

# MASTER OF ARTS IN SPANISH

## Program Description

The Master of Arts in Spanish is a 36-hour program that prepares students for doctoral study and for careers as instructors of Spanish in secondary and higher education. In addition, the program provides students with the skills necessary to enter the workforce as interpreters within various industries by providing a thorough foundation in practical fluency skills through cultural, linguistic, and literary training. The program does not require a thesis.

## Admission

Students seeking admission to the graduate program in Spanish must submit the following directly to the Office of Graduate Admissions:

1. Graduate Application (<http://www.shsu.edu/admissions/apply-texas.html>)
2. Application fee (<http://www.shsu.edu/dept/graduate-studies/application-fee.html>)
3. Official transcript from the baccalaureate degree granting institution
4. Two letters of recommendation
5. A writing sample on a Spanish cultural topic that demonstrates advanced proficiency (5 double-spaced pages)
6. A graded writing sample from an upper-level Spanish course

To be admitted into the program under regular graduate admission, applicants must have a 3.0 overall GPA.

## Degree Requirements

The M.A. in Spanish requires a minimum of thirty-six hours of graduate credit, and the student may choose one of two degree plans.

### Plan 1 - M.A. in Spanish

#### Master of Arts in Spanish

Specified Courses		
SPAN 5332	Spanish Golden Age Lit	3
SPAN 5333	Spanish/Am Lit: Pre-Eur to Ind	3
SPAN 5334	Contemp Spanish American Lit	3
SPAN 5337	Lit Analysis & Research Method	3
SPAN 5338	Second Lang Teaching & Method	3
SPAN 5361	The Structure of Spanish	3
SPAN 5370	History of Spanish Language	3
SPAN 5371	Contemporary Spanish Literat	3
Restricted Electives		
Select two of the following:		6
SPAN 4370	Seminar in Selected Topics Literacy, Language, and Civilization <sup>1</sup>	
SPAN 5331	Sem in Comp Spanish Art/Cultur	
SPAN 5336	Hispanic Women's Studies	
SPAN 5060	Special Topics in Spanish	
SPAN 5372	Spanish for Technical Comp	
SPAN 5373	Theory/Pract of Trans/Interpet	
SPAN 5374	Studies in Spanish Linguistics	
Electives		
Select 6 credit hours of all graduate courses in SPAN		6
Total Hours		36

<sup>1</sup> Taken for graduate credit

### Plan 2 - Master of Arts in Spanish

#### Master of Arts in Spanish

Specified Courses		
SPAN 5332	Spanish Golden Age Lit	3
SPAN 5333	Spanish/Am Lit: Pre-Eur to Ind	3

SPAN 5334	Contemp Spanish American Lit	3
SPAN 5337	Lit Analysis & Research Method	3
SPAN 5338	Second Lang Teaching & Method	3
SPAN 5370	History of Spanish Language	3
SPAN 5371	Contemporary Spanish Literat	3
<b>Restricted Electives in BESL</b>		
Select two of the following:		6
BESL 4303	Cur In Bilgl & Sec Lang Progs	
BESL 5311	Applied Linguistics in ESL/EFL Settings	
BESL 5302	Soc Cult Lang Infl On Learning	
BESL 5304	2nd Lang Acquisition & Develop	
<b>Restricted Electives in SPAN</b>		
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