

# Spanish Language and Literature

## Bachelor of Arts (BA)

### Modern and Classical Languages

#### About the Major

The Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Spanish Language and Literature is designed to develop the ability to communicate in Spanish and introduces students to masterpieces of the literature of Spanish-speaking countries and significant aspects of Hispanic culture. Our degree prepares you to think critically, intelligently articulate your ideas both orally and in writing, and to perceive and understand the world from a variety of perspectives. This program also serves as a pre-major for students who wish to enter the Spanish Education program.

#### Program Requirements

**Spanish Language and Literature (39 credit hours) GPA: 2.50-3.00**

##### Required (27 cr.)

- SPA 201 Intermediate Spanish I
- SPA 202 Intermediate Spanish II
- SPA 301 Introduction to Hispanic Culture
- SPA 302 Introduction to Hispanic Media
- SPA 303 Introduction to Reading Hispanic Literature
- SPA 306 Civilization and Culture of Spain
- SPA 309 Culture and Civilization of Latin America
- SPA 321 Issues in Contemporary Hispanic Cultures

##### Select one from the following:

- SPA 307 Spanish Authors Pre-1800
- SPA 308 Spanish Authors 1800- Present
- SPA 310 Spanish American Literature Authors 1492-1810
- SPA 311 Spanish American Authors 1810- Present

##### Electives (12 cr.)\*

- SPA 200 Spanish of Education Professionals I
- SPA 203 Professional Spanish I
- SPA 204 Professional Spanish II
- SPA 206 Spanish for Education Professionals II
- INE 390 Study Abroad
- SPA 305 Spanish Phonetics
- SPA 307 Spanish Authors Pre-1800\*
- SPA 308 Spanish Authors 1800-Present\*
- SPA 310 Spanish-American Literature Authors 1492-1810\*
- SPA 311 Spanish American Authors 1810-Present\*
- SPA 317 Business Spanish
- SPA 389 Topics Course
- SPA 401 Spanish for Spanish Teachers
- SPA 402 Spanish Drama of the Golden Age
- SPA 404 Cervantes
- SPA 405 Old Spanish
- SPA 406 19<sup>th</sup> Century Spanish Literature
- SPA 408 20<sup>th</sup> Century Spanish Literature
- SPA 410 Literacy for Spanish Teaching
- SPA 411 Spanish-American Lit of the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries: Novel, Short Story and Essay
- SPA 412 Spanish-American Literature of the 20<sup>th</sup> C
- SPA 415 Advanced Grammar and Composition
- SPA 416 Advanced Conversation
- SPA 421 Structure of Modern Spanish
- SPA 496 Seminar I
- SPA 497 Seminar II
- SPA 499 Community Spanish

\*SPA 307,308,310 and 311 may count as electives if not taken for requirement; limit of two 200 level electives



# Recommendations for Spanish Language and Literature Majors

## Career Information

Spanish is the second most widely spoken native language, after Chinese. Twenty-one countries list Spanish as an official language. The BA degree in Spanish prepares you for immediate professional entry into a broad range of career fields or for the continuation of Spanish studies at the graduate level. Here are some possible careers available to those with Spanish degrees:

### Business:

International Relations Consultant  
Foreign Exchange Trader  
Publishing Specialist  
Foreign Correspondent  
Proofreader  
Importer/Exporter  
International Account Manger

Translator/Interpreter  
International Banking Officer  
Bilingual customer support

### Culture/Tourism:

Cultural Events Coordinator  
Travel Agent  
Translator/Interpreter

### Education:

Bilingual educator  
College Professor

## Minor Areas of Study

Buffalo State College offers several minors that complement the BA in Spanish Language and Literature. The Department of Modern and Classical Languages suggests the following as possible minors for Spanish BA candidates: Candidates may choose other minors according to individual interests.

International Studies  
Italian Language and Literature  
Business Economics  
Art History  
Design  
Political Science

French Language and Literature  
German Language and Literature  
African and African American Studies  
International Economics  
Museum Studies  
Theater

## Study Abroad

Buffalo State and the University at Buffalo co-sponsor the Programa de Estudios Hispánicos. This summer program offers participants the opportunity to sample Spain's historical and artistic treasures and to earn six credits in Spanish language and culture at **University of Salamanca**, Spain's oldest university. By staying with a Spanish family, students strengthen their language skills and experience Spanish culture firsthand.

Other study abroad possibilities are present in sister institutions within SUNY. The Department of Modern and Classical Languages strongly encourages all our students in language and literature to study abroad during their undergraduate careers!

More information on Study Away can be found on the International Education Office's website, below:

<http://www.buffalostate.edu/studyabroad/>

## Spanish Language Education

For candidates who might be interested in becoming a Spanish teacher in middle or high schools, the Bachelor of Arts (BA) serves as a pre-major from which candidates can easily transfer into the Bachelor of Science (BS) in Spanish Education at Buffalo State College.

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