Arts and Creativity

Choose one course from approved list .........................................................3

II. Intellectual Inquiry in the Humanities

Choose one course from approved list .........................................................3

III. Intellectual Inquiry in the Social Sciences

Choose one course from approved list .........................................................3

IV. Intellectual Inquiry in the Natural, Physical, and Mathematical Sciences

Choose one course from approved list ..........................................................3

V. Composition and Communication I

CIS/WRD 110 Composition and Communication I ...........................................3

VI. Composition and Communication II

CIS/WRD 111 Composition and Communication II .........................................3

VII. Quantitative Foundations

Choose one course from approved list ..........................................................3

VIII. Statistical Inferential Reasoning

Choose one course from approved list ..........................................................3

IX. Community, Culture and Citizenship in the USA

Choose one course from approved list ..........................................................3

X. Global Dynamics

Choose one course from approved list ..........................................................3

UK Core hours .........................................................................................30

Graduation Composition and Communication Requirement (GCCR)

SPA 323 Introduction to Spanish Translation ..................................................3

Graduation Composition and Communication Requirement hours (GCCR) ...........3

College Requirements

I. Foreign Language (completed by Premajor Requirement)

II. Disciplinary Requirements

a. Natural Science .................................................................6
b. Social Science .................................................................6
c. Humanities (completed by Major Requirements) .................................1

III. Laboratory or Field Work .................................................................1

IV. Race and Ethnicity Requirement ..........................................................0-3

V. Electives .........................................................................................6

College Requirement hours: ..................................................................19-22

*Premajor Requirements

SPA 210 Spanish Grammar and Syntax .........................................................6

SPA 211 Intermediate Spanish Conversation ...............................................6

or

SPA 215 Written Spanish for Bilingual Students ...........................................3

Premajor hours: ..................................................................................3-6

*The premajor requirements may be fulfilled by AP exam – credit bearing – or departmental placement exam – non-credit bearing.

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### Major Requirements

#### Major Core Requirement

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**Major Core hours:** 3

### Other Course Work Required for the Major

#### From the Major Department:

Choose 10 300+ level Spanish courses to include at least 4 courses at the 400+ level from any of the 3 available options and that fulfill the requirements for one of the three options listed below 30

#### From Outside the Major Department:

Choose 3 courses outside Spanish (SPA) with any of the following prefixes at the 200+ level that complement the major. Courses used to satisfy College requirements may also count here. Courses with prefixes not listed below must be approved by the Director of Undergraduate Studies. 9

### Total Major hours: 

42

### OPTIONS

#### Option A – Spanish Language and Linguistics

**Required Course**

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**Specialty Option Courses**

Choose 18 credit hours from Language and Linguistics courses:

*SPA 300 Contact Zones: Cultivating Intercultural Competence* 3
*SPA 302 Spanish for Business Professionals* 3
*SPA 313 Advanced Spanish Language* 3
*SPA 323 Introduction to Spanish Translation* 3
*SPA 332 Spanish and Latin American Business Environments* 3
*SPA 397 Independent Work in Spanish* 3
*SPA 399 Field Based/Community Based Education* 1-15
*SPA 400 Special Topics in Hispanic Literatures and Languages (Subtitle required)* 3
*SPA 410 Advanced Spanish Grammar* 3
*SPA 413 Spanish Phonetics* 3
*SPA 420 Spanish in the World* 3
*SPA 423 Advanced Spanish Translation* 3
*SPA 430 Introduction to Spanish Linguistics* 3
*SPA 480 Hispanic Kentucky* 3
*SPA 497 Hispanic Studies Honors Thesis* 3
*SPA 501 Spanish Phonetics, Pronunciation and Phonemics* 3
*SPA 506 Introduction to Comparative Spanish, Portuguese, and Italian Linguistics* 3

*These courses must have a focus on language or linguistics.*

#### Non-specialty Option Courses

Choose 6 credit hours from Literature and Culture courses:

**SPA 300 Contact Zones: Cultivating Intercultural Competence** 3
*SPA 312 Civilization of Spain* 3
*SPA 314 Civilization of Spanish America* 3
*SPA 315 Introduction to Hispanic Literature* 3
*SPA 320 Literature, Life and Thought of Spain* 3
*SPA 322 Literature, Life and Thought of Spanish America* 3
*SPA 324 The Theatre in Spain and Spanish America* 3
*SPA 350 Hispanic Cities (Subtitle required)* 3
*SPA 361 Latin American Literature in Translation (Subtitle required)* 3
*SPA 371 Latin American Cinema (Subtitle required)* 3
*SPA 372 Spanish Cinema (Subtitle required)* 3
**SPA 397 Independent Work in Spanish** 3
**SPA 399 Field Based/Community Based Education** 1-15
**SPA 400 Special Topics in Hispanic Literatures and Languages (Subtitle required)** 3
*SPA 424 Medieval and Early Modern Spanish Studies (Subtitle required)* 3
*SPA 432 18th and 19th Century Spanish Studies (Subtitle required)* 3
*SPA 434 Spanish Literature of the 20th Century* 3
*SPA 438G Literature of Social Protest in Spanish America* 3
*SPA 444 20th and 21st Century Spanish Studies (Subtitle required)* 3
*SPA 454 Colonialism and 19th Century Spanish-American Studies (Subtitle required)* 3
*SPA 464 Contemporary Spanish-American Studies (Subtitle required)* 3
*SPA 474 Topics in Hispanic Studies (Subtitle required)* 3
**SPA 480 Hispanic Kentucky** 3
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**SPA 519 Themes in Medieval and Early Modern Spanish Literature and Culture (Subtitle required)**

**SPA 529 Themes in Modern and Contemporary Spanish Literature, Culture and Film (Subtitle required)**

**SPA 539 Themes in Latin American Literature, Culture and Film (Subtitle required)**

### Additional Courses

Choose *6* credit hours from either list.

*These courses must have a focus on literature or culture.*

**Total SPA hours:** 30

### Option B – Spanish Literature and Culture

#### Required Course

SPA 310 Spanish Composition Through Textual Analysis

#### Specialty Option Courses

Choose *18* credit hours from Literature and Culture courses:

- **SPA 300 Contact Zones: Cultivating Intercultural Competence**
- SPA 312 Civilization of Spain
- SPA 314 Civilization of Spanish America
- SPA 315 Introduction to Hispanic Literature
- SPA 320 Literature, Life and Thought of Spain
- SPA 322 Literature, Life and Thought of Spanish America
- SPA 342 The Theatre in Spain and Spanish America
- SPA 350 Hispanic Critics (Subtitle required)
- SPA 361 Latin American Literature in Translation (Subtitle required)
- SPA 371 Latin American Cinema (Subtitle required)
- SPA 372 Spanish Cinema (Subtitle required)
- **SPA 397 Independent Work in Spanish**
- **SPA 399 Field Based/Community Based Education** 1-15
- **SPA 400 Special Topics in Hispanic Literatures and Languages (Subtitle required)**
- SPA 424 Medieval and Early Modern Spanish Studies (Subtitle required)
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- SPA 464 Contemporary Spanish–American Studies (Subtitle required)
- SPA 474 Topics in Hispanic Studies (Subtitle required)
- **SPA 480 Hispanic Kentucky**
- **SPA 497 Hispanic Studies Honors Thesis**
- SPA 519 Themes in Medieval and Early Modern Spanish Literature and Culture (Subtitle required)
- SPA 529 Themes in Modern and Contemporary Spanish Literature, Culture and Film (Subtitle required)
- SPA 539 Themes in Latin American Literature, Culture and Film (Subtitle required)

*These courses must have a focus on literature or culture.*

### Non-specialty Option Courses

Choose *6* credit hours from Language and Linguistics courses:

- **SPA 300 Contact Zones: Cultivating Intercultural Competence**
- SPA 312 Civilization of Spain
- SPA 314 Civilization of Spanish America
- SPA 315 Introduction to Hispanic Literature
- SPA 320 Literature, Life and Thought of Spain
- SPA 322 Literature, Life and Thought of Spanish America
- SPA 324 The Theatre in Spain and Spanish America
- SPA 350 Hispanic Critics (Subtitle required)
- SPA 361 Latin American Literature in Translation (Subtitle required)
- SPA 371 Latin American Cinema (Subtitle required)
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- SPA 400 Special Topics in Hispanic Literatures and Languages (Subtitle required)
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- SPA 529 Themes in Modern and Contemporary Spanish Literature, Culture and Film (Subtitle required)

**Total SPA hours:** 30

### Option C – Spanish (General)

#### Required Course

SPA 310 Spanish Composition Through Textual Analysis

#### Specialty Option Courses

Choose *9* credit hours from Language and Linguistics courses:

- **SPA 300 Contact Zones: Cultivating Intercultural Competence**
- SPA 302 Spanish for Business Professionals
- SPA 313 Advanced Spanish Language
- SPA 323 Introduction to Spanish Translation
- SPA 332 Spanish and Latin American Business Environments
- **SPA 397 Independent Work in Spanish**
- **SPA 399 Field Based/Community Based Education** 1-15
- **SPA 400 Special Topics in Hispanic Literatures and Languages (Subtitle required)**
- SPA 410 Advanced Spanish Grammar
- SPA 413 Spanish Phonetics
- SPA 420 Spanish in the World
- SPA 423 Advanced Spanish Translation
- SPA 430 Introduction to Spanish Linguistics
- SPA 480 Hispanic Kentucky
- **SPA 497 Hispanic Studies Honors Thesis**
- SPA 501 Spanish Phonetics, Pronunciation and Phonemics
- SPA 506 Introduction to Comparative Spanish, Portuguese, and Italian Linguistics
- SPA 506 Introduction to Comparative Spanish, Portuguese, and Italian Linguistics
- SPA 508 Spanish Literature and Culture (Subtitle required)
- SPA 519 Themes in Medieval and Early Modern Spanish Literature and Culture (Subtitle required)
- SPA 529 Themes in Modern and Contemporary Spanish Literature, Culture and Film (Subtitle required)
- SPA 539 Themes in Latin American Literature, Culture and Film (Subtitle required)
- SPA 540 Special Topics in Hispanic Literatures and Languages (Subtitle required)
- SPA 546 Contemporary Spanish–American Studies (Subtitle required)
- SPA 569 Field Based/Community Based Education
- SPA 599 Field Based/Community Based Education
- **SPA 600 Special Topics in Hispanic Literatures and Languages (Subtitle required)**

*These courses must have a focus on language or linguistics.*

### Non-specialty Option Courses

Choose *9* credit hours from Literature and Culture courses:

- **SPA 300 Contact Zones: Cultivating Intercultural Competence**
- SPA 312 Civilization of Spain
- SPA 314 Civilization of Spanish America
- SPA 315 Introduction to Hispanic Literature
- SPA 320 Literature, Life and Thought of Spain
- SPA 322 Literature, Life and Thought of Spanish America
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- SPA 540 Special Topics in Hispanic Literatures and Languages (Subtitle required)
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- SPA 569 Field Based/Community Based Education
- SPA 599 Field Based/Community Based Education
- **SPA 600 Special Topics in Hispanic Literatures and Languages (Subtitle required)**

**Total SPA hours:** 30

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SPA 539 Themes in Latin American Literature, Culture and Film (Subtitle required) ........................................................................... 3

Additional Courses
Choose 12 credit hours from either list ................................................................. 12

**These courses must have a focus on literature or culture.

Total SPA hours: .................................................................................................. 30