



# Spanish

## About this Major



The Spanish degree involves the completion of three specific components:

- the General Education Core required of all VCSU graduates;
- a mix of required and elective courses in the major, including travel abroad, that helps students reach cultural and language fluency;
- and a minor in a related area of the student's choice.

Students work closely with Spanish faculty to determine which General Education courses best fit their interests and future plans, as well as which electives might suit them best term by term. This program is designed specifically to help students find the right mix of courses for both their present desires and future needs, all with the help of an advisor who thoroughly knows the language and the program.

## Career Opportunities

Since Spanish majors develop strong critical thinking skills in the process of achieving fluency in the language, the degree can be used in a variety of occupations involving close work with Spanish-speaking populations, including:

- Journalism
- Law
- Medicine
- Counseling
- Social work
- Human services
- Advertising

- Marketing
- Management positions
- Government
- Translation work

## Travel Abroad



Travel abroad programs give future graduates the chance to experience international cultures, communities, and academic environments firsthand. These opportunities enrich their education and broaden their perspective. At VCSU, learning Spanish is both challenging and rewarding, and our dedicated faculty are committed to helping students make the most of their studies.



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## Get Involved in your Major

**Spanish Club** — A lively group of majors, minors, and aficionados, Club Espanol brings Spanish-language experiences to campus as well as hitting the road to find them.



**The Forge** — an NCTE (National Council of Teachers of English) REALM First Class award-winning campus literary, academic, and arts journal, hosted by the Language and Literature Department and staffed by student editors in ENGL 213: Literary Publications, publishes and offers awards for original student work on an annual basis.



**VCSU Spanish Day** — Spanish Day at VCSU offers an exciting, immersive experience where high school students explore the language and cultures of Spanish-speaking countries through interactive activities with VCSU Spanish majors and Spanish Club members.



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## Plan of Study

### First Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
CIS 170 (Gen Ed)	3	ENGL 120 (Gen Ed)	3
ENGL 110 (Gen Ed)	3	HPER 100	2
Lab Science Elective	4	SPAN 102	3
SPAN 101	3	Lab Science Elective	4
UNIV 150	1	Mathematics Elective	3
	<b>14</b>		<b>15</b>

### Second Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SPAN 201	3	SPAN 202	3
Social Science Elective	3	SPAN 215	3
Literacies Elective	3	Art and Music Elective	3
Speech Communication Elective	3	Social Science Elective	3
Minor Elective	3	Minor Elective	3
	<b>15</b>		<b>15</b>

### Third Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SPAN 220	3	SPAN 451	3
SPAN 251	3	Additional Humanities or Social Science Elective	3
Social Sciences Elective	3	Minor Elective	3
Minor Elective	3	Minor Elective	3
Minor Elective	3	Minor Elective	3
	<b>15</b>		<b>15</b>

### Fourth Year

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SPAN 420	3	SPAN 396	2
SPAN 391	2	SPAN 491	2
Minor Elective	3	SPAN 497	6
Elective	3	Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective	1-3
Elective	3		
	<b>17</b>		<b>14-16</b>

### Total Credits 120-122

## Learning Outcomes

1. Possess strong reading and writing skills in comprehending, interpreting, and producing texts in Spanish
2. Be capable speakers and listeners of Spanish
3. Evidence understanding of Spanish and Hispanic histories and cultures
4. Develop an awareness of how language impacts culture and how culture impacts language

Please note: This plan is intended for general information only. Students are strongly encouraged to meet with their academic advisor each semester before registration.