

**Requirements for the Spanish/
Hispanic Studies Major & Minor (SPA)**

SPANISH MAJOR (33 credit hours)

Language (6 hours)

3 hrs SPN 3300 Advanced Grammar & Composition*

3 hrs SPN 4301 Expository Writing

Civilization (6 hours)

3 hrs SPN 3500 Spanish Civilization

3 hrs SPN 3520 Spanish American Civilization

Literature (9 hours)

3 hrs SPW 3030 Introduction to Hispanic
Literary Studies

3 hrs One of:

SPW 4100 Survey of Spanish Literature I

SPW 4101 Survey of Spanish Literature II

3 hrs One of:

SPW 4130 Survey of Spanish American Literature
I

SPW 4131 Survey of Spanish American Literature
II

Electives (12 hours)

12 hrs Electives are selected from 3000-4000 level
courses with SPN or SPW prefix and may include
one course (3 hours) of Spanish/Spanish
American literature in translation. Two of these
elective courses must be at the 4000 level

SPANISH MINOR (18 credit hours)

Required courses (6 credit hours):

3 hrs *SPN 3300 Advanced Grammar & Composition

3 hrs SPN 4301 Expository Writing

Electives (12 hours)

12 hrs Electives are selected from 3000-4000 level
courses with SPN or SPW prefix and may include
one course (3 hours) of Spanish/Spanish
American literature in translation. Two of these
elective courses must be at the 4000 level

* SPN 3300 may be substituted for native speakers by SPN 2340
Advanced Spanish for Native Speakers I -OR- SPN 2341
Advanced Spanish for Native Speakers II

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or minor at USF visit the World Languages
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Information for students who
plan to major or minor in
Spanish at the University of
South Florida

Bienvenidos / Welcome

The mission of the department of World Languages at the University of South Florida is to increase international and diverse cultural and aesthetic awareness, and to provide opportunities for the enhancement of practical communication across linguistic and cultural boundaries.

An undergraduate major or minor in Spanish/Hispanic Studies builds competencies in speaking, reading, and writing the Spanish language which will open communication channels with the more than 350 million native speakers of Spanish who reside in 21 different countries.

Spanish is today one of the world's most spoken languages.

- It is the mother tongue of populations in three different continents – Europe, the Americas, and Africa.
- It ties cultures from the northern Atlantic to the Pacific Rim and from the Pyrenees in Spain to Patagonia in the southern tip of Argentina.
- It is one of the most used languages in international business and on the Internet.

In the United States, Hispanics, many of whom speak Spanish at home, are the fastest growing ethnic group. There is an increased demand for Spanish language media of all types – television, radio, and print media such as newspapers and magazines. In today's multicultural, global economy knowledge of the

Spanish language and the culture of the Spanish speaking countries is an invaluable asset.

The ties between the United States and the Spanish-speaking world are long standing and date back to the Spanish voyages at the end of the 15th century. The encounter between Spain and the indigenous inhabitants of the 'New World' is a recurring theme in cultural manifestations of the Spanish-speaking world. The student of Spanish/Hispanic Studies will come to understand through investigation of Hispanic literature, film, music, and other artistic manifestations the circumstances that gave distinctive character to English speaking North America and the Spanish speaking nations of the Caribbean, Mexico, Central and South America.

Miguel de Cervantes' *Don Quijote de la Mancha* (1605) and Gabriel García Márquez' *Cien años de soledad* (1967) have become landmarks of world literature. Authors from the Spanish-speaking world have been recognized with several Nobel prizes in literature, among them Octavio Paz (Mexico, 1990), Camilo José Cela (Spain, 1989), Gabriel García Márquez (Colombia, 1982), Vicente Aleixandre (Spain, 1977), Pablo Neruda (Chile, 1971), Juan Ramón Jiménez (Spain, 1956), and Gabriela Mistral (Chile, 1945).

In addition, Spanish language cinema has frequently taken top honors in the category of Best Foreign Language Film at the Oscars: *Belle Époque* (Trueba, Spain), *The Discreet Charm of the Bourgeoisie* (Buñuel, Spain), *The Official Story* (Puenzo, Argentina), *All about My*

Mother (Almodóvar, Spain), and *The Sea Inside* (Amenábar, Spain).

The rich musical, culinary, and artistic traditions from the Hispanic world have been fundamental to create, preserve and develop new forms of cultural expression in the Hispanic-speaking world, including the United States. The advanced study of languages and cultural contexts will promote a deeper understanding of the historical, literary and sociopolitical circumstances that have produced and continue to produce such expressions.

The undergraduate program in Hispanic studies provides an excellent foundation for future graduate studies in Hispanic literature, ethnic studies, the social sciences, and international affairs.

A bachelor's degree in Spanish/Hispanic Studies can lead to career paths in public and government affairs, business, advertising, marketing, broadcasting, and journalism, as well as the service professions including education, criminal justice, social work, public health, and paralegal work. Developing both linguistic and cultural competence in Spanish, the second most spoken language in the United States and the fourth in the world, is a decided advantage— one which the degree in Spanish/Hispanic studies will give you.

