

Spanish

LIBERAL STUDIES SPECIALIZATION in SPANISH (AY 2010-2011)

Choosing a Specialization

Fill out a **Choice of Specialization** form and submit it to the Liberal Studies office; this will help the University add your specialization to your degree evaluation. When you apply for graduation, write the name of your specialization where the form asks for Emphasis. For help with choosing a specialization, consult the **Specialization Flowchart** or see an adviser.

Who should consider this specialization:

This specialization is of special interest to students who are considering entering the **BILINGUAL credential program** at SDSU. The BILINGUAL credential program (Spanish-English) at SDSU requires candidates to pass a class to establish Spanish language proficiency, and the Spanish specialization coursework can help students acquire the necessary knowledge and skills to pass the class.

NOTE: Students who graduated from high school in a Spanish speaking country should see an adviser before selecting a specialization.

BILINGUAL SPANISH LANGUAGE AUTHORIZATION

Students who are interested in the BILINGUAL credential program at SDSU will be required to demonstrate Spanish language proficiency through successful completion of PLC 415 (included in the specialization). For more information about the structure and content of this class, contact the Policy Studies Department office (619) 594-5155, BA 248.

Upper Division - 12 units required

Choose **one** option

Students are free to choose whichever option they prefer. **Option A** is generally recommended for students who grew up in the United States speaking both English and Spanish at home but were educated entirely (or almost entirely) in English. Such students are sometimes referred to as *US Hispanics* or *Heritage Speakers*. **Option B** is generally recommended for students who grew up speaking mainly English at home. These students are often referred to as *English Speakers*.

Option A: (recommended for *Heritage Speakers*) Students who wish to choose Option A should register for SPAN 381 and then take the diagnostic test offered in class at the beginning of the semester in which they're enrolled. Students whose test score places them in 381 will be allowed to remain in 381 and continue with Option A. Students whose test scores place them in a lower level can either continue with Option A by starting at that lower level (281 or 282) and progressing to 381 (and beyond) or they can choose to switch to Option B.

Option B: (recommended for *English Speakers*) Students who prefer to pursue Option B can begin with SPAN 301 once they have completed the prerequisites (SPAN 202 and 212). There's no need for these students to enroll in SPAN 381.

Note that the prerequisites will depend on the option chosen.

Option A

Prerequisite: diagnostic placement score for SPAN 381

Option B

Prerequisites: SPAN 202 and 212

Structure and Use (6 units)

SPAN 381
SPAN 350 (prerequisite: SPAN 381)

Culture or Linguistics (3 units), select from:

SPAN 340
SPAN 341
SPAN 342
SPAN 448

Elective (3 units), select from:

SPAN 405A or B
SPAN 406A or B
PLC 415 (by petition)

Structure and Use (9 units)

SPAN 301
SPAN 302
SPAN 350 (prerequisite: SPAN 301 and 302)

Elective (3 units), select from:

SPAN 340
SPAN 341
SPAN 342
SPAN 405A or B
SPAN 406A or B
PLC 415 (by petition)

STUDY ABROAD POSSIBILITY!! Students interested in studying abroad may be able to work on this specialization in a study abroad program. Contact Karey Sabol <ksabol@mail.sdsu.edu> to discuss possibilities.