

SPANISH (BA)

Bachelor of Arts

The Spanish program offers students the opportunity to master the four language skills of reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Each course is designed to encourage active participation of each language skill and an understanding of and appreciation for the various countries that use Spanish as their first language.

Those who know and use the Spanish language will have an advantage in almost any field that they may choose. Mastery of the Spanish language will prepare students for a variety of professions in fields such as education, social work, business, law, criminal justice, psychology, sociology, communication, health care, and nursing.

Those students with sufficient experience or background in Spanish are encouraged to begin coursework at the 2000-level. The Elementary Spanish I course (SPN-1120 Elementary Spanish I) and Elementary Spanish II course (SPN-1220 Elementary Spanish II) do not count as part of the credits earned toward a major, but can be used for the Spanish minor.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
SPN-2200	Intermediate Spanish I	4
SPN-2300	Intermediate Spanish II	4
SPN-3200	Advanced Spanish: Conversation and Phonetics	4
SPN-3300	Spanish Translation	4
SPN-4990	Spanish Capstone Seminar	4
Selected Courses		
Select 4 semester hours of the following:		4
SPN-3650	Language and Community Immersion	
SPN-3880	Travel Study in Spanish	
Select 12 semester hours of the following:		12
SPN-3450	Conversation and Culture Through Spanish Language Films	
SPN-3500	Advanced Spanish Literature	
SPN-3600	Latin American Civilization and Culture	
SPN-3800	Advanced Grammar and Composition in Spanish	
Other Courses		
Select 4 semester hours of the following:		4
LTS-1200	Introduction to Latino Cultural Studies	
LTS-1300	Latinos and Latinas in the United States	
ENG-2230	Introduction to U.S. Latino/a Literature	
HIS-3450	Latin American History	
Total Credits		40

Undergraduate Degree Requirements

A student who graduates from Aurora University with a baccalaureate degree will have met the following requirements:

- Completion of all requirements for an approved major (with no grades lower than "C").
- Overall completion of at least 120 semester hours of coursework with a GPA of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale (a course may be utilized only once in application toward a degree requirement, unless otherwise noted in the academic regulations). The 120 semester hours of coursework must include:
 - At least 52 semester hours completed at a senior college.
 - Residency Requirement - At least 30 semester hours completed at Aurora University, including the last 24 semester hours in the degree, and including at least 18 semester hours in the major. (Portfolio assessment credit, life and vocational experience credit, off-campus experience credit, examination credit, participation credit, and block credit, shall not count toward the residency requirement).
 - Upper-Division Requirement - A minimum of 30 semester hours numbered 3000 or above. Of these 30 semester hours, 15 semester hours must lie within the major and 15 semester hours must be completed at Aurora University.
- Completion of all General Education requirements (with no grades lower than "C"), as follows:
 - Quantitative and Formal Reasoning competency requirement (<https://catalog.aurora.edu/regulations-policy-catalog/academic-regulations-procedures/general-education/#satisfy-quantitative-reasoning-requirement>)
 - ENG-1000 Introduction to Academic Writing
 - IDS-1200 Discover What Matters or IDS-3040 Global Justice
 - IDS-1150 First Year Experience - *Not required for Transfer or AU Online students*)
 - Satisfactory participation in the junior-year mentoring and assessment process designed to guide students to successful completion of their degree and to encourage planning for next steps beyond graduation. (IDS-3500 Junior Mentoring Program I and IDS-3550 Junior Mentoring Program II - *Not required for ADC or AU Online students but may be designated electives for AU Online students admitted with fewer than 15 hours of transfer credit.*)
 - Distribution Requirements
Students will complete one approved course¹ from each of the following categories:
 - Artistic Literacy
 - Cultural Literacy
 - Human Inquiry
 - Scientific Inquiry

In addition to the above, ADC and Online students will also complete one approved course¹ from the following category:

 - Discovery and Reflection

¹ Only courses that are approved to meet the distribution requirement can be used toward this requirement. See the list of approved courses (<https://catalog.aurora.edu/regulations-policy-catalog/academic-regulations-procedures/general-education/#approved-courses-gen-ed-distribution>) for available options. Courses taken to meet distribution requirements are 4 semester hours apiece, with the following exceptions:

- An approved transfer course of at least 2.50 semester hours can be used to satisfy a distribution requirement.
- Courses with co-requisite laboratory components may be used to satisfy a distribution requirement, provided that the student

successfully complete both the three-credit-hour course and the single-credit-hour lab component.

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of a minor or major area of study in a foreign language at AU, each student will:

- a. Communicate in a grammatically correct manner (effective communication, intellectual development).
- b. Demonstrate core knowledge related to areas such as literature, media, current events/topics (critical thinking, effective communication, responsible citizenship).
- c. Demonstrate proficiency in using the second language (effective communication, discovery, reflection).
- d. Identify realistic career goals and how speaking, writing, listening and reading in and with the Spanish language will assist them.