

Spanish, BA

ASSPABA

When you learn a new language, you unlock your ability to communicate effectively with more than 500 million people around the world and you gain a deep appreciation for their cultures. Strengthen your career options by becoming more adept at navigating cultural practices.

Program description



The BA degree program in Spanish emphasizes language studies and examines the cultural production of Spanish-speaking communities.

This program provides students with the skills to confidently communicate in writing and orally. Students learn the history, arts, literature and cultures of Spanish-speaking countries.

Graduates are prepared for graduate study, specialized professional training, government careers, and commercial and international careers.

This major is eligible for the Western Undergraduate Exchange program at the following location: West Valley campus. Students from Western states who select this major and campus may be eligible for reduced nonresident tuition at a rate of 150% of Arizona resident tuition plus all applicable fees. Students should click the link for more information and eligibility requirements of [the WUE program](#).

At a glance

- **College/School:** [New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences](#)
- **Location:** [West Valley](#) 
- **Second language requirement:** Yes
- **First required math course:** MAT 142 - College Mathematics
or any math course that meets the MATH designation
- **Math intensity:** General 

Required courses (Major Map)

[2024 - 2025 Major Map](#)

[Major Map \(Archives\)](#)

Concurrent program options

Students pursuing concurrent degrees (also known as a "double major") earn two distinct degrees and receive two diplomas. Working with their academic advisors, students can create their own concurrent degree combination. Some combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum.

Accelerated program options

This program allows students to obtain both a bachelor's and master's degree in as little as five years. It is offered as an [accelerated bachelor's plus master's degree](#) with:

[English, MA](#)

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. Students typically receive approval to pursue the accelerated master's during the junior year of their bachelor's degree program. Interested students can learn about eligibility requirements and [how to apply](#).

Admission requirements

General university admission requirements:

All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.

[First-year](#) | [Transfer](#) | [International](#) | [Readmission](#)

Tuition information

When it comes to paying for higher education, everyone's situation is different. Students can learn about [ASU tuition and financial aid](#) options to find out which will work best for them.

Change of Major Requirements

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors.

Students should visit the [Change of Major form](#) for information about how to change a major to this program.

Transfer options

ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use [MyPath2ASU®](#) to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to transfer.

ASU has [transfer partnerships](#) in Arizona and across the country to create a simplified transfer experience for students. These pathway programs include exclusive benefits, tools and resources, and they help students save time and money in their college journey.

Global opportunities

Global experience

Studying abroad enhances students' understanding of the diversity of the world and the way in which knowledge of such diversity makes each person a better human being and citizen. Students are able to study in programs that provide immersion into Spanish-speaking cultures with a diverse array of individual and group experiences.

With more than 300 options available, [Global Education programs](#) allow students to tailor their educational experience to their unique interests and skills sets. Whether in a foreign country, in the U.S. or online, students in the New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences can explore their varied fields and interests in different settings.

Career opportunities

The Spanish program offers excellent preparation for graduate school or for employment as a teacher in the elementary or secondary school system, especially in those districts where bilingual programs are integral to the curricula. Outside the education system, students majoring in Spanish find employment as translators and interpreters in:

- diplomatic corps
- federal and state courts
- law enforcement agencies
- law firms
- social agencies

The business world also provides employment for those fluent in Spanish. This is especially true in the American Southwest and through outlets opened by multinational trade agreements.

Example job titles and salaries listed below are not necessarily entry level, and students should take into consideration how years of experience and geographical location may affect pay scales. Some jobs also may require advanced degrees, certifications or state-specific licensure.

Career	*Growth	*Median salary
<u>Communication Professor</u>	3.4%	\$76,250
<u>Criminal Justice Professor</u>	2.7%	\$64,990
<u>Cultural Studies Professor</u>	3.9%	\$80,910
<u>Detective Sergeant</u>	1.5%	\$86,280
<u>News Reporter</u>		\$55,960
<u>Political Analyst</u> ☀	6.6%	\$128,020
<u>Political Science Professor</u>	3.7%	\$83,770
<u>Public Relations Specialist</u> ☀	6.1%	\$67,440
<u>Translator</u>	4.3%	\$53,640
<u>World Language Professor</u>	1.4%	\$76,030

* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).

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