**Department of Modern Languages and Literatures**

**School of Arts and Humanities**

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**Program Description**

The Department of Modern Languages and Literatures has the following objectives:

1. To teach students the four basic skills of understanding, speaking, reading, and writing the languages offered;

2. To foster an interest in, and an understanding of other cultures and civilizations; and

3. To enhance understanding and control of English through a comparison with the structures of other languages.

The Department of Modern Languages and Literatures offers Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees in Spanish, and minors in Spanish and French. A Special Major in French is available to interested students (see Special Major, page 57).

**Mission Statement**

Depending on the area of concentration selected by the student, the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures:

 Prepares teachers of modern languages;

 Equips teachers with the necessary basic knowledge and skills for teaching modern languages;

 Provides those modern language skills that are necessary or highly desirable in academic career fields, and other fields such as medicine, law enforcement, social work, international trade, business, government service, diplomatic and military service, sports, translating, interpreting, journalism, and broadcasting.

**Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts Degree with a Major in Spanish**

The Bachelor of Arts Degree with a major in Spanish requires a minimum of 180 units which includes courses for the major and minor and courses for the other university-wide graduation requirements: General Education, American Institutions, First-Year Experience, Gender-Race-Ethnicity, and Upper Division Writing, and Foreign Language (see pages 52-55).

**Total Units Required to Graduate 180 units**

**Major Requirements 55 units**

Lower Division 10

Upper Division 45

**Minor Requirement 20 units**

**Other University Requirements 77-92 units**

CSUB 101 2

American Institutions 5-10\*

Area A 15

Area B 15

Area C 10-15\*

Area D 10-15\*

Theme 1 5

Theme 2 0-5\*

Theme 3 5

GRE 0-5\*

GWAR (Exam) or Class 0\*

\*may be satisfied in major, minor or other university requirement

**Additional Units 0-8 units**

See http://www.csub.edu/schedules.shtml for current list of courses satisfying university-wide requirements.

**Note:** One (1) quarter unit of credit normally represents one hour of in-class work and 2-3 hours of outside study per week.

**Requirements for the Major in Spanish**

The Spanish major has the following discipline-based requirements. The minimum requirements for a major in Spanish are the courses listed below or equivalent courses:

1. SPAN 201, 202, 300 or 409, 301, 302, 303, 424 or 426 or 428, 412 or 420, 490.

2. Ten units selected from the department’s upper division courses taught in Spanish (not including SPAN 427).

3. The satisfactory completion of one of the three options listed below:

a. A special minor.

b. A minor consisting of at least 20 quarter units designed by another discipline.

c. An interdisciplinary concentration or minor in one of the specially developed areas (see “Interdisciplinary Concentrations and Minors”).

Students planning to teach are urged to select courses from the following (in consultation with their advisor): SPAN 300, 428, 415, 409, 413.

**Teaching Credential-Spanish Teacher Preparation Program**

The California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC) has authorized CSUB to offer a single subject matter preparation program in Spanish leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree. All of the following courses or equivalent courses are required (9 courses, 46 units):

1. SPAN 201, 202, 300, 301, 302, 303, 409, 424 or 426 or 428, 412 or 420 and 490, plus two upper division elective courses taught in Spanish.

**Requirements for the Minor in Spanish**

A minimum of 20 quarter units of which no more than 10 may be chosen from courses at the 200 level, with the remainder to be selected from courses at the upper division level (not including SPAN 427).

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**Requirements for the Minor in French**

A minimum of 20 quarter units of which no more than 10 may be chosen from courses at the 200-level, with the remainder to be selected from courses at the upper division levels.