

Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures

Accelerated Spanish BA/MA Program (4+1 program)

The accelerated MA degree in Spanish is an excellent opportunity for motivated Spanish major students to take graduate-level courses that can simultaneously count toward the completion of a BA and a MA degree. This initiative prepares students who wish to continue their studies into doctoral programs as well as those who intend to pursue additional MA degrees. Undergraduate Spanish major students who enroll in the accelerated track have the opportunity to interact with students who are already in the Spanish MA Program and who come from varied backgrounds and interests. On a practical level, students can save time and money by selecting to enroll in the accelerated 4+1 Spanish Program.

Description:

Undergraduate students accepted to the Accelerated Spanish Master's Program must complete up to 12 credits of graduate coursework to fulfill the Spanish BA and the Spanish MA degree requirements. After consulting with the program Director/Advisor, undergraduate students begin to take graduate-level courses in lieu of undergraduate-only courses. Recommended graduate-level courses that can be taken by undergraduate majors to be applied toward their undergraduate and MA degrees are the following:

Recommended graduate-level courses that may be taken by undergraduate majors:

Span V0100: HISTORY OF THE SPANISH LANGUAGE

Span V0300: INTRODUCTION TO METHODS OF RESEARCH

or

Span V0600: SPANISH MORPHOLOGY AND SYNTAX

Span B9800: SPECIAL TOPICS IN LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

In consultation with the Director/Advisor, undergraduates are advised to take one Special Topics graduate course (or elective) whose topic deals with Peninsular Literature/Culture AND one Special Topics graduate course (or elective) whose topic deals with Spanish American Literature/Culture.

Admission Process:

Applicants are expected to have a strong undergraduate background in Hispanic Literature, have earned at least 60 credits, have a 3.5 GPA in Spanish, and have a minimum 3.0 overall GPA. Applicants need two recommendations letters from the CMLL Department (preferably from Spanish professors), and a personal statement describing their motivations for applying to the program and their plans for after completing their MA degree.

Academic Requirements:

In order to remain in the Accelerated MA Program students are expected to maintain a 3.0 GPA. Students who fall below a 3.0 GPA remain on academic probation for the next two semesters. If the student does not meet the GPA requirements by the end of two semesters, they are dismissed from the accelerated MA Program.

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