Spanish (SPN) Courses

SPN 1014. Elementary Spanish I. (3-2) 4 Credit Hours. (TCCN = SPAN 1411)
Fundamentals of Spanish, offering the opportunity to develop listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills. Emphasis on listening and speaking. Introduction to Hispanic culture. May be applied toward the Core Curriculum requirement in Language, Philosophy and Culture. Generally offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

SPN 1024. Elementary Spanish II. (3-2) 4 Credit Hours. (TCCN = SPAN 1412)
Prerequisite: SPN 1014, the equivalent, or an appropriate placement test score. Fundamentals of Spanish offering the opportunity to develop listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills. Emphasis on listening and speaking. Further study of Hispanic culture. Generally offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

SPN 1034. Spanish for Heritage Learners I. (3-2) 4 Credit Hours.
This course is designed for students who grew up with exposure to Spanish in the home or community. The course builds on the students’ existing verbal abilities, knowledge, and experiences, and introduces them to reading texts rich in cultural information as well as meaningful writing tasks.

SPN 2013. Intermediate Spanish I. (3-1) 3 Credit Hours. (TCCN = SPAN 2311)
Prerequisite: SPN 1024, the equivalent, or an appropriate placement test score. Continued opportunity to develop listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills. Grammar and further study of Hispanic culture. Generally offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

SPN 2023. Intermediate Spanish II. (3-1) 3 Credit Hours. (TCCN = SPAN 2312)
Prerequisite: SPN 2013, the equivalent, or an appropriate placement test score. Continued opportunity to develop listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills. Grammar review and further study of Hispanic culture. Generally offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

SPN 2033. Spanish for Heritage Learners II. (3-1) 3 Credit Hours.
This course is a continuation of Spanish for Heritage Learners I. It expands on the students’ verbal (aural and oral) skills, with additional opportunities for reading texts rich in formal and informal culture, and writing compositions on related topics.

SPN 2333. Hispanic Literature in English Translation. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: WRC 1013 or the equivalent. Major works in Hispanic literatures: themes, genres, and movements. May not be applied to a major in Spanish. May be applied toward the Core Curriculum requirement in Language, Philosophy and Culture. (Formerly SPN 3333. Credit cannot be earned for both SPN 2333 and SPN 3333.) Generally offered: Fall.

SPN 3003. Oral and Written Expression. (3-1) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 2023, the equivalent, or an appropriate placement test score. If placement is at a higher level, a Spanish elective may be substituted for the minor. Conversation, reading, and grammar review toward building literacy skills. Opportunities for composition and oral communication for a variety of situations and topics. May not be used as an elective for the Spanish major. (Formerly SPN 2103. Credit cannot be earned for both SPN 3003 and SPN 2103.) Generally offered: Fall, Spring.

SPN 3013. Spanish Phonetics and Phonology. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 2023 or SPN 3003, the equivalent, or consent of instructor. Offers the opportunity for study of the sound system of Latin-American Spanish. Activities may include pronunciation exercises, exercises in sound discrimination and transcription, and articulatory description of various dialects of Spanish. Generally offered: Fall.

SPN 3033. Oral Communication Skills. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 2023 or SPN 3003, the equivalent, or consent of instructor. Opportunity for development of speaking skills in a formal register through activities directed at vocabulary building, grammatical accuracy, and aural/written comprehension. May not be used as an elective for the Spanish major. Generally offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

SPN 3043. Introduction to Literature. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 3063, the equivalent, or consent of instructor. Approaches to reading, comprehension and analysis of literary and other advanced texts. Use of analytical terminology, advanced vocabulary building, and further development of formal writing skills. (Formerly titled “Advanced Reading.”) Generally offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

SPN 3063. Grammar and Composition. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 2023 or SPN 3003, or the equivalent. Extensive review of fundamental grammar with vocabulary building. Development of writing skills and style through activities directed at the Advanced level on the ACTFL-ETS proficiency scale. Consideration of usage and differences between written and spoken language. Generally offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

SPN 3113. Linguistic Structures of Spanish. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 3063, the equivalent, or consent of instructor. Offers the opportunity for the application of the basic principles of analysis and description of language structure to Spanish. Attention given to structural regularities at the levels of word formation, syntax, and semantics of formal Spanish, recognizing variability in spoken registers. Generally offered: Spring.

SPN 3413. The Literature of Spain from the Middle Ages to 1700. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 3043 or consent of instructor. Spanish literature from the Middle Ages to 1700. Readings of selections and complete works. Practice in critical analysis through papers and examinations. Generally offered: Spring.

SPN 3423. The Literature of Spain from 1700 to the Present. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 3423 or consent of instructor. Spanish literature from 1700 to the present. Readings of selections and complete works. Practice in critical analysis through papers and examinations.

SPN 3463. Latin American Literature to Modernism. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 3043 or consent of instructor. Latin American literature from pre-Columbian times to Modernism. Practice in critical analysis through papers and examinations.

SPN 3473. Latin American Literature since Modernism. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 3043 or consent of instructor. Latin American literature from Modernism to the present. Practice in critical analysis through papers and examinations.
SPN 3493. Mexican American Literature. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 3003, SPN 3063, or consent of instructor. Readings and discussion of works by Mexican American writers. The expression through poetry, the novel, the short story, and the theater of the Mexican American cultural experience as well as universal themes and literary concerns. Selections from popular literature, including the oral tradition. May be repeated for credit when topics vary.

SPN 3613. Spanish Culture and Civilization. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 3043. Emergence of the Spanish peoples from pre-Roman times to the present: history, cultural expression, myths, values, and worldview.

SPN 3623. Latin American Culture and Civilization. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 3043. A study of social, political, and cultural history of the Latin American countries from pre-Columbian civilizations through the Conquest, Colonial period, and Independence to the present, as reflected in its literature and arts.

SPN 4003. Advanced Language Skills. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 3043, or SPN 3063 as appropriate, or consent of instructor. Development of advanced skills in formal Spanish, including such areas as grammar, composition, oratory, creative writing, Spanish/English translation, and other practical applications of language study. May be repeated for credit when topics vary. Generally offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

SPN 4113. Topics in Spanish Linguistics. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 3113 or consent of instructor. Advanced study and applications of topics in Spanish linguistics. May include one or more of the following: phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, dialectology, language variability, and history of Spanish. May be repeated for credit when topics vary. This course fulfills the College of Liberal and Fine Arts Signature Experience. Generally offered: Fall, Spring.

SPN 4123. The Spanish of the United States. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 3013, SPN 3113, or consent of instructor. The analysis of the Spanish language as used by native or heritage speakers in the United States, from a linguistic, pragmatic and sociolinguistic perspective. Particular attention given to the Spanish spoken in Texas.

SPN 4203. Topics in Hispanic Literatures. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 3043, an upper-division course in literature taught in Spanish or consent of instructor. An intensive study of an area of Spanish or Spanish American literatures. May be repeated for credit when topics vary. This course fulfills the College of Liberal and Fine Arts Signature Experience. Generally offered: Fall, Spring.

SPN 4303. Topics in Hispanic Cultures. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: SPN 3043, an upper-division course in literature or culture taught in Spanish, or consent of instructor. An intensive study of an area of Hispanic cultures. May be repeated for credit when topics vary. This course fulfills the College of Liberal and Fine Arts Signature Experience. Generally offered: Fall, Spring, Summer.

SPN 4913. Independent Study. (0-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisites: Permission in writing (form available) of the instructor, the student’s advisor, the Department Chair, and Dean of the College in which the course is offered. Independent reading, research, discussion, and/or writing under the direction of a faculty member. May be repeated for credit, but not more than 6 semester credit hours of independent study, regardless of discipline, will apply to a bachelor’s degree. No more than 6 semester credit hours of SPN 4913 and/or SPN 4993 may be applied to the major in Spanish.

SPN 4933. Internship in Spanish. (0-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Permission of Department Chair. Supervised experience in a setting that provides the opportunity to integrate theory and practice in language usage. May be repeated once for credit.

SPN 4953. Special Studies in Spanish. (3-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Consent of instructor. An organized course offering the opportunity for specialized study not normally or not often available as part of the regular course offerings. Special Studies may be repeated for credit when the topics vary, but not more than 6 semester credit hours, regardless of discipline, will apply to a bachelor’s degree.

SPN 4993. Honors Research. (0-0) 3 Credit Hours.
Prerequisite: Consent of the undergraduate advisor. Supervised research and preparation of an honors thesis. May be repeated once for credit, with approval. No more than 6 semester credit hours of SPN 4993 and/or SPN 4913 may be applied to the major in Spanish.