

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF ARTS
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Academic Year
For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education Summer 2020 through Spring 2021

General Requirements	
Minimum Total Credit Hours	120
Minimum Upper-Division Hours	48
Major Hours	36
Minimum Retention/Graduation Grade Point Averages:	
Overall - Combined and OU	2.00
Major - Combined and OU	2.00

Program
Spanish
B850
Bachelor of Arts

OU encourages students to complete at least 30 hours of applicable coursework each year to have the opportunity to graduate in 4 years.

GENERAL EDUCATION AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS

Courses graded P/NP will not apply

Courses for fulfillment of General Education and College of Arts & Sciences requirements must be from the approved General Education course list published in the Class Schedule or at <http://www.ou.edu/gened/courses>.

UNIVERSITY-WIDE GENERAL EDUCATION (MINIMUM 40 HOURS) AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core Area I: Symbolic and Oral Communication		
<i>English Composition (6 hours)</i>		
ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition	3
ENGL 1213	Principles of English Composition	3
	or EXPO 1213 Expository Writing	
<i>Foreign Language (0-13 hours in the same language)</i>		
The college requirement cannot be met by high school coursework.		
	Beginning Course	0-5
	Beginning Course, continued	0-5
	Intermediate Course (2000 level) ^{1,2}	0-3
<i>Mathematics (3 hours)</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education Mathematics list		
		3
Core Area II: Natural Science (7 hours, including one laboratory component)		
<i>Biological Science</i>		
Choose an approved General Education Natural Science course with one of the following prefixes: BIOL, HES, MBIO, or PBIO ¹		
		3-4
<i>Physical Science</i>		
Choose an approved General Education Natural Science course with one of the following prefixes: AGSC, ASTR, CHEM, GEOG, GEOL, GPHY, METR, or PHYS ¹		
		3-4
Core Area III: Social Science (6 hours)		
P SC 1113	American Federal Government	3
Choose one course from the General Education Social Science list		
		3
Core Area IV: Humanities (18 hours)		
<i>Understanding Artistic Forms</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education Artistic Forms list		
		3
<i>Western Civilization and Culture</i>		
HIST 1483	United States to 1865	3
	or HIST 1493 United States, 1865 to the Present	
Choose one course from the General Education Western Civilization & Culture list (excluding HIST 1483/1493)		
		3
<i>Non-Western Culture</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education Non-Western Culture list		
		3
<i>Additional Core IV Upper-Division Humanities courses</i>		
Choose one course from Understanding Artistic Forms, Western Civilization & Culture, or Non-Western Culture ^{1,3}		
		3
Choose one course from Understanding Artistic Forms, Western Civilization & Culture, or Non-Western Culture ^{1,3}		
		3
Core Area V: Senior Capstone Experience (3 hours)		
Choose one General Education Capstone course		
		3
Total Credit Hours		56

¹College of Arts and Sciences Requirements: college requirements are not automatically fulfilled by a previous degree.

²One course at the intermediate level or demonstrated competency at that level

³6 upper-division hours, 2 courses, at the 3000- 4000-level. **Must be outside the major.**

FREE ELECTIVES

Electives to bring total applicable hours to the minimum total required for the degree including 48 upper-division hours.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

- Some courses required for the major may also fulfill University General Education and/or College of Arts & Sciences Requirements.
- The major requires 36 hours beyond SPAN 1115 and SPAN 1225.
- A grade of C or better must be earned in all Major Requirements.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core Requirements		
SPAN 1115	Beginning Spanish (5 hours)	
SPAN 1225	Beginning Spanish (Continued) (5 hours)	
SPAN 2113	Intermediate Spanish	3
SPAN 2223	Intermediate Spanish Continued	3
SPAN 3073	Grammar in Conversational Communication	3
SPAN 3423	Grammar in Written Communication	3
SPAN 3853	Introduction to Hispanic Literature and Culture	3
SPAN 4183	Senior Capstone	3
Literature & Culture Requirement		
Choose two of the following:		
		6
SPAN 4083	Literature and Culture of Spain	
SPAN 4113	Literature and Culture of Latin America	
SPAN 4143	Transatlantic Literature and Culture	
SPAN 4173	Regional Literature and Cultures	
Linguistics Requirement		
Choose one of the following:		
		3
SPAN 4713	History of the Spanish Language	
SPAN 4773	Topics in Spanish Linguistics	
SPAN 4913	The Structure of the Spanish Language	
SPAN 4923	Teaching of Spanish in the United States	
Electives		
Choose three courses from the Spanish Major Electives course list (maximum 6 hours at the 3000-level)		
		9
Total Credit Hours		36

MAJOR SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS

Code	Title	Credit Hours
History		
Choose a course in the history of Spanish America or Spain		
		3
Foreign Language		
An elementary knowledge of another modern or classical foreign language is required		
		0-10
Study Abroad		
International Experience: Spanish majors are strongly encouraged to pursue study abroad opportunities in a Spanish-speaking country or in a Spanish immersion environment. Plans should be approved by the major advisor in advance		
Exceptions: Exceptions will be made by the major advisor		
International Credit: The Spanish program will make every effort to equate towards the Spanish major any relevant academic credit earned in a study abroad program at an institution recognized by OU		
Total Credit Hours		3-13

More information in the catalog: (<http://ou-public.courseleaf.com/arts-sciences/modern-languages-literatures-linguistics/spanish-bachelor-arts/>).

INFORMATION CONCERNING GENERAL RULES, REGULATIONS AND MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Arts and Sciences Hours: At least 80 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BA degree. At least 55 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BS degree.

Pass/No Pass Enrollment: A maximum of 16 semester hours of free elective credit may be attempted under this option.

Individual Studies (e.g., courses titled “Independent Study”): A maximum of 12 total semester hours may be counted toward graduation, excluding Honors Reading and Honors Research.

P.E. Courses: No physical education activity courses will be counted toward the 120 semester hours of acceptable credit for graduation.

Senior Institution Hours: A minimum of 60 semester hours applied toward graduation must be earned at senior (4-year) institutions.

Residency:

- At least 15 of the final 30 hours applied toward the degree or at least 50 percent of the hours required by the institution in the major field must be satisfactorily completed at the awarding institution.
- At least 15 semester hours of upper-division major work must be completed in residence at OU.
- OU correspondence courses are *not* considered resident credit.

Grade Point Averages: Students must earn a minimum over all 2.00 for each of the following: Combined Retention GPA (all college grades), OU Retention GPA, GPA for all major courses, and GPA for all major courses taken at OU. Some schools and departments of the College have higher minimum grade point averages required for their students.

Special Degrees: Students may qualify for an Honors degree (cum Laude, Magna cum Laude, or Summa cum Laude) by completing specific requirements of the Honors College. A degree will be earned with Distinction if the student completes at least 60 semester hours at OU with at least a 3.60 combined retention GPA and OU retention GPA. A degree will be earned with Special Distinction if the student completes at least 60 semester hours at OU with at least a 3.90 combined retention GPA and OU retention GPA.

SUGGESTED SEMESTER PLAN OF STUDY

This plan shows one possible grouping of courses that would allow students to graduate in four years. Please refer to the front of the degree checksheet for official requirements. Students must consult with College of Arts and Sciences and Department of Modern Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics academic advisors to verify that courses selected each semester fulfill the recommended plan and satisfy university, College of Arts and Sciences, and Spanish major requirements.

Year	FIRST SEMESTER		Hours	SECOND SEMESTER		Hours
FRESHMAN	ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition (Core I)	3	ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213	Principles of English Composition (Core I) or Expository Writing	3
		Math (Core I)	3	SPAN 1225	Beginning Spanish (Continued)	5
	SPAN 1115	Beginning Spanish	5		Natural Science without lab (Core II)	3
		Natural Science with lab (Core II)	4		Social Science (Core III)	3
	CREDIT HOURS		15	CREDIT HOURS		14
SOPHOMORE	P SC 1113	American Federal Government (Core III)	3	HIST 1483 or HIST 1493	United States to 1865 (Core IV) or United States, 1865 to the Present	3
	SPAN 2113	Intermediate Spanish	3	SPAN 2223	Intermediate Spanish Continued	3
		HIST Spanish America or Spain History Support Requirement ¹	3		Non-Western Culture (Core IV)	3
		Understanding Artistic Forms (Core IV)	3		Free Elective, lower-division	3
		Western Civilization & Culture (Core IV), lower-division	3		Free Elective, lower-division	3
	CREDIT HOURS		15	CREDIT HOURS		15
JUNIOR	SPAN 3073	Grammar in Conversational Communication	3	SPAN 3853	Introduction to Hispanic Literature and Culture	3
	SPAN 3423	Grammar in Written Communication	3		Literature & Culture Major Requirement	3
		Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3		Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3
		Second Foreign Language Support Requirement	5		Second Foreign Language Support Requirement	5
					Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
	CREDIT HOURS		14	CREDIT HOURS		17
SENIOR		Literature & Culture Major Requirement	3		Spanish Major Elective	3
		Linguistics Major Requirement	3		Spanish Major Elective	3
		Spanish Major Elective	3	SPAN 4183	Senior Capstone (Capstone)	3
		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
		CREDIT HOURS		15	CREDIT HOURS	

¹ Contact the department for a list of approved courses.

SPANISH MAJOR ELECTIVE COURSE LIST

Code	Title	Credit Hours
SPAN 3723	Business Spanish	3
SPAN 3733	Medical Spanish	3
SPAN 3743	Legal Spanish	3
SPAN 3753	Spanish for Social Work	3
SPAN 3763	Spanish for Journalism	3
SPAN 4083	Literature and Culture of Spain	3
SPAN 4113	Literature and Culture of Latin America	3
SPAN 4143	Transatlantic Literature and Culture	3
SPAN 4173	Regional Literature and Cultures	3
SPAN 4503	Hispanic Cinema Studies	3
SPAN 4713	History of the Spanish Language	3
SPAN 4773	Topics in Spanish Linguistics	3
SPAN 4913	The Structure of the Spanish Language	3
SPAN 4923	Teaching of Spanish in the United States	3