

SPANISH

Program Requirements

MAJOR IN SPANISH [B.A.]: 38 CREDITS

- Intermediate Spanish II
- Hispanic Cultures: Intermediate Reading & Conversation
- Spanish Grammar Review
- Advanced Conversation
- Spanish or Spanish-American Culture and Civilization
- Advanced Grammar and Composition
- One culture course
- Two literature courses
- One course selected from:
 - Independent Study
 - Student Internship
 - Seminar in Hispanic Topics
 - One other 4000-level Spanish course

MINOR IN SPANISH: 22 CREDITS

- Intermediate Spanish II
- Hispanic Cultures: Intermediate Reading & Conversation
- Spanish Grammar Review
- One culture course
- One literature course
- One four-credit elective above Intermediate Spanish II

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MAJOR [B.S.B.A.]: 76-78 CREDITS

Meet the requirements for the B.S.B.A. in International Business, including the SPANISH LANGUAGE TRACK:

- Intermediate Spanish I
- Intermediate Spanish II
- Hispanic Cultures: Intermediate Reading & Conversation
- Spanish Grammar Review
- One Hispanic civilizations course
- Business Spanish

Program Overview

In High Point University's Spanish program, you'll be part of a thriving language community. Pursue your passion for Spanish through eight semesters of communicative courses, study abroad opportunities, service learning involvement, and extracurricular activities. Beginner, intermediate, and advanced students develop translanguing and transcultural competence through direct contact with the language, literatures, and cultures of the Hispanic world. This allows them to interact with native speakers of Spanish and provides access to an international future in complex global communities. Many students combine their major or minor in Spanish with another major such as International Business, International Relations, Communications, and Exercise Science. Advanced learners can explore such diverse topics as business Spanish, Latin American and Caribbean Studies, medical Spanish, and Hispanic identity through food, music, or political movements. By majoring or minoring in Spanish, you will develop a global mindset by strengthening your language skills, adaptability, passion for diversity, and cultural curiosity.



Experiential Learning

When you choose to study Spanish at HPU, you join a passionate community of students who learn by directly experiencing Spanish language and Hispanic cultures. Spanish majors and minors engage with the Latino community of High Point through internships with businesses and nonprofit organizations and Service Learning courses where service, leadership, and ethics meet for the common good. Explore the world and earn credits towards your degree through Global Experience (Maymester) short-term exchanges and Semester programs. We currently offer exchange and affiliated programs in countries such as Chile, Spain, Costa Rica, Argentina, and Ecuador.

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Student Activities

Find your way to be extraordinary in the Spanish program with HPU Spanish Club; Sigma Delta Pi, the National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society; or Café Tertulia, a weekly Spanish conversation hour. These, like all departmental activities inside and outside the classroom, are supported by our dedicated faculty: expert teachers and scholars from the Dominican Republic, Spain, Chile, Cuba, Argentina, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Brazil, Honduras, and the United States.

Our Students

In the Spanish program, students create their own journey to discover the world and themselves, but this is only the beginning. Upon graduation, they are ready to use their cultural and language expertise in a variety of career paths.

Celia Glenn (Spanish, Journalism '18)

"There is something intimidating and cringe-worthy about trying to learn a new language: it's difficult and unfamiliar and it makes you feel inadequate. However, going from a Spanish minor to a Spanish major taught me not to settle for small goals."

Hunter Fleming (Spanish, Exercise Science '18)

"While I was on the Maymester trip to Seville, Spain my professors challenged me to step outside of my comfort zone and immerse myself in the rich Spanish culture. This trip had such an enormous impact on my life and academic career that I declared Spanish as my second major!"

Kate Pappas (International Business, Economics minor '18)

"Traveling to Spain and overlooking the entire city of Barcelona was truly indescribable. At that moment I was thankful for my HPU Spanish family. My peers and professors encouraged me to embrace the culture, cherish the food, attempt to dance like the locals, and be confident in my Spanish studies."

Griffin Spencer (Spanish, Business Administration '16)

Griffin is the Senior Coordinator of Latin American Sales for Fleet Laboratories in Lynchburg, VA. Griffin says: "My job consists of generating sales and coordinating the sales [...] for 8 of 30 territories in Latin and South America as well as the Caribbean. I have regular sales calls in Spanish, speak almost exclusively with my supervisor in Spanish, and have opportunities to travel when we do site visits to evaluate new distribution channels."

Catherine Bakewell (Spanish, French minor '17)

Spanish faculty chose Catherine as the recipient of the Thomas E. Scott Award for Outstanding Major in 2017. She has already achieved success as a researcher in literary and cultural studies: a course term paper, "El barberillo de Lavapiés: la zarzuela como la voz española," which she presented at two research symposia, was accepted for publication in Portales, an undergraduate research journal published at Columbia University. Catherine's first stop after graduation was as an English teacher as part of the Teaching Assistant Program in France. She plans to pursue graduate studies in Comparative Literature in French and Spanish.



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