

Duluth Campus

Hispanic Studies B.A.

World Languages & Cultures

College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

- **Students will no longer be accepted into this program after Fall 2020. Program requirements below are for current students only.**
- **Students interested in this program should see either the Spanish Studies B.A. or minor.**

- Program Type: Baccalaureate
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2020
- Required credits to graduate with this degree: 120
- Required credits within the major: 27 to 48
- Study abroad will be strongly encouraged, to be determined by student interest and focus, throughout the Spanish-speaking world.
- Degree: Bachelor of Arts

The Hispanic studies program fosters the development of cross-cultural competency and broader world perspectives through the study of history, cultural production, and texts of Spanish-speaking communities and cultures, and their concomitant inherent diversity. This major presupposes the acquisition of the Spanish language in order to carry out coursework in the study, analysis, and understanding of literary texts and cultural products from Spain, Latin America, and United States Latino communities. It prepares students for graduate or professional school programs such as law, or for work in government or with agencies and businesses having international ties. It provides students with traditional liberal education.

Honors requirements: Departmental honors will be awarded to students according to the following process: Students who achieve a 3.30 GPA in upper division language courses at UMD will be invited by program faculty to submit a portfolio of excellent work done in the language for consideration by faculty in the program. The faculty then will decide if honors will be awarded, based on that portfolio.

Program Delivery

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

Admission Requirements

For information about University of Minnesota admission requirements, visit the [Office of Admissions website](#).

General Requirements

The Board of Regents, on recommendation of the faculty, grants degrees from the University of Minnesota. Requirements for an undergraduate degree from University of Minnesota Duluth include the following:

1. Students must meet all course and credit requirements of the departments and colleges or schools in which they are enrolled including an advanced writing course. Students seeking two degrees must fulfill the requirements of both degrees. However, two degrees cannot be awarded for the same major.
2. Students must complete all requirements of the [Liberal Education Program](#).
3. Students must complete a minimum of 120 semester credits.
4. At least 30 of the last 60 degree credits earned immediately before graduation must be awarded by UMD.
5. Students must complete at least half of their courses at the 3xxx-level and higher at UMD. Study-abroad credits earned through courses taught by UM faculty and at institutions with which UMD has international exchange programs may be used to fulfill this requirement.
6. If a minor is required, students must take at least three upper division credits in their minor field from UMD.
7. The minimum cumulative UM GPA required for graduation will be 2.00 and will include only University of Minnesota coursework. A minimum UM GPA of 2.00 is required in each UMD undergraduate major and minor. No academic unit may impose higher grade point standards to graduate.
8. Diploma, transcripts, and certification will be withheld until all financial obligations to the University have been met.

Program Requirements

1) A second field of study (either a minor, another major or dual degree). Students majoring in Hispanic Studies cannot minor in Latin American Studies, but they may double major. Students double majoring in Hispanic Studies and Latin American Studies must have a

third field of study (another major, minor or dual degree).

Note: Students pursuing both the Hispanic Studies B.A. and the Teaching Spanish B.A.A. must satisfactorily complete 12 non-overlapping upper division credits of Spanish electives over and above the requirements for the B.A.A. to receive both degrees.

- 2) Two elective courses applicable to the major must be taken through UMD.
- 3) Study abroad is encouraged for all students and the department makes every effort to facilitate such experiences.
- 4) Oral proficiency exam.

First Term Requirement (1 cr)

Transfer students with 24 or more credits and current UMD students who change colleges to CLA are exempt from this requirement. New first-year students with 24 or more PSEO credits may request to be waived from this requirement.

[UST 1000](#) - Learning in Community (1.0 - 2.0 cr)

Core (0-20 cr)

The core program in language skills (listening, speaking, reading, writing) is common to all majors and minors. Native and heritage speakers, as well as students with previous language study may be exempt from some core requirements and should consult the department about placement. Students need to complete the Advanced Spanish language course (SPAN 2301) before other upper division content courses that emphasize literature and culture.

[SPAN 1101](#) - Beginning Spanish I [LE CAT, COMM & LAN] (4.0 cr)

[SPAN 1102](#) - Beginning Spanish II [LE CAT, COMM & LAN] (4.0 cr)

[SPAN 1201](#) - Intermediate Spanish I [LE CAT, COMM & LAN] (4.0 cr)

[SPAN 1202](#) - Intermediate Spanish II [LE CAT, COMM & LAN] (4.0 cr)

[SPAN 2301](#) - Advanced Spanish [LE CAT, COMM & LAN] (4.0 cr)

Upper Division Electives (23-24 cr)

Take at least 5 courses for a minimum of 23-24 credits. Most SPAN 3xxx-4xxx level courses apply here. To enroll in these courses students must have earned a C or better in SPAN 2301, be currently enrolled, or have instructor consent. With adviser consent, some upper-division Spanish courses may be transferred and/or earned abroad, but at least two courses must be taken through UMD.

Take 23 or more credit(s) from the following:

- [SPAN 3020](#) - Advanced Spanish for Business (4.0 cr)
- [SPAN 3042](#) - Civilization, Cultures and Communities in Latin America [HUMANITIES, GLOBAL PER] (4.0 cr)
- [SPAN 3044](#) - Civilization, Cultures and Communities of Spain [HUMANITIES, GLOBAL PER] (4.0 cr)
- [SPAN 3097](#) - Internship (1.0 - 3.0 cr)
- [SPAN 3894](#) - Language and Culture in Spain - Study Abroad [GLOBAL PER] (6.0 cr)
- [SPAN 4011](#) - Latin American Prose [HUMANITIES] (4.0 cr)
- [SPAN 4013](#) - Latin American Poetry and Drama [HUMANITIES] (4.0 cr)
- [SPAN 4017](#) - Latin American Cinema and Culture [FINE ARTS] (4.0 cr)
- [SPAN 4018](#) - Latin America From Within [HUMANITIES] (4.0 cr)
- [SPAN 4019](#) - Seminar: Latin America in the 21st Century [HUMANITIES] (4.0 cr)
- [SPAN 4022](#) - Medieval and Golden Age Literature and Culture of Spain [HUMANITIES] (4.0 cr)
- [SPAN 4027](#) - Contemporary Literature and Culture of Spain [HUMANITIES] (4.0 cr)
- [SPAN 4028](#) - Literature and Culture of Spain 18th to the 20th Century [HUMANITIES] (4.0 cr)
- [SPAN 4030](#) - Cinema and Culture of Spain [FINE ARTS] (4.0 cr)
- [SPAN 4090](#) - Aspects of the Hispanic World [HUMANITIES] (4.0 cr)
- [SPAN 4091](#) - Independent Study (1.0 - 4.0 cr)
- [SPAN 4095](#) - Special Topics: (Various Titles to be Assigned) (4.0 cr)

•Optional Elective

One of the following courses (taught in English) applies to the "Upper Division 23-24 Electives." However, students majoring in Hispanic Studies may take both Latin American courses taught in English (SPAN 2540 & SPAN 2550) by exception. With prior approval from an advisor, selected courses may be taken in another department or program if related to the major.

Take 0 - 1 course(s) from the following:

- [ANTH 3632](#) - Latin American Cultures (3.0 cr)
- [ARTH 3110](#) - Art of the Ancient Americas (3.0 cr)
- [ARTH 3130](#) - Modern and Contemporary Mexican Art (3.0 cr)
- [ARTH 3140](#) - Women in Art/Visual Culture in Latin America (3.0 cr)
- [GEOG 3712](#) - Geography of Latin America (3.0 cr)
- [LING 1811](#) - Introduction to Linguistics [LE CAT2, LOGIC & QR] (3.0 cr)
- [LING 3101](#) *(Inactive)* (3.0 cr)
- [PHIL 2011](#) - Philosophy of Language [LE CAT3, SOC SCI] (3.0 cr)
- [PHIL 3025](#) - Philosophy of Race and Racism [RACE JUST] (4.0 cr)
- [POL 3575](#) - Latin American Politics and Development (3.0 cr)
- [POL 3580](#) - Central American Politics (3.0 cr)
- [WS 3001](#) - Gender Relations in the Global South [GLOBAL PER] (3.0 cr)

•OR take one or both of the following courses:

(Students majoring in Hispanic Studies may apply both courses towards the 'Upper Division 23-24 Electives' by exception.)



- [SPAN 2540](#) - Latino Literatures and Cultures [LE CAT8, LECD CAT08, HUMANITIES, CDIVERSITY] (4.0 cr)
or [SPAN 2550](#) - Globalization and Sustainability in Latin America [SUSTAIN] (4.0 cr)

Advanced Writing Requirement (3 cr)

Recommended: WRIT 3100 - Advanced Writing: Language and Literature

WRIT 31xx - Adv Writing (3 cr)