Spanish Programs

Western
Why study Spanish?
Because you cannot be an authentic Latin Lover if you don’t know the language!
Did you know…?

- Over 400 – 500 million people speak Spanish around the world.
- Spanish is one of the three most widely spoken languages, after Mandarin Chinese, English and possibly Hindi.
- Around 50 million people in the United States (16% of the population) speak Spanish. One in every five children in EEUU speaks Spanish. It is estimated than in 2021, one in every three children will speak Spanish.
Enhance your employment opportunities in a global economy

- Latin America
- Spain
- One of the largest growing economies in the world

- USE SPANISH in business, marketing, the foreign service, law, medicine and health care, teaching, technology, cultural industries, communications, social service.
Explore one of the greatest cultures in the world

- Spanish is a leading language in literature, philosophy, theology, history, music, film and art.

- **WORK** in translation, teaching, tourism.

- **PARTICIPATE** in cultural exchange, study in the Spanish-speaking world, and in CSL (Community Service Learning).
Spain

- Where knowledge from the middle east entered Europe, making us all richer (think algebra, think philosophy, think poetry).

- The world of Velázquez, Goya, Picasso, Dalí…

- Flamenco, guitars, moonlit nights. Need we say more?
Latin America

- Where European culture came into contact with new civilizations, producing one of the most vibrant cultures on the planet.

- Innovation in music, art, literature.

- Tango, salsa, Andean flutes, the moon shining on the sea (and much, much more).
What do these authors have in common?

- Juan Ramón Jiménez
- Miguel Angel Asturias
- Pablo Neruda
- Gabriela Mistral
- Gabriel García Márquez
- Octavio Paz
- Camilo José Cela
- Mario Vargas Llosa
Answer...

- They are Nobel Laureates for Literature.
- They wrote in Spanish.
What do these people have in common?
Answer...

- **Almost** all of them are good looking.
- They’ve all won Latin Grammys.
- They all sing in **Spanish**.
What do we offer in Spanish?

9 Modules, 3 Streams, 2 Certificates

Spanish Language and Linguistics
(Minor, Major)

Spanish Language and Hispanic Cultures
(Minor, Major, (Honors) Specialization)

Digital Spanish
(Minor)

Certificate in Practical Spanish
Certificate in Digital Spanish
Build a solid foundation in Spanish Language, no matter which module you choose ....
Improve your Spanish Language Skills

- **Spanish 2200 Intermediate Spanish**
  combines grammar and communication; discuss, read and write about a variety of topics and explore ideas about Hispanic culture in relation to your own

- **Spanish 3300 Advanced Spanish**
  achieve fluency -- further develop oral and written skills, acquire vocabulary systematically and review grammar selectively; discussions, readings, and writing focus on the cultures of Spanish-speaking countries

- both courses take a multimedia and communicative approach and include an optional Community Service Learning component
Common Second Year: flexible, interdisciplinary and global

- **Spanish 2215F and 2216G Exploring Hispanic Cultures I/II**
  Focus on Hispanic Culture through many lenses: Visual Arts, Performing and Literary Arts, Sociolinguistics, Film, Pop Culture, Digital Spanish

- **Spanish 2220A/B Spanish Conversation**
  Participate in conversations covering current issues in the Spanish speaking world on topics ranging from social, political and economic issues to celebrity culture, food, sports and tourism

- **Spanish 2214A/B Comparative Grammar**
  Add to your foundations by exploring the differences between Spanish and English
Specialize!

Three Streams
- Linguistics
- Culture
- Digital
If you like puzzles ....

- Language is one of the greatest puzzles of all. With the programs in *Spanish Language and Linguistics* you will learn how languages work while improving your Spanish skills.

- Take 3 courses: **Certificate in Practical Spanish**
- Take 4 courses: **Minor in Spanish Language and Linguistics**
- Take 6 courses: **Major in Spanish Language and Linguistics**
Spanish Language and Linguistics

- build a foundation in year 2 and 3: Comparative Grammar of English and Spanish and Structure of Spanish

- specialize in year 3: Hispanic Sociolinguistics, The Acquisition of Spanish, Sounds of Spanish, Spanish Sentence

- gain depth, breadth and make connections in year 4: Spanish in Contact, History of the Spanish Language, Bilingualism, Spanish Word

- optional courses can come from Digital Spanish, Natural Language Processing or Hispanic Culture offerings
If you like discovering new perspectives ...

- Make connections and find links not only across time, but also across geography by studying the transatlantic relationships between Spain and Latin America
- Explore global culture in a Hispanic Context
- Consider the Masterworks of the Hispanic world in literature, visual art, music, film and more

- Take 4 courses: Minor in Spanish Language and Hispanic Culture
- Take 6 courses: Major in Spanish Language and Hispanic Culture
- Take 9 courses: (Honors) Specialization in Spanish Language and Hispanic Culture
Spanish Language and Hispanic Culture

- build the foundation in year 2 with Exploring Hispanic Cultures

- relate different art forms to the literary text or focus on the literary text in year 3: Translation I and II, Hispanic Visual Arts and Texts, Hispanic Culture on Film, Hispanic Pop Culture, Myths and Legends of the Hispanic World, Literatures of the Hispanic World, Human Rights and the Hispanic World, Gender and the Hispanic World or Community Service Learning in the Hispanic World (Guatemala)

- Gain depth in year 4: Translation, Hispanic Art, Music, Dance and Performance in the Hispanic World, Fantastic Fictions of the Hispanic World AND capstone courses Hispanic Masters, Senior Research Project or Honors Thesis

- optional courses can come from Linguistics or Digital Spanish, Natural Language Processing
Community Service Learning: Local and Abroad

What?
- make your learning directly relevant
- connect classroom with community
- build resume
- learn/practice transferable skills including communication, teambuilding, and problem-solving

Where?
- Integrated in Spanish language, culture and linguistics courses
- During Spring Break in Cuba
- Dedicated Courses like
  - SPA 2500: Bridging Classroom and Community
  - SPA 3500G Community Service Learning in the Hispanic World: History, Culture and People in Context
    - Guatemala
    - Barcelona
Would you like to achieve a high level of digital literacy through hands-on-learning?

- Become part of one of the fastest growing language communities on the web
- While practicing and improving your Spanish skills
- Study the creation, transmission, and representation of Spanish culture on the web in Spanish

- Take 3 courses: Certificate in Digital Spanish
- Take 4 courses: Minor in Digital Spanish
Digital Spanish Courses

- Year 2: Digital Spanish introduces Spanish language and culture on the web

- Year 3: Connecting Cultures considers how cultures connect through cultural networks in time and space

- Year 4: Natural Language Analysis gives you programming tools to deal with large quantities of text or digital objects in your area of interest
Remember ....
Study in Spanish-speaking Countries!

Receive Credit at Western!
NEW!!!!

At Western, the world is your classroom

The Western International Learning Award
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Every student with an 80% average in Year 2 will receive a $1,000 award to complete an International Learning experience in Year 3*

Your destination options include:
- Academic exchange
- Summer study abroad
- International field courses
- Alternative Spring Break
- International community service learning
- Internships
- Field research
- Other University-led experiences

* Experiences must be Western-approved activities.
Detailed eligibility criteria online

Explore all the options at www.international.uwo.ca/learning
Summer Courses in Cuba

Check out the information on the Modern Languages and Literatures Website / Study Abroad / Cuba

http://www.uwo.ca/modlang/pdf/study_abroad/Study_Cuba_Summer_2015.pdf
Spanish at UWO

- Study with undergraduates who play the guitar, dance the tango, volunteer with the growing London Hispanic Community.

- Study with professors who study the art of movie-making, who are interested in history, who look at language disorders, who delve into Transatlantic Studies…

- Study in small seminars with great personal attention.

- Spend time with the SALSA club, attend the Spanish Tertulia, look at Hispanic films, take part in the Noche Herética.
For these reasons and so much more…

JOIN US!!!
Questions?

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Undergraduate Chair, Angela Borchert: 
Tuesday- Thursday 1:30-3:00pm
What could your programs look like?
Certificate in Practical Spanish
(3 courses, Intermediate & Advanced Spanish plus 1.0 language course)

Minor in Spanish Language and Linguistics
(4 courses, Intermediate & Advanced Spanish & Structure of Spanish plus 1.5 linguistics courses)

Major in Spanish Language and Linguistics
(6 courses, Intermediate & Advanced Spanish & Comparative Grammar of English & Spanish & Structure of Spanish plus 2.5 linguistics courses)

* for example
Minor in Spanish Language and Hispanic Culture
(4 courses, Intermediate & Advanced Spanish & Exploring Cultures plus 2.0 language and culture courses)

Major in Spanish Language and Hispanic Culture
(6 courses, Intermediate & Advanced Spanish & Exploring Cultures plus 3.5 language and culture courses)

(Honors) Specialization in Spanish Language and Hispanic Culture
(9 courses, Intermediate & Advanced Spanish & Exploring Cultures plus 5.5 language and culture courses)

Year IV
- Literatures
- Hispanic Art
- Masters & Masterpieces
- Music or Fantastic Fictions
- Honours Thesis

Year III
- 3300 Advanced Spanish
- Translation
- Myths or Human Rights
- Visual Arts & Texts
- Pop Culture
- Comparative Grammar

Year II
- 2200 Intermediate Spanish
- Conversation
- 2215F/G Exploring Cultures I
- 2216F/G Exploring Cultures II

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