

SPANISH MAJOR CHECKSHEET

College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences  
Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures

**BACHELOR OF ARTS IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES (BAFL)**  
FOR STUDENTS GRADUATING IN THE 2021 CALENDAR YEAR

**Students must earn 33 SPAN credits regardless of initial course placement. If you have AP or IB Spanish credit, see your Spanish Advisor.**

**Spanish Major Requirements: 33 semester hours**, consisting of the following courses:

All 4 of the following:

- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3105 Grammar Conversation & Composition (3 cr.; prereq.: 2106)
- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3106 Grammar Conversation & Composition (3 cr., prereq.: 3105)
- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3126 \* Spanish for Oral Proficiency  
(3 cr.; No pre-registration--attend first day of class for Admission by Oral Exam)
- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3304 Introduction to Hispanic Literature (3 cr., prereq.: 3106)

\* Students not placing into or out of 3126 are strongly advised to take 3125, which is designed to enable students to achieve the level of oral proficiency required for entry into 3126. For most students, the hours represented by 3125 will be in addition to the minimum of 33 hours required for the major.

5 of the following:\*\*

- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3404 Early Peninsular Culture & Literature (3 cr.; prereq.: 3304)
- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3414 Modern Peninsular Culture & Literature (3 cr.; prereq.: 3304)
- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3444 Early Spanish American Culture & Literature (3 cr.; prereq.: 3304)
- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3464 Modern Mexican and Central American Culture & Literature (3 cr.; prereq.: 3304)
- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3474 Modern Spanish-Caribbean Culture & Literature (3 cr.; prereq.: 3304)
- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3484 Modern Andean and Southern Cone Culture & Literature (3 cr.; prereq.: 3304)

\*\* At least 2 courses must be selected from: 3404, 3414, 3444, 3464, 3474, 3484.

- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3494 Introduction to Hispanic Linguistics (3 cr.; prereq.: 3304)
- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3514 Spanish for the Medical Professions (3 cr.; prereq.: 3304)
- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3524 Introduction to Spanish Translation (3 cr.; prereq.: 3304)
- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3534 Spanish for the Business Professions (3 cr.; prereq.: 3304)
- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3544 Sounds of Spanish (3 cr.; prereq.: 3304)
- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 3554 Teaching Spanish (3 cr.; prereq.: 3304)

\*\* At least 1 course must be selected from: 3494, 3514, 3524, 3534, 3544, 3554.

2 courses at the 4XXX level: \*\*\*

- \_\_\_\_\_ SPAN 4XXX (3 cr.; prereq. varies according to content)
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\*\*\*The following count as 4000-level courses:

- SPAN 4104 (Advanced Grammar & Style)
- SPAN 4114 (Topics in Spanish Linguistics)
- SPAN 4124 (Spanish Translation: Theory & Technique)
- SPAN 4304 (Studies in Medieval & Golden Age Literature)
- SPAN 4314 (Studies in 18th & 19th Century Literature)
- SPAN 4324 (Studies in 20th Century Literature)
- SPAN 4334 (Special Topics in Hispanic Life, Literature & Language)
- SPAN 4344 (Span. Am. Literature & the Representation of History)
- SPAN 4794 (Senior Tutorial in Spanish Studies)

**Note:**

- In-major courses: All of the above are considered in-major courses. A minimum grade of "C" is required in each of these courses. A minimum overall GPA of 2.0 as well as an in-major GPA of 2.0 are required.
- AP exam credit or IB diploma credit may possibly be used to satisfy certain requirements for the major; please see your Spanish Advisor as soon as possible to make these substitutions.
- Some Spanish courses may also be used to meet Area 2 requirements. See the current Curriculum for Liberal Education (CLE).
- Priority is given to Spanish majors and minors for registration in Spanish courses.

**First Year Experience (FYE) University Requirement**

\_\_\_\_\_ RLCL 1004 Investigations in Religion and Culture (3 cr.) – required unless another FYE course is completed for a second major

**Curriculum for Liberal Education (CLE) – for the College of Liberal Arts and Human Sciences**

1. Writing & Discourse (English):

either \_\_\_\_\_ ENGL 1105 and 1106;  
or \_\_\_\_\_ COMM 1015 and 1016;  
or \_\_\_\_\_ ENGL 1204H;  
or \_\_\_\_\_ Advanced Placement  
or \_\_\_\_\_ other: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Scientific Reasoning & Discovery: 6 cr. from the University-approved list.

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2. Ideas, Cultural Traditions, & Values: 6 cr. from the University-approved CLE list (may be Spanish courses or from other disciplines)

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5. Quantitative & Symbolic Reasoning: 6 cr. from the University-approved list.

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3. Society & Human Behavior: 6 cr. from the University-approved CLE list

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6. Creativity & Aesthetic Experience: 3 cr. from the University-approved CLE list.

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7. Critical Issues in a Global Context:  
3 cr. from the University-approved CLE list. May also satisfy other requirements.

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**Electives:** \_\_\_\_\_ credits

**TOTAL CREDITS required for graduation: 120**

**GRAND TOTAL** \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Graduation Requirements:**

- As a major in Spanish, you will have completed the Foreign Language (FL) requirement at Virginia Tech:
  - Students who completed 3 years of a single FL in high school have completed the requirement.
  - Students who did not complete 3 years of a single FL in high school may complete the requirement as follows:
    - Complete 2 years of a single language in high school plus 1106 or equivalent in college (these 3 hours count toward the 120 required for graduation) OR
    - Complete 1105-1106 or equivalent in college (these 6 hours do not count toward the 120 required for graduation)

**Additional Information on Requirements:**

- Courses for the major, minor, or Curriculum for Liberal Education cannot be taken Pass/Fail (exception: SPAN 3125 & 3126).
- Courses taken in a major or minor may count toward meeting the Curriculum for Liberal Education.
- Courses may count in only one area of the Curriculum for Liberal Education. For example, TA 2014 may only count as credit in either Area 2 OR Area 6. The exception to this rule is Area 7, where a course in this Area MAY count in another Area. See the guide to Curriculum for Liberal Education for specifics.

**Transfer Credit:**

- Students may transfer no more than 18 of the last 45 cr. of coursework. Study Abroad credits fall under this rule if they are not VT-sponsored study abroad programs.
- At least 25% of the 120 hours required for the degree and 25% of the 33 hours required for the major must be completed at VT. For a Spanish major, that is at least 8.25 credits (3 classes, essentially).
- A form titled "Authorization to Take Courses Elsewhere" must be filled out and signed by the student, the student's Spanish Advisor, and the Director of the Office of Education Abroad before the student departs on the study abroad program.
- A maximum of 50% of the required credits for a degree may be earned at a two-year college.

**Satisfactory Progress toward Degree:**

By the time a student majoring in Spanish has completed 72 semester credits (including transfer, advanced placement, advanced standing, and course withdrawal), the student must have completed satisfactorily the following courses in Spanish: 3105, 3106, 3304, and one of the following: 3404, 3414, 3444, 3464, 3474, 3484, 3494, 3514, 3524, 3534, 3544, 3554. Satisfactory completion means a C or better (in each required course in the major).