Spanish, BA

To know another language is to know another culture and be able to communicate with a multitude of different people. Spanish has the second most number of native speakers in the world and has more than 500 million total speakers worldwide. This program strengthens your career potential by making you more adept at navigating cultural practices.

Program Description

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

This program provides students with the skills to communicate confidently in both a written and oral form. 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 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 WUE

- **Additional Program Fee:** No
- **Second Language Requirement:** Yes
• **First Required Math Course**: MAT 142 - College Mathematics
• **Math Intensity**: General

**Required Courses (Major Map)**

[2022 - 2023 Major Map](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu)
[Major Map (Archives)](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu)

**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 and master's degree with:

- English, MA

Acceptance to the graduate program requires a separate application. During their junior year, eligible students are advised by their academic departments to apply.

**Admission Requirements**

**General University Admission Requirements:**
All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.
[First-year](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu) | [Transfer](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu) | [International](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu) | [Readmission](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu)

**Change of Major Requirements**

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

Students should refer to [https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu) 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. Students may learn more about these programs by visiting the admission site: https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/MyPath2ASU.

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. Program opportunities are available throughout Spain and Latin America. https://goglobal.asu.edu/

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, with its proximity to Mexico and through outlets opened by multinational trade agreements.

Career examples include but are not limited to those shown in the following list. Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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* 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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