

**(SPAN) SPANISH COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**  
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**SPAN 1010 - Elementary Spanish I (3)**

Basic skills fundamental to language proficiency and culture.

**SPAN 1020 - Elementary Spanish II (3)**

Further development of basic skills fundamental to language proficiency and culture. PREREQUISITE: SPAN 1010, or equivalent.

**SPAN 2010 - Intermediate Spanish I (3)**

Comprehensive review of Spanish grammar, exercises in writing conversation, and readings in Hispanic literature and culture. PREREQUISITE: SPAN 1020, or equivalent.

**SPAN 2020 - Intermediate Spanish II (3)**

More advanced readings. PREREQUISITE: SPAN 2010, or equivalent.

**SPAN 3301 - Conversation (3)**

Designed to help students develop oral proficiency; diverse opportunities for self-expression. Not intended for students with native or near-native proficiency in Spanish. PREREQUISITE: SPAN 2020, or equivalent.

**SPAN 3303 - Composition (3)**

Designed to develop adequate writing skills; compositions analyzed to identify and avoid frequent grammatical errors and to avoid interference from English. Not intended for students with native or near-native proficiency. PREREQUISITE: SPAN 2020 or equivalent.

**SPAN 3304 – Introduction to Hispanic Studies (3)**

Introduction to Hispanic studies through the fields of linguistics, literature, culture, and Spanish for the professions. PREREQUISITE: SPAN 3301 or 3303 or permission of the instructor.

**SPAN 3308 - Spanish Phonetics (3)**

Designed to develop strong pronunciation skills; presents basic principles of Spanish phonetics and examines the features of several dialects of this language. PREREQUISITE or COREQUISITE: three 3000-level courses, equivalent, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 3311 - Intermediate Conversation (3)**

Designed to develop strong conversational and listening skills; includes wide variety of activities, exposure to different pronunciations and native conversational speed; selected readings to help expand vocabulary. Not intended for students with native or near-native proficiency. PREREQUISITE: SPAN 3301, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 3312 - Advanced Conversation (3)**

Further vocabulary expansion, precision in diction, and ability to express and understand non-technical subjects. PREREQUISITE: SPAN 3311, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 3313 - Advanced Composition (3)**

Designed to develop strong command of written language; emphasis on style, organization and exposition of content as opposed to grammatical analysis. PREREQUISITE: SPAN 3303, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4306 - Applied Span Linguistics (3)**

Current research in linguistics, psycholinguistics and sociolinguistics and their contribution to second language teaching and second-language learning. PREREQUISITE: minimum of three 3000-level Spanish courses,

equivalent, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4307 - Advanced Grammar/Writing (3)**

Special problems in Spanish grammar pertaining to perterite and imperfect, "ser" and "estar"; special verb constructions; subjunctive, definite, indefinite articles; writing styles; vocabulary and idiomatic expressions. Recommended for major and minor. PREREQUISITE: minimum of three 3000-level Spanish courses or equivalent.

**SPAN 4308 - Advanced Grammar/Speech (3)**

Special problems in Spanish grammar pertaining to propositions, placement of descriptive adjectives, passive voice, reflexive substitute, past participle in absolute constructions, relative pronouns; speech production, vocabulary, idiomatic expressions. Recommended for majors and minors. PREREQUISITE: minimum of three 3000-level Spanish courses or equivalent.

**SPAN 4310 - Spanish of Heritage Speakers (3)**

Designed for heritage and advanced non-native speakers who need to demonstrate strong skills in speaking and writing in a professional setting, i.e., teaching, business, legal, and other areas where this competence will be required to apply for a job. PREREQUISITE: demonstration of fluency corresponding to that acquired by a heritage speaker, or minimum of five upper-division Spanish courses, or equivalent, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4410 - Spanish Lit and Civilization (3)**

Survey of literary movements and major figures with readings in literature and civilization. Required of majors. PREREQUISITE: minimum of three 3000-level Spanish courses, or equivalent, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4431 - Contemporary Spanish Prose (3)**

Spanish prose from Generation of 1898 to present. PREREQUISITE: minimum of three 3000-level Spanish courses, or equivalent, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4432 - Contemporary Spanish Poetry/Drama (3)**

Spanish poetry and drama from Generation of 1898 to present. PREREQUISITE: minimum of three 3000-level Spanish courses, or equivalent, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4510 - Spanish American Lit/Civilization (3)**

Survey of literary movements and major figures with readings in literature and civilization. Required of majors. PREREQUISITE: minimum of three 3000-level Spanish courses, or equivalent, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4561 - Pre-Contemporary Spanish American Fiction (3)**

Development of Spanish American novel and short story from beginnings through 20th century. PREREQUISITE: minimum of three 3000-level Spanish courses, or equivalent, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4562 - Contemporary Spanish American Fiction (3)**

Spanish American novel and short story of 20th century. PREREQUISITE: minimum of three 3000-level Spanish courses, or equivalent, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4563 - Hispanic Literature Genres (3)**

Hispanic literature; selections from origins to present time; emphasis on textual analysis. Required for majors. PREREQUISITE: minimum of three 3000-level Spanish courses, or equivalent, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4564 – Hispanic Cinema (3)**

Survey of Latin American film, focusing on socio-cultural issues. PREREQUISITE: minimum of three 3000-level Spanish courses, or equivalent, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4701 - Spanish for Commerce I (3)**

Spanish business terminology and correspondence. PREREQUISITE: any 3000-level Spanish course, or

permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4702 - Spanish for Commerce II (3)**

Business concepts and documents. PREREQUISITE: any 3000 level Spanish course, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4703 - Languages/Cultures/Communities (3)**

Focus on Spanish related to health professions from a cultural and communicative standpoint; familiarity with written and oral vocabulary as well as with cultural knowledge for the assessment of Spanish speaking health professionals in a variety of settings. PREREQUISITE/COREQUISITE: minimum of three 3000-level Spanish courses, or equivalent, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4704 - Spanish for Healthcare (3)**

Study of Spanish related to health professions. Students will gain familiarity with written and oral vocabulary for the assessment of Spanish speaking health professionals in a variety of settings. PREREQUISITE: minimum of three 3000-level Spanish courses, or equivalent, or permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4780 - Individual Study Spanish (1-3)**

Directed individual study in selected areas of Spanish chosen in consultation with instructor. May be repeated for a maximum of 6 hours credit. PREREQUISITE: permission of instructor.

**SPAN 4790-99. Special Topics in Literature and Linguistics (3)**

Topics in Spanish linguistics, literature or culture designed to be of special interest for the advanced student in Spanish. May be repeated for maximum of 9 hours credit. PREREQUISITE: minimum of three 3000-level courses in Spanish or equivalent.