Modern Languages

Language is more than a mode of communication. It is the primary means of understanding a culture, a people, a way of life. Studying a second language gives us a perspective on our own language and culture, and prepares us to be knowledgeable and competent citizens of the world. In addition, those who undertake the study of languages experience the satisfaction and pleasure of learning what language is and how it works.

While Americans are traditionally viewed as monolingual, other countries routinely include language study as an essential part of a general education. In a world that is increasingly interconnected and interrelated, the development of a globally educated populace is crucial. Second language learning is a vital part of such an education.

Second language study can lead to career positions such as teacher, travel consultant, translator, and international entrepreneur. Languages also constitute an important second skill for many jobs in business, industry, government, and human services, and may be a key to increasing potential for personal growth and advancement.

Programs

- Spanish Education, B.S. ((Teacher Licensure)) major
- Spanish, B.A. major
- Ojibwe minor
- Spanish minor
- Certificate Of Ojibwe Language Instruction cert

Career Directions

Airline Consultant  
Bank Consultant/Employee  
Education  
Export/Import Employee  
International Business  
Translator  
Also: Graduate Study

Preparation

Recommended High School Courses

- English  
- Foreign Languages

Spanish Education, B.S. major
(Teacher Licensure)

Required Credits: 64
Required GPA: 2.50

I REQUIRED CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- ML 3470 Methods Of Teaching Modern Languages (4 credits)  
- ML 3430 Linguistics (3 credits)  
- SPAN 3311 Composition and Conversation (3 credits)  
- SPAN 3312 Advanced Readings and Conversation (3 credits)  
- SPAN 4430 Spanish Grammar and Linguistics (1 credit)

SELECT 11 SEMESTER CREDITS FROM SPANISH COURSES NUMBERED 3300 OR ABOVE:

II REQUIRED ELECTIVES

SELECT 6 SEMESTER CREDITS WITH CONSENT OF ADVISOR

REQUIRED PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:

- ED 3100 Introduction to the Foundations of Public School Education (3 credits)  
- ED 3110 Educational Psychology (3 credits)  
- ED 3140 Human Relations In Education (3 credits)  
- ED 3350 Pedagogy: Planning for Instruction (3 credits)  
- ED 3780 Adaptation and Management: Designing the Learning Environment (3 credits)  
- ED 4737 Content Area Reading (3 credits)  
- ED 4799 The Professional Teacher (1 credit)  
- HLTH 3400 Health and Drugs in Society (2 credits)

Complete 12 credits of student teaching:

- ED 4830 Student Teaching - Secondary (1-12 credits)

Spanish, B.A. major

Required Credits: 28
Required GPA: 2.25

I REQUIRED CORE COURSES

SELECT 22 SEMESTER CREDITS FROM SPANISH COURSES NUMBERED 3300 OR ABOVE:

II REQUIRED ELECTIVES

SELECT 6 SEMESTER CREDITS WITH CONSENT OF ADVISOR

SUGGESTED SEMESTER SCHEDULE FOR SPANISH MAJOR, B.A.

The following is a list of required language courses arranged by year. This schedule is intended to help students plan their courses in an orderly fashion; however, these are only suggestions and this schedule is flexible. Students entering with previous high school language background may begin at the 2000 or 3000 level. See department chair for placement testing.
The following liberal education courses are recommended for students majoring in a modern language: European and/or other appropriate History courses, Philosophy, European and/or appropriate Art History courses, folk dance, Economics, or Political Science.

Freshman
- SPAN 1111 Elementary Spanish I (4 credits)
- SPAN 1112 Elementary Spanish II (4 credits)
- Second major or minor course work
- Liberal Education requirements

Sophomore
- SPAN 2211 Intermediate Spanish I (3 credits)
- SPAN 2212 Intermediate Spanish II (3 credits)
- Second major or minor course work
- Liberal Education requirements

Junior
- SPAN 3311 Composition and Conversation (3 credits)
- SPAN 3312 Advanced Readings and Conversation (3 credits)
- Second major or minor course work
- Complete Liberal Education requirements

Senior
- SPAN 4427 Spanish Culture and Civilization (3 credits)
- Spanish 3311 or above
- Complete second major or minor course work

Ojibwe minor

Required Credits: 12
Required GPA: 2.00

I REQUIRED CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:
- OJIB 3311 Advanced Ojibwe I (4 credits)
- OJIB 3312 Advanced Ojibwe II (4 credits)

II REQUIRED STUDY

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSE:
- OJIB 3400 Instruction of Ojibwe Language (4 credits)

Chinese Courses

CHIN 1111 Elementary Chinese I (4 credits)
For students with no previous knowledge of Chinese. Practice in understanding, speaking, reading and writing, including work with pronunciation, grammar and culture. The language lab is used to reinforce classroom instruction. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

CHIN 1112 Elementary Chinese II (4 credits)
For students with no previous knowledge of Chinese. Practice in understanding, speaking, reading and writing, including work with pronunciation, grammar and culture. The language lab is used to reinforce classroom instruction. Prerequisite: CHIN 1111. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

All-University Courses

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1980, 2980, 3980, 4980 RESEARCH
1990, 2990, 3990, 4990 THESIS

Certificate Of Ojibwe Language Instruction

Required Credits: 12
Required GPA: 2.00

I REQUIRED CORE COURSES

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSES:
- OJIB 3311 Advanced Ojibwe I (4 credits)
- OJIB 3312 Advanced Ojibwe II (4 credits)

II REQUIRED STUDY

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING COURSE:
- OJIB 3400 Instruction of Ojibwe Language (4 credits)

Modern Languages Courses

ML 1111 American Sign Language I (3 credits)
In this introductory course, students learn basic sign vocabulary, grammatical structure, and fingerspelling. Introduction to the Deaf community as a linguistic and cultural minority in the United States. Explores differences in hearing and Deaf cultures throughout the world. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.
ML 1112 American Sign Language 2 (3 credits)
In this introductory course, students continue to learn basic sign vocabulary, grammatical structure, and fingerspelling. Students deepen their knowledge of the Deaf community as a linguistic and cultural minority in the United States. Explores differences in hearing and Deaf cultures throughout the world. Prerequisite: ED 1111 or ML 1111. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

ML 1911 Directed Independent Study (3 credits)
Arranged individual study.

ML 3430 Linguistics (3 credits)
The general linguistic topics of phonology, morphology, syntax, lexicography, historical linguistics, and language acquisition theory. Students explore various topics in the language of their interest (German, Spanish, Ojibwe, English).

ML 3470 Methods Of Teaching Modern Languages (4 credits)
Principles and practices in modern language teaching at both the high school and elementary levels. Prerequisites: GER 3312 or OJIB 3312 or SPAN 3312 or consent of instructor and ED 3110.

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Ojibwe Courses

OJIB 1100 Ojibwe Culture (4 credits)
Surveys aspects of Ojibwe culture and history from pre-contact to the present. Liberal Education Goal Areas 6 & 7. (Might not be offered every year.)

OJIB 1111 Elementary Ojibwe I (4 credits)
The language of the Ojibwe with an emphasis on oral-aural skills as well as non-linguistic aspects of cultural background and surroundings. Prerequisite: Please consult with program faculty. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

OJIB 1112 Elementary Ojibwe II (4 credits)
The language of the Ojibwe with an emphasis on oral-aural skills as well as non-linguistic aspects of cultural background and surroundings. Prerequisite: OJIB 1111 or consent of instructor. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

OJIB 2211 Intermediate Ojibwe I (4 credits)
The language of the Ojibwe with continued emphasis on oral-aural skills as well as non-linguistic aspects of cultural background and surroundings. Prerequisite: OJIB 1112 or consent of instructor. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

OJIB 2212 Intermediate Ojibwe II (4 credits)
The language of the Ojibwe with continued emphasis on oral-aural skills as well as non-linguistic aspects of cultural background and surroundings. Prerequisite: OJIB 2211 or consent of instructor. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

OJIB 3213 Ojibwe Oral Literature (4 credits)
Students meet for the first several weeks to discuss, learn, and be tested on their knowledge of Ojibwe oral literature and methodologies for its collection. The last several weeks of the course are designed for students to meet, record, transcribe, translate, and analyze oral literature that they themselves collect from fluent speakers in the region. Guidance will be given at all stages. Prerequisite: OJIB 2212 or consent of instructor. Liberal Education Goal Area 6 (Might not be offered every year.)

OJIB 3311 Advanced Ojibwe I (4 credits)
Continued development of all skills in Ojibwe with special attention to grammar and oral tradition. Prerequisite: OJIB 2212 or consent of instructor. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

OJIB 3312 Advanced Ojibwe II (4 credits)
Continued development of all skills in Ojibwe with special attention to grammar and oral tradition. Prerequisite: OJIB 3311 or consent of instructor. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

OJIB 3400 Instruction of Ojibwe Language (4 credits)
Students meet for the first several weeks to discuss, learn, and be tested on their knowledge of Ojibwe curriculum, teaching strategies, and grammar paradigms. The last several weeks of the course are designed for students to develop their own lesson plans or methodological research on the instruction of the Ojibwe language. Guidance will be given at all stages. Prerequisite: OJIB 3312 or consent of instructor. (Might not be offered every year.)

OJIB 4430 Ojibwe Grammar and Linguistics (1 credit)
The application of knowledge from ML 3430 Linguistics to the Ojibwe language. Intensive grammar review as needed. Emphasis on aspects of the language that enhance the teaching of Ojibwe to English-speaking students. Prerequisite: OJIB 3312 or consent of instructor.

Spanish Courses

SPAN 1100 Hispanic Culture And Spanish Language (0 credit)
Students acquire a basic understanding of the Hispanic culture and language. This course is taught in English, but basic Spanish expressions and Hispanic customs are emphasized. It is particularly suitable for students who have never studied a foreign language. The multidisciplinary composition of this course complements the study of all academic areas including International Studies.

SPAN 1111 Elementary Spanish I (4 credits)
Study and practice of the four basic skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Stress on pronunciation, basic grammatical forms, and language patterns. Special emphasis on the Hispanic culture and civilization. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.
SPAN 1112 Elementary Spanish II (4 credits)  
Study and practice of the four basic skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Stress on pronunciation, basic grammatical forms, and language patterns. Special emphasis on the Hispanic culture and civilization. Prerequisite: SPAN 1111 or consent of instructor. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

SPAN 2211 Intermediate Spanish I (3 credits)  
Continuation of practice in the development of the four basic language skills. Continued acquisition of grammatical forms. Strong emphasis on the culture and civilization of Spain and Latin America. Prerequisite: SPAN 1112 or consent of instructor. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

SPAN 2212 Intermediate Spanish II (3 credits)  
Continuation of practice in the development of the four basic language skills. Continued acquisition of grammatical forms. Strong emphasis on the culture and civilization of Spain and Latin America. Prerequisite: SPAN 2211 or consent of instructor. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

SPAN 3300 Study Abroad (1-18 credits)  
Variable semester credits up to 18 credits to be granted to students of Bemidji State University for resident study in Spanish language area.

SPAN 3311 Composition and Conversation (3 credits)  
A course designed to refine the basic skills of understanding oral and written Spanish and improving the correct grammatical writing of Spanish. The emphasis is on Spanish composition through literature. Prerequisite: SPAN 2212 or consent of instructor. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

SPAN 3312 Advanced Readings and Conversation (3 credits)  
Continuation of the practice of the skills of speaking, listening, and writing, with emphasis on reading both Spanish and Latin American short stories and plays. Prerequisite: SPAN 3311 or consent of instructor. Liberal Education Goal Area 8.

SPAN 3313 Spanish Conversation Workshop (1-4 credits)  
A course designed to refine the basic skills of understanding oral Spanish. Prerequisite: SPAN 2212 or consent of instructor; Corequisite: SPAN 3311 and SPAN 3312 or consent of instructor. (Might not be offered every year.)

SPAN 3314 Spanish for the Professions (3 credits)  
A course designed to develop the Spanish vocabulary necessary for work in a specific field. Professional areas change as announced: medical professions, education, business and finance, social work, criminal justice, law and the courtroom. Prerequisites: SPAN 3311 and SPAN 3312 or consent of instructor. (Might not be offered every year.)

SPAN 3315 Advanced Spanish Grammar Review (2 credits)  
A course for advanced students who need a systematic review of Spanish morphology and syntax. Emphasis on special problems such as accentuation, uses of the subjunctive, prepositions and pronouns, "ser/estar." Prerequisites: SPAN 2212 or SPAN 3311. (Might not be offered every year.)

SPAN 4413 Hispanic Short Fiction (3 credits)  
A study of selected works of short fiction from Spain and Latin America. Prerequisite: SPAN 3312 or consent of instructor. (Might not be offered every year.)

SPAN 4414 The Hispanic Novel (3 credits)  
A study of selected novels from Spain and Latin America. Prerequisite: SPAN 3312 or consent of instructor. (Might not be offered every year.)

SPAN 4415 A Study of Selected Hispanic Drama (3 credits)  
A study of selected works. Prerequisite: SPAN 3312 or consent of instructor. (Might not be offered every year.)

SPAN 4416 Hispanic Poetry (3 credits)  
A study of selected works. Prerequisite: SPAN 3312. (Might not be offered every year.)

SPAN 4418 Medieval and Golden Age Literature (3 credits)  
A study of selected works of early Spanish literature and the Siglo de Oro and their social and cultural context. Prerequisite: SPAN 3312 or consent of instructor. (Might not be offered every year.)

SPAN 4420 Twentieth Century Literature (3 credits)  
A study of selected works of twentieth century Spanish and Latin American authors and their social and cultural context. Prerequisite: SPAN 3312 or consent of instructor. (Might not be offered every year.)

SPAN 4421 Women in Hispanic Literature and Culture (3 credits)  
A study of selected literature from a broad range of Hispanic women writers from antiquity to the present. Prerequisite: SPAN 3312 or consent of instructor. (Might not be offered every year.)

SPAN 4422 Hispanic Literature and Culture in the United States (3 credits)  
A bilingual offering of selected works of authors of Hispanic literature in the United States. Prerequisite: ENGL 2152 or ENGL 3150. (Might not be offered every year.)

SPAN 4423 From Text to Image: Hispanic Film and Literature (3 credits)  
A study of the relationship between narrative and cinema in the Hispanic world. (Might not be offered every year.)

SPAN 4426 Latin American Culture and Civilization (3 credits)  
History of Spanish American culture and civilization from antiquity to the present. Prerequisite: SPAN 3312 or consent of instructor. [Might not be offered every year.]

SPAN 4427 Spanish Culture and Civilization (3 credits)  
History of Spanish culture and civilization from antiquity to the present. Prerequisite: SPAN 3312 or consent of instructor. (Might not be offered every year.)

SPAN 4428 Modern Language Honors (2-4 credits)  
See Department Chair for course requirements. Prerequisite: SPAN 3312 or consent of instructor. (Might not be offered every year.)

SPAN 4430 Spanish Grammar and Linguistics (1 credit)  
The application of knowledge from ML 3430 Linguistics to the Spanish language. Intensive grammar review as needed. Emphasis on aspects of the language that enhance the teaching of Spanish to English-speaking students. Corequisite: ML 3430.

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