

ADVANCED SPANISH LANGUAGE AND HISPANIC CULTURAL STUDIES, POST-BACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATE

The Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Advanced Spanish Language and Hispanic Cultural Studies requires 15 credit hours and is designed for professionals who may have a bachelor's degree in a field other than Spanish but who are able to demonstrate linguistic and analytical skills in Spanish equivalent to having completed a minimum of 21 undergraduate credits above the 204 level.

The program's goals are to:

- Increase student's language skills in Spanish to a high level;
- Prepare qualified candidates for cross-cultural professions; and
- Help prepare instructors who must have at least 18 credits of graduate credit in order to teach Spanish at an accredited community college, four-year college or university.

Students may choose to continue with an additional 3-credit course or apply for admission as M.A. candidates.

For information regarding deadlines and requirements for admission, please see <https://grs.uncg.edu/programs/>.

In addition to the application materials required by the Graduate School, applicants to the Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Advanced Spanish Language and Hispanic Cultural Studies must provide the following:

- 500-word essay in Spanish describing their professional goals and motivation for pursuing graduate work in the certificate.
- 3-to 5-minute unscripted digital audio file (.wav or .mp3 format) in Spanish to introduce themselves and describe their academic or equivalent preparation to pursue advanced proficiency in Spanish.
- 5-to 10-page sample of professional or academic analytical writing in English or Spanish.

Applicants to the certificate program are expected to demonstrate at a minimum an "intermediate high" proficiency in Spanish by appropriate course work, by a personal interview with the faculty, or by an officially recognized testing procedure such as that of the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages.

Certificate Program Requirements

Required: 15 credit hours

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Select 15 credits from the following:		15
SPA 532	Selected Topics in Spanish Cultures, Literatures, and Films	
SPA 534	Selected Topics in Latin American Cultures, Literatures, and Films	
SPA 535	Selected Topics in U.S. Latino/Latina Cultural Studies	

SPA 546	Selected Topics in Hispanic Linguistics
SPA 562	Studies in Film Genre
SPA 605	Seminar in Hispanic Linguistics ¹
SPA 693	Special Topics in Spanish Language and/or Literature ²
SPA 695	Directed Study
LLC 519	Second Language Acquisition
LLC 599	Community-Based Service Learning
LLC 600	Methods of Teaching Modern Languages ³

Total Credit Hours **15**

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May be repeated for credit when topic varies.

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May be selected twice, once when the topic is Advanced Grammar Review and again when the topic is Advanced Phonetics. Not accepted for transfer to the M.A. in Languages, Literatures, and Cultures with a concentration in Spanish or the M.Ed. in Teacher Education with a concentration in Spanish.

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Required for students with a master's degree in another field who enroll in the certificate as a credential for college-level teaching.

Additional Information

Upon completion of the certificate, the graduate faculty will conduct an interview in Spanish with the student.