

HISPANIC STUDIES, SPANISH (BA)

Degree: Bachelor of Arts
Major: Spanish
Concentration: Hispanic Studies
Program Code: 3247

Spanish majors at Colorado Mesa University take classes which provide knowledge and skills intended to produce effective communication in Spanish as well as an understanding of the relationship of the Spanish language and its cultures to the world in which we live. Spanish and Hispanic Studies majors gain valuable insights into Peninsular and Latin-American language and literature as well as their histories and cultures. Students are also introduced to the linguistic properties of the Spanish language, with a focused study of Spanish phonetics and phonology. Students also take classes which provide insights into Spanish in the professions, such as translation, interpreting, and medical. Spanish graduates work in a variety of professions, where they apply their cultural competencies. In addition to that, many continue their studies in graduate schools.

For more information on what you can do with this major, visit Career Services' [What to Do with a Major?](#) resource.

All CMU baccalaureate graduates are expected to demonstrate proficiency in specialized knowledge/applied learning, quantitative fluency, communication fluency, critical thinking, personal and social responsibility, and information literacy. In addition to these campus-wide student learning outcomes, graduates of this major will be able to:

1. Express themselves coherently in written and oral Spanish. (Communication Fluency)
2. Apply knowledge of the structure of the Spanish language, including syntax, phonetics/phonology, and morphology in speech and writing. (Applied Learning)
3. Interpret and analyze important literary and artistic movements/works, history, and/or cultural aspects in relation to the Spanish-speaking world. (Specialized Knowledge)
4. Identify the linguistic and cultural variations that exist in the Spanish-speaking world. (Specialized Knowledge, Critical Thinking)
5. Develop a research project focused on the application of Spanish within a specific field (e.g. significant literary movements/works and the authors; the application of Spanish in a professional context; second language acquisition or teaching methodologies). (Critical Thinking, Information Literacy)
6. Interpret data, including timelines, graphs, and/or statistics, in order to compare commonalities and differences in the Hispanic speaking world. (Quantitative literacy)
7. Demonstrate professional ethics and codes of conduct for specific professions in the Spanish speaking world, including medical field, business, and translation and interpretation (Specialized Knowledge, Ethics)

Requirements

Each section below contains details about the requirements for this program. Select a header to expand the information/requirements for that particular section of the program's requirements.

To print or save an overview of this program's information, including the program description, learning outcomes, requirements, suggested course sequencing (if applicable), and advising and graduation information, scroll to the bottom of the left-hand navigation menu and select "Print Options." This will give you the options to either "Send Page to Printer" or "Download PDF of This Page." The "Download PDF of This Page" option prepares a much more concise presentation of all program information. The PDF is also printable and may be preferable due to its brevity.

Institutional Degree Requirements

The following institutional degree requirements apply to all CMU baccalaureate degrees. Specific programs may have different requirements that must be met in addition to institutional requirements.

- 120 semester hours minimum.
- Students must complete a minimum of 30 of the last 60 hours of credit at CMU, with at least 15 semester hours in major discipline courses numbered 300 or higher.
- 40 upper-division credits (an alternative credit limit applies to the Bachelor of Applied Science degree).
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all CMU coursework.
- A course may only be used to fulfill one requirement for each degree/certificate.
- No more than six semester hours of independent study courses can be used toward the degree.
- Non-traditional credit, such as advanced placement, credit by examination, credit for prior learning, cooperative education and internships, cannot exceed 30 semester credit hours for a baccalaureate degree. A maximum of 15 of the 30 credits may be for cooperative education, internships, and practica.
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- Capstone exit assessment/projects (e.g., Major Field Achievement Test) requirements are identified under Program-Specific Degree Requirements.
- The Catalog Year determines which program sheet and degree requirements a student must fulfill in order to graduate. Visit with your advisor or academic department to determine which catalog year and program requirements you should follow.
- See "Requirements for Undergraduate Degrees and Certificates" in the catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.

Essential Learning Requirements

(31 semester hours)

See the current catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is an Essential Learning option and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection for the Essential Learning requirement.

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
English ¹		
ENGL 111	English Composition I-GTCO1	3
ENGL 112	English Composition II-GTCO2	3
Mathematics ¹		
MATH 110	Mathematical Investigations-GTMA1	3

History	
Select one History course	3
Humanities	
Select one Humanities course	3
Social and Behavioral Sciences	
Select one Social and Behavioral Sciences course	3
Select one Social and Behavioral Sciences course	3
Fine Arts	
Select one Fine Arts course	3
Natural Sciences ²	
Select one Natural Sciences course	3
Select one Natural Sciences course with a lab	4
Total Semester Credit Hours	31

¹ Must receive a grade of "C" or better and must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.

² One course must include a lab.

Other Lower Division Requirements

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
Wellness Requirement		
KINE 100	Health and Wellness	1
Select one Activity course		1
Essential Learning Capstone ¹		
ESSL 290	Maverick Milestone	3
ESSL 200	Essential Speech	1
Total Semester Credit Hours		6

¹ Essential Learning Capstone must be taken after completion of the Essential Learning English and Mathematics requirements, and when a student has earned between 45 and 75 hours.

Foundation Courses

(6 semester hours, must earn a "C" or better in each course)

- This requirement can be waived depending on proficiency and evaluation by Spanish program faculty. If waived, additional coursework may be needed to fulfill program requirements and reach 120 credits.

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
Two consecutive classes in the same foreign language ¹		6
Total Semester Credit Hours		6

¹ Dependent incoming Spanish proficiency level, either FLAS 111 & FLAS 112 or FLAS 211 & FLAS 213 are strongly recommended as these are prerequisites for other courses required for completion of this degree.

Program Specific Degree Requirements

(42 semester hours, must pass all courses with a grade of "C" or higher and maintain a 3.00 cumulative GPA or higher in coursework in this area.)

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
Core Courses		
FLAS 300	Spanish Composition and Grammar	3
FLAS 304	Advanced Oral Production and Composition	3
FLAS 305	Advanced Spanish Grammar and Spanish English Contrasts	3
FLAS 311	History and Culture of Spain	3
FLAS 312	History and Culture of Latin America	3
FLAS 323	Introduction to Hispanic Literature I	3
FLAS 324	Introduction to Hispanic Literature II	3
FLAS 341	Introduction to Hispanic Linguistics	3
FLAS 441	Applied Phonetics and Phonology	3
Hispanic Studies		
Select one of the following:		3
FLAS 424	Advanced Hispanic Literature	
FLAS 446	Spanish Language Variation	
Applied Studies		
Select one of the following:		3
FLAS 431	Spanish for Medical and Social Services	
FLAS 433	Spanish for the Professions	
FLAS 438	Methods and Specialized Practices in Translation	
FLAS 439	Methods and Specialized Practices in Interpreting	
Restricted Electives		
Select two additional 300- or 400-level FLAS or FLAV courses		6
Capstone Experience		
Select one of the following:		3
FLAS 498	Spanish Senior Practicum	
FLAS 499	Internship	
Total Semester Credit Hours		42

General Electives

All college level courses appearing on your final transcript, not listed above that will bring your total semester hours to 120 hours. 35 semester hours may be needed. FLAS 424 and topics courses may be taken more than once as long as the title/content of each course differs.

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
Select electives		35
Total Semester Credit Hours		35

Suggested Course Plan

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
First Year		
Fall Semester		
ENGL 111	English Composition I-GTC01	3
Essential Learning - Humanities		3

Essential Learning - Natural Science		3
FLAS 111	First-Year Spanish I	3
KINE 100	Health and Wellness	1
General Elective		3
Semester Credit Hours		16
Spring Semester		
ENGL 112	English Composition II-GTCO2	3
Essential Learning - History		3
MATH 110	Mathematical Investigations-GTMA1 (or higher)	3
FLAS 112	First-Year Spanish II	3
KINA Activity		1
General Elective		2
Semester Credit Hours		15
Second Year		
Fall Semester		
FLAS 211	Second-Year Spanish I	3
Essential Learning - Social and Behavioral Sciences		3
Essential Learning - Fine Arts		3
Essential Learning - Natural Science with Lab		4
General Elective		3
Semester Credit Hours		16
Spring Semester		
FLAS 213	Spanish Conversation and Grammar	3
FLAS 300	Spanish Composition and Grammar	3
Essential Learning - Social and Behavioral Sciences		3
ESSL 290	Maverick Milestone	3
ESSL 200	Essential Speech	1
General Elective		3
Semester Credit Hours		16
Third Year		
Fall Semester		
FLAS 304	Advanced Oral Production and Composition	3
FLAS 305	Advanced Spanish Grammar and Spanish English Contrasts	3
General Electives (3 courses)		9
Semester Credit Hours		15
Spring Semester		
FLAS 312	History and Culture of Latin America	3
FLAS 324	Introduction to Hispanic Literature II	3
FLAS 341	Introduction to Hispanic Linguistics	3
General Electives (2 courses)		6
Semester Credit Hours		15
Fourth Year		
Fall Semester		
FLAS 311	History and Culture of Spain	3
FLAS 323	Introduction to Hispanic Literature I	3
FLAS 441	Applied Phonetics and Phonology	3
Hispanic Studies Elective		3
General Elective		3
Semester Credit Hours		15
Spring Semester		
FLAS 498 or FLAS 499	Spanish Senior Practicum or Internship	3
Applied Studies Elective		3
Restricted Electives (2 courses)		6
Semester Credit Hours		12
Total Semester Credit Hours		120

Advising and Graduation Advising Process and DegreeWorks

Documentation on the pages related to this program is intended for informational purposes to help determine what courses and associated requirements are needed to earn a degree. The suggested course sequencing outlines how students could finish degree requirements. Some courses are critical to complete in specific semesters, while others may be moved around. Meeting with an academic advisor is essential in planning courses and altering the suggested course sequencing. It is ultimately the student's responsibility to understand and fulfill the requirements for their intended degree(s).

DegreeWorks is an online degree audit tool available in MAVzone. It is the official record used by the Registrar's Office to evaluate progress towards a degree and determine eligibility for graduation. Students are responsible for reviewing their DegreeWorks audit on a regular basis and should discuss questions or concerns with their advisor or academic department head. Discrepancies in requirements should be reported to the Registrar's Office.

Graduation Process

Students must complete the following in the first two months of the semester prior to completing their degree requirements:

- Review their DegreeWorks audit and create a plan that outlines how unmet requirements will be met in the final semester.
- Meet with their advisor and modify their plan as needed. The advisor must approve the final plan.
- Submit the "Intent to Graduate" form to the Registrar's Office to officially declare the intended graduation date and commencement ceremony plans.
- Register for all needed courses and complete all requirements for each degree sought.

Submission deadlines and commencement details can be found at <http://www.coloradomesa.edu/registrar/graduation.html>.

If a student's petition for graduation is denied, it will be their responsibility to consult the Registrar's Office regarding next steps.