Spanish Studies Major

Requirements

The Spanish studies major is an individualized interdisciplinary major consisting of ten courses numbered SPAN 2001 Spanish Language and Literature and higher.

All Spanish studies majors will develop an individual course of study with concentration on a particular target area or track in close consultation with the assigned departmental Spanish studies major adviser.

The Spanish studies major will normally include:

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<td>SPAN 2001</td>
<td>Spanish Language and Literature</td>
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<td>or SPAN 2301</td>
<td>Advanced for Spanish Speakers</td>
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<td>SPAN 2500</td>
<td>Approaches to Literature</td>
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<td>SPAN 3001</td>
<td>Spain: Literature and Culture Survey</td>
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<td>or SPAN 3002</td>
<td>Latin America: Literature and Culture Survey</td>
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<td>Select seven additional upper-level courses</td>
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1 A prerequisite for all courses numbered 3000 and above.
2 A minimum of four courses must be at the 3000 level or above. A list of courses with the SPAN subject code can be found here.

All Spanish studies majors will develop an individual course of study on a particular area in close consultation with the assigned departmental Spanish studies major adviser. Sample tracks include:

- Spanish and Visual Arts
- Spanish and the Global Market
- Spanish and Another Related Field in the Humanities
- Spanish in the U.S.
- Spanish and Medieval Studies

A minimum of four courses, including SPAN 3001 Spain: Literature and Culture Survey and/or SPAN 3002 Latin America: Literature and Culture Survey, must be at the 3000 level.

Courses numbered lower than 2001 will not count toward the major. Heritage speakers of Spanish, who are initially placed in SPAN 2301 Advanced for Spanish Speakers, will fulfill the language core requirement with this course and will begin the Spanish studies major at this level.

Students who place out of either SPAN 2001 or SPAN 2301 will replace them with an upper-level elective course.

Students will be required to keep a portfolio of all their work, provide a written proposal of their unique course of study, and give a final written or oral presentation during the spring of their senior year, in which they discuss a topic that demonstrates the coherence of the chosen track. The majority of classes will be taught in Spanish, but up to three related courses in the target area or track may be taken in English, when necessary. All such courses must be approved in advance by the Spanish studies major adviser. To this end, students will need to provide their adviser with the course syllabus for approval prior to registering for the class.

All courses counting towards the core language requirement and the major or the minor in a modern foreign language, literature and culture must be taken for credit and a letter grade. When AP or IB credits are awarded as equivalent to the 1502 level in a language, these credits will be applied toward the core language requirement and, as elective credits, toward graduation, but they will not be applied toward the major or the minor in that language.

Study Abroad

A maximum of three courses taken abroad for one semester and a maximum of four courses taken abroad for one year may apply toward the Spanish studies major. These courses must be approved by the Spanish studies major adviser prior to studying abroad.

Honors

Students who exhibit exceptional potential and intellectual curiosity and have a minimum GPA of 3.67 in the major may choose to write a senior thesis for Honors in Spanish studies. Students should consult their Spanish major adviser for advice and guidelines on this option early in their junior year.

Availability

The major in Spanish studies is available at Fordham College at Rose Hill and Fordham College at Lincoln Center. Students in Fordham School of Professional and Continuing Studies may major in Spanish studies only if their schedules are sufficiently flexible to permit them to take day courses at the Rose Hill or Lincoln Center campuses.

Fordham College at Rose Hill students: The requirements above are in addition to those of the Core Curriculum.

Fordham College at Lincoln Center students: The requirements above are in addition to those of the Core Curriculum.

Professional and Continuing Studies students: The requirements above are in addition to those of the PCS Core Curriculum.

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