# Spanish Major

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The Department of Foreign Language and Literature offers major and minor programs of study in Spanish as well as supporting course work for Westminster College's general education program and Global and Transnational Studies major. The programs of the Department develop speaking, reading, writing, and listening proficiency in Spanish at the beginning, intermediate, and advanced levels as well as an appreciation of the literature and cultures of the people who speak this language. In addition to the practical application of such acquired skills and knowledge to professional fields such as education, business, and science, it is believed that students will gain insight into their own language and culture through firsthand knowledge of another people's means of expression and cultural heritage. Regular work in the development of audio-lingual skills is required of first-year students. It is possible to major in a language without having studied it in high school.

The 30 hours required of the major exclude SPA 101 and SPA 102. The three electives for the Spanish major can include a maximum of two 200-courses (6 credits), except for the travel courses approved by the department. Approved travel courses listed as SPA 200 will count as an elective in the major. Majors must earn a grade of C or better in all Spanish courses needed to satisfy major requirements. Native, near native, or heritage speakers of Spanish need to take a total of 30 credits. Students are encouraged to participate in an approved off-campus program in a country where Spanish is spoken.

Students who intend to become language teachers or to do graduate work in Spanish or related fields are urged to complete course work through the intermediate level in a second foreign language.

To graduate with Honors in Spanish, a student must:
1) Complete five upper-level Spanish Courses, four of which must be literature courses, with at least a 3.6 grade average;
2) Complete SPA 425 Senior Honors Thesis/Project with a grade of A; and
3) Have at least 3.2 overall GPA.

**ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY SHEET** **ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026**

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Student's Last Name First Name Middle Initial

Advisor Date Major Declared

| Course Code | Course Title | Hours | Semester | Grade |
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| **Required Core Courses (21 hours)** | | | | |
| SPA 303 | Advanced Spanish Conversation | 3 | | |
| SPA 305 | Commercial Spanish | 3 | | |
| SPA 330 | Translation I (Spanish to English) | 3 | | |
| SPA 350 | Survey of Hispanic Literature | 3 | | |
| SPA 377 | Spanish Civilization | 3 | | |
| SPA 378 | Latin American Civilization | 3 | | |
| SPA 381 | Advanced Grammar & Composition | 3 | | |
| **Elective Courses (Choose three courses from the following: 9 hours)** | | | | |
| SPA 200 | Study Abroad | 3 | | |
| SPA 203 | Intermediate Spanish I | 3 | | |
| SPA 204 | Intermediate Spanish II | 3 | | |
| SPA 310 | Special Topics | 3 | | |
| SPA 331 | Translation II | 3 | | |
| SPA 332 | Translation Capstone | 3 | | |
| | **Total Hours** | **30** | | |