

## AA Spanish

The Spanish department offers classes at a variety of levels, from beginner to literature. There are classes for students of Spanish as a foreign language, as well as classes specifically designed for native Spanish speakers. In addition to improving students' linguistic abilities, all courses include discussion of aspects of the culture of Spanish speakers.

The ability to speak another language is an important advantage in today's world. In particular, given the demographics in California, knowledge of Spanish is a plus in many occupations and may be a requirement for certain positions.

### Career Opportunities

Spanish majors may go on to become bilingual teachers or teachers of Spanish, translators or interpreters. A working knowledge of Spanish is a valuable skill for those wishing to pursue careers in business, international relations, social work, health services, education and tourism. Given the demographics in California, knowledge of Spanish is a plus, and may be a requirement, in occupations that involve communication with Spanish-speakers.

### Program Learning Outcomes

Students completing this program will be able to:

1. Compare and contrast cultural elements from Spanish speaking countries with their own culture, both within the Latino culture in the United States and American culture in general.
2. Produce and understand oral and written communication at an Advanced High level, as defined by the ACTFL.
3. Recognize their own errors and self-correct in order to improve accuracy in Spanish grammar and spelling.
4. Compare and contrast cultural aspects of Spanish-speaking countries, including art, music, history, socio-economic and political realities.

### AA Degree Requirements

#### Major: Core and Selective Requirements

#### Complete Core Courses, 8 or 9 units\*

**\* For native speakers of Spanish: complete Core Courses, 8 units**

		Units
SPAN 220	Spanish for Heritage Speakers I	4 units
SPAN 230	Spanish for Heritage Speakers II	4 units

**\* For non-native speakers of Spanish: complete Core Courses, 8 units**

		Units
SPAN 130	Intermediate Spanish	4 units
SPAN 140	Advanced Intermediate Spanish	4 units

**Selective Courses, choose a minimum of 12 units from the following:**

		Units
ENGL 200	Introduction to Linguistics: A Survey of Language	3 units
	<b>OR</b>	
LING 200	Introduction to Linguistics: A Survey of Language	3 units
HIST 246	History of Latinos in the U.S.	3 units
	<b>OR</b>	
HIST 422	Modern Latin America	3 units
LIT. 371	Mexican-American Literature	3 units
	<b>OR</b>	
LIT. 372	Myth and Folklore of La Raza	3 units
	<b>OR</b>	
LIT. 373	Latin American Literature in Translation	3 units
MUS. 240	Latin American Music	3 units
SPAN 110	Elementary Spanish	5 units
	<b>OR</b>	
SPAN 111	Elementary Spanish I	3 units
	<b>AND</b>	
SPAN 112	Elementary Spanish II	3 units
SPAN 120	Advanced Elementary Spanish	5 units
	<b>OR</b>	
SPAN 121	Advanced Elementary Spanish I	3 units
	<b>AND</b>	
SPAN 122	Advanced Elementary Spanish II	3 units
SPAN 140	Advanced Intermediate Spanish	4 units
SPAN 145	Spanish Conversation through Film	3 units
SPAN 162	Latino Literature II	3 units
SPAN 220	Spanish for Heritage Speakers I	4 units
SPAN 230	Spanish for Heritage Speakers II	4 units
	Any language other than ENGL or SPAN	3 - 10 units



***And required General Education coursework and electives as needed to meet the minimum 60 units required for the Associate degree.***

