

# Spanish Education Major (EC-A or MC-EA Certification) - Bachelor of Science (BS)

## Overview

### Spanish advising

Students should consult with an advisor in the Department of Modern Languages regarding their individual plan of study. Students planning to pursue graduate studies in Spanish need to be aware of special requirements.

### Spanish policy of transfer of study abroad credits

The following policy applies to all Spanish credits taken abroad. Students may transfer the following credits per term from study abroad experiences:

#### Winter term:

4 weeks: 4-5 credits

#### Summer term:

4 weeks: 4-5 credits

6 weeks: 6-8 credits

8 weeks: 8-10 credits

10 weeks: 8-10 credits

#### Fall/Spring semester term:

12-16 weeks: 12 credits (Exceptions may be allowed for partner programs.)

*In the case of one year study abroad, there is a maximum of 16 credits which students majoring in Spanish can take abroad and apply to the major (nine credits applicable for minors). Credits taken in excess of that can be transferred to UWL as university elective credit.*

## Major requirements

Admission requirements to EC-A and MC-EA teacher certification programs (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/education/#DES>)

(Teacher certification programs: early childhood-adolescence certification and middle childhood-early adolescence certification)

46 credits minimum for EC-A certification; 33 credits minimum for MC-EA certification.

Students majoring in Spanish education complete the Spanish education core requirements and one of two certification tracks (see below). All Spanish education majors must also complete study abroad, proficiency, and student teaching requirements.

| Code                      | Title                                   | Credits |
|---------------------------|---|---------|
| <b>Bridge course:</b>     |   |         |
| SPA 300                   | Oral Proficiency Through Grammar Review | 4       |
| <b>300 level courses:</b> |   |         |
| Language:                 |   |         |
| SPA 330                   | Advanced Grammar and Syntax             | 3       |

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| SPA 331               | Spanish Phonetics  | 3  |
| Culture/civilization: |  |    |
| SPA 308               | Cultures and Civilizations of the Spanish Speaking World | 3  |
| Literature:           |  |    |
| SPA 305               | Introduction to Hispanic Literature                      | 3  |
| Total Credits         |  | 16 |

## Choose one of the two certification tracks below:

### Early Childhood-Adolescence Certification track (30 credits)

| Code                             | Title                                  | Credits |
|----------------------------------|--|---------|
| <b>400 level coursework:</b>     |  |         |
| <b>Language:</b>                 |  |         |
| SPA 410                          | Advanced Conversation                  | 3       |
| SPA 460                          | Introduction to Hispanic Linguistics   | 3       |
| <b>Culture/civilization:</b>     |  |         |
| Select three credits from:       |  | 3       |
| SPA 320                          | Spanish Civilization                   |         |
| SPA 321                          | Spanish American Civilization          |         |
| SPA 351                          | Films in Spanish                       |         |
| SPA 390                          | Topics in Hispanic Cultures            |         |
| SPA 495                          | Senior Seminar in Hispanic Studies     |         |
| SPA 498                          | Independent Study                      |         |
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| <b>Literature:</b>               |  |         |
| Select three credits from:       |  | 3       |
| SPA 402                          | Spanish Literature II                  |         |
| SPA 403                          | Studies in Hispanic Literature         |         |
| SPA 420                          | Latin American Literature I            |         |
| SPA 421                          | Latin American Literature II           |         |
| SPA 425                          | Latino Literature of the United States |         |
| SPA 440                          | The Spanish Novel                      |         |
| SPA 441                          | The Spanish Theater                    |         |
| SPA 491                          | Films and Literature                   |         |
| <b>Electives:</b> <sup>1</sup>   |  |         |
| Select six credits of electives: |  | 6       |
| SPA 306                          | Spanish for the Health Professions     |         |
| SPA 315                          | Business Spanish                       |         |
| SPA 320                          | Spanish Civilization                   |         |
| SPA 321                          | Spanish American Civilization          |         |
| SPA 351                          | Films in Spanish                       |         |
| SPA 390                          | Topics in Hispanic Cultures            |         |
| SPA 402                          | Spanish Literature II                  |         |
| SPA 403                          | Studies in Hispanic Literature         |         |
| SPA 420                          | Latin American Literature I            |         |
| SPA 421                          | Latin American Literature II           |         |
| SPA 425                          | Latino Literature of the United States |         |
| SPA 440                          | The Spanish Novel                      |         |
| SPA 441                          | The Spanish Theater                    |         |
| SPA 491                          | Films and Literature                   |         |
| SPA 495                          | Senior Seminar in Hispanic Studies     |         |
| SPA 498                          | Independent Study                      |         |

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| SPA 499  | Independent Study   |    |
| or any of the above courses if not used in a previous category |   |    |
| <b>Language education:</b>                                     |   |    |
| GCL 306  | Introduction to Second Language Acquisition                         | 3  |
| GCL 406  | Language Assessment and Testing                                     | 3  |
| <b>Methods:</b>  |   |    |
| MLG 473  | Teaching World Languages: From Early Childhood to Early Adolescence | 3  |
| MLG 474  | Teaching World Languages: From Early Adolescence to Adolescence     | 3  |
| Total Credits  |   | 30 |

<sup>1</sup> A maximum of six credits may be applied from a Spanish faculty approved study abroad program. Courses can apply to the electives if they were not used in a previous category.

### Middle Childhood-Early Adolescence Certification track (17 credits)

| Code                            | Title   | Credits |
|---------------------------------|---|---------|
| <b>Civilization:</b>            |   |         |
| SPA 320                         | Spanish Civilization  | 3       |
| SPA 321                         | Spanish American Civilization                                       | 3       |
| SPA 326                         | Current Events  | 1       |
| <b>Linguistics and grammar:</b> |   |         |
| SPA 427                         | Spanish Grammar for Teachers  | 1       |
| SPA 460                         | Introduction to Hispanic Linguistics                                | 3       |
| <b>Language education:</b>      |   |         |
| GCL 306                         | Introduction to Second Language Acquisition                         | 3       |
| <b>Methods:</b>                 |   |         |
| MLG 473                         | Teaching World Languages: From Early Childhood to Early Adolescence | 3       |
| Total Credits                   |   | 17      |

#### Study abroad requirement:

- All students should consult with their advisor in Spanish regarding specific requirements for study abroad.
- All Spanish education majors are required to complete an approved foreign language immersion experience of at least 14 weeks (one semester); **MC-EA students** should consult with a Spanish advisor when planning this experience;
- EC-A students** are required to complete the 300 level core of courses before studying abroad; **MC-EA students** must take SPA 308, SPA 330, and one additional 300 level Spanish course applicable to the major before studying abroad;
- EC-A students** may take up to six credits of the elective category abroad. Consult with Spanish advisor for applicability.

#### Proficiency requirements:

Prior to student teaching, teacher candidates are required to

- Demonstrate proficiency with an "Intermediate High" rating on the American Council Teaching of Foreign Languages Oral Proficiency test in Spanish (ACTFL-OPIC) and
- Demonstrate proficiency with an "Intermediate High" rating on the American Council Teaching of Foreign Languages Written Proficiency test in Spanish (ACTFL-WPT internet).

#### Student teaching and other teacher education requirements:

Other teacher education and pedagogy courses, including appropriate field experiences and student teaching at the appropriate levels, are required and listed with the School of Education (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/education>).

### Degree requirements

All teacher education students must complete the general education, School of Education, major/minor, and university degree requirements in order to qualify for a degree. The easiest way to track all of these requirements is to refer to the Advisement Report (AR) found in the Student Information System (WINGS) Student Center. All enrolled students have access to the AR.

- General education (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/generaleducation>)
- School of Education requirements (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/education>)
- Baccalaureate degree requirements (p. 2)

### Baccalaureate degree requirements

Candidates for the Bachelor of Arts or the Bachelor of Science degrees must accomplish the following:

- Fulfill the general education requirements.
- Complete at least one ethnic studies (diversity) course.
- Complete the courses prescribed by the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee for the degree desired in the respective school or college. (No substitutions for graduation may be made in course requirements for a major or minor after the fourth week of the last semester of the senior year.)
- Earn a minimum of 120 semester credits with at least a 2.00 cumulative GPA.<sup>1</sup> At least 40 credits must be earned in 300/400 (senior college) level courses. Courses earned at the 100/200 level that transferred to UWL as 300/400 level courses do not apply to this requirement nor do courses from two-year schools.
- Complete major and minor requirements with at least a 2.00 GPA<sup>1</sup> in each major and minor (and concentration or emphasis, if selected).
- A minimum of 30 semester credits in residence at UWL is required for graduation. (See undergraduate resident requirement (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/academicpolicies/graduation/#undergraduate-residence-requirement>).
- Submit an application for graduation via the "Apply for Graduation" link in the WINGS Student Center as soon as the student has registered for his or her final semester or summer term in residence. December and winter intersession graduates should apply by May 1. May and summer graduates should apply by December 1.

<sup>1</sup> Grade point average requirements for some programs will be considerably higher than 2.00. Re-entering students may be required to earn credits in excess of the 120 needed for graduation in any curriculum in order to replace credits earned in courses in which the content has changed substantially in recent years. Each case will be judged on its own merit.

**No degree will be awarded unless all requirements are fulfilled and recorded within 30 days after the official ending date of each term.**