

# SPANISH, MA

## REQUIREMENTS

### MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum academic progress and degree requirements (<http://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policiesandrequirements>), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

### MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

#### MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/ Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
Yes	No	No	No	No

#### Mode of Instruction Definitions

**Accelerated:** Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

**Evening/Weekend:** Courses meet on the UW–Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

**Face-to-Face:** Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW–Madison Campus.

**Hybrid:** These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

**Online:** These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

### CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

Requirement Detail	
Minimum Credit Requirement	32 credits
Minimum Residence Credit Requirement	16 credits
Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement	18 credits must be graduate-level coursework. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Graduate Coursework (50%) Requirement policy: <a href="https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244">https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244</a> ( <a href="https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/">https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/</a> ).
Overall Graduate GPA Requirement	3.00 GPA required. Refer to the Graduate School: Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirement policy: <a href="https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203">https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203</a> ( <a href="https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/">https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/</a> ).
Other Grade Requirements	No other grade requirements.

**Assessments and Examinations** Students must submit a research portfolio consisting of three term papers from graduate courses in this program. Students submitting portfolios shall be allowed, but not required, to include in their portfolio a brief statement (approximately 1000 words) explaining their anticipated doctoral research agenda. Each term paper included in the portfolio shall represent a different curricular area. Before submitting their portfolio pieces, students should revise them in accordance with the corrections and comments provided by their course professors during the initial evaluation of those materials. Students must submit their portfolio by March 1, and the portfolio review committee will bring their recommendations to the Departmental Committee for discussion and final decision at the committee's March meeting.

**Language Requirements** No language requirements beyond English and Spanish. However, candidates who expect to go on to the doctoral program are urged to acquire the basic reading knowledge of a second foreign language before completing the portfolio. It should be another Romance Language, Latin, Arabic, or German. Other languages may be considered, with the approval of the department.

### REQUIRED COURSES

Students are introduced to Spanish and Spanish-American literature, literary criticism and linguistics. All departmental graduate courses are considered advanced courses with the exception of survey courses. First-year students must have advisor permission and instructor consent to enroll in a seminar course.

Courses in an outside department may satisfy minimum credit requirements if approved by the Chair. This is not allowable if the student receives advisor approval for up to six credits in non-Spanish language coursework.

#### Spanish MA with a Concentration in Literature <sup>1</sup>

This pathway is based on **six** literary areas:

1. Medieval Literature
2. Golden Age Literature
3. Modern Peninsular Literature
4. Spanish-American Literature I (Colonial through Modernismo)
5. Spanish-American Literature II (From Modernismo to the present)
6. Latinx Studies

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Required Courses <sup>2</sup></b>		<b>15</b>
SPANISH 770	Introduction to the Profession (required for all new teaching assistants)	3

#### Area Coursework

Students must complete one course in each of the six literary areas.

#### Advanced Courses

Students must complete at least 6 credits in advanced courses (numbered 600 and above).

#### Literary Area

Students must complete a course in the literary area in which they choose not to be examined on the MA/PhD qualifying exam.

**Electives** **14**

Students may take up to 6 credits of language courses other than Spanish or English.

Remaining credits typically taken in literature areas

**Total Credits** **32**

<sup>1</sup> These pathways are internal to the program and represent different curricular paths a student can follow to earn this degree. Pathway names do not appear in the Graduate School admissions application, and they will not appear on the transcript.

<sup>2</sup> SPANISH 323 Advanced Language Practice with Emphasis on Expository Writing, SPANISH 320 Spanish Phonetics and SPANISH 770 Introduction to the Profession **do not** satisfy any of the literary or linguistic areas.

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## Spanish MA with a Concentration in Linguistics <sup>1</sup>

This pathway is based on **four** linguistics areas:

1. Phonetics & Phonology
2. Syntax
3. Language Variation & Change
4. Applied Linguistics & Second Language Acquisition.

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Required Courses <sup>2</sup></b>		
SPANISH 770	Introduction to the Profession (required for all new teaching assistants)	3
<i>Advanced Courses</i>		
Students must complete at least 6 credits in advanced courses (numbered 600 and above).		
<i>Area Coursework</i>		
Choose 3 credits from one of the following areas:		
Phonetics Phonology		
Syntax		
Language Variation Change		
<i>Applied Linguistics Second Language Acquisition</i>		
Choose 3 credits in Applied Linguistics Second Language Acquisition.		
<i>Linguistics</i>		
Choose 6 credits from any of the linguistics areas		
<i>Literature</i>		
One literature course		
<b>Electives</b>		<b>14</b>
Students may take up to 6 credits of language courses other than Spanish or English (see "Language Requirements" above)		
Remaining credits typically taken in linguistics areas		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>32</b>

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