HUS

Spanish Literature and Culture
Courses in English

HUS 254: Latin America Today
An introduction to a continental perspective of 20th-century Latin American culture. Latin America’s political, historical, and cultural developments of this century are studied.

DEC: J
SBC: GLO, HUM
3 credits

HUS 255: Modern Spain
An examination of major cultural and social developments in Spain throughout the 20th century, with special emphasis on the Spanish Civil War, the Franco era, and the transition to democracy. Presented in English, the course seeks to enhance understanding of Spain through analysis of such issues as national character, change and continuity, and regional diversity.

DEC: I
SBC: GLO, HUM
3 credits

HUS 261: Latin American Literature
A topics course given in English on a major Latin American author or literary movement in relation to European or American literature. May be repeated as the topic changes. May be used to satisfy English or comparative literature major requirements with permission of major department.

DEC: G
SBC: GLO, HUM
3 credits

HUS 271: United States Latino Literature and Culture
A topics course in English on the literature, cultures and histories of Latinos in the United States. May be repeated as the topic changes. May be used to satisfy English or comparative literature major requirements with permission of major department.

DEC: G
SBC: HUM, USA
3 credits

HUS 390: Latin American Cinema
A contextual approach to the national cinemas of Latin America. Students develop their skill in film analysis as they examine the specific role of film in re-focusing the terms of ongoing debates on questions of national identity and the function of culture in society.

Prerequisite: U3 or U4 standing. Advisory Prerequisite: One 200-level course in film or one course in Latin American literature, culture, or history

DEC: J
SBC: GLO, HFA+
3 credits

SPN

Hispanic Languages and Literature

SPN 111: Elementary Spanish I
An introduction to spoken and written Spanish, stressing pronunciation, speaking, comprehension, reading, and writing. Language laboratory supplements class work. Intended for students without any prior knowledge of the language, or those with a High School Regents score of less than 74. All entering students who have not taken the Regents exam should take a placement exam to evaluate their proficiency. Please see https://llrc.stonybrook.edu/placement-exams for more information.

4 credits

SPN 112: Elementary Spanish II
An introduction to spoken and written Spanish, stressing pronunciation, speaking, comprehension, reading, and writing. Language laboratory supplements class work. Intended for students with a High School Regents score of 75 - 84. All entering students who have not taken the Regents exam should take a placement exam to evaluate their proficiency. Please see https://llrc.stonybrook.edu/placement-exams for more information.

Prerequisite: SPN 111
DEC: S3
SBC: GLO, HUM
3 credits

SPN 211: Intermediate Spanish I
A comprehensive review of the Spanish language. The course is intended to develop competence in reading, writing, and speaking Spanish through the study of grammar and interpretation of selected literary texts. Intended for students with a High School Regents score of 85 and above. All entering students who have not taken the Regents exam should take a placement exam to evaluate their proficiency. Please see https://llrc.stonybrook.edu/placement-exams for more information. Not intended for students of Spanish-speaking background.

Prerequisite: SPN 112 or placement into 211. See https://llrc.stonybrook.edu/placement-exams for more information.
DEC: S3
SBC: GLO
3 credits

SPN 212: Intermediate Spanish II
A comprehensive study of the Spanish language, taking into account its regional variations. The course is intended to develop greater competence in reading, writing, and speaking Spanish through continued study of grammar and interpretation of more advanced literary texts. Not intended for students of Spanish-speaking background.

Prerequisite: SPN 211
DEC: S3
SBC: GLO, HUM
3 credits

SPN 310: Spanish Grammar and Composition for Students of Hispanic-American Background
A course designed to improve writing through the study of Hispanic-American literature and culture. May not be taken for credit in addition to SPN 311.

Prerequisite: fluency in Spanish equivalent to SPN 212
DEC: S3
SBC: HFA+
3 credits

SPN 311: Spanish Conversation and Composition
A thorough review of Spanish grammar and of the active use of spoken and written forms. Not intended for students of Spanish-speaking background. May not be taken for credit in addition to SPN 310.

Prerequisite: SPN 212
DEC: S3
SBC: HFA+
3 credits

SPN 312: Introduction to Literary Studies
Reading of selected passages of prose and poetry in class, with special concentration on improving students’ written and oral skills, and introducing them to the basic elements of literary analysis of Spanish and Latin American works.

Prerequisite: SPN 310 or 311
SPN 321: Advanced Spanish Grammar and Composition
A review of advanced Spanish grammar with emphasis on improving writing skills and increasing mastery of Spanish syntax. Extensive practice in composition and in translation.
Prerequisites: SPN 312
DEC: G & 3
SBC: HFA+, SPK
3 credits

SPN 322: Practical Spanish
A course for students who wish to become more proficient in reading, writing, and translating Spanish, to be used in business, administration, and in other fields of everyday professional life. Emphasis is placed on the idiomatic peculiarities of the Spanish language and the relation of Spanish to the structure of English.
Prerequisites: SPN 312
DEC: S3
SBC: HFA+
3 credits

SPN 323: Advanced Spanish Conversation
A course designed to develop and maintain complete fluency in the language. Not open to native-background speakers or students who have been in a Spanish-speaking country for a considerable length of time.
Prerequisites: SPN 312
DEC: S3
SBC: HFA+
3 credits

SPN 391: The Culture and Civilization of Spain
The evolution of the culture and civilization of Spain as seen through its history, art, and literature.
Prerequisites: SPN 312
DEC: 1 & 3
SBC: GLO, HFA+
3 credits

SPN 392: The Culture and Civilization of Spanish America
The evolution of the culture and civilization of Spanish America as seen through its history, art, and literature.
Prerequisites: SPN 312

SPN 393: Introduction to Hispanic Linguistics
The study of Spanish linguistics, including an analysis of the Spanish sound system and the structure of words and sentences. Topics include the origin and evolution of the Spanish language and the dialects of Latin American and Peninsular Spanish.
Prerequisite: SPN 321
SBC: SBS
3 credits

SPN 395: Introduction to Spanish-American Literature I
Readings in Spanish-American literature from its native origins through colonial rule.
Prerequisites: SPN 312
DEC: J & 3
SBC: HFA+
3 credits

SPN 396: Introduction to Spanish-American Literature II
Readings in Spanish-American literature from the late colonial period to the present.
Prerequisites: SPN 312
DEC: J & 3
SBC: HFA+
3 credits

SPN 397: Introduction to Spanish-American Literature I
Readings in Peninsular literature from its origins through the 17th century.
Prerequisites: SPN 312
DEC: 1 & 3
SBC: HFA+
3 credits

SPN 398: Introduction to Spanish Literature II
Readings in Peninsular literature from the 18th century to the present.
Prerequisites: SPN 312
DEC: 1 & 3
SBC: HFA+
3 credits

SPN 399: Issues in Hispanic Cultural Studies
Readings, viewings, and theoretical discussion of Spanish or Latin American culture with special focus on one or more issues (colonialism, imperialism, national identity, indigenism, subjectivity) as manifested in a specific cultural form or forms (testimonial literature, popular culture, cinema, novel, short story, poetry, television). May be repeated as the topic changes.
Prerequisite(s): SPN 391 or 397 or 398 (for a Spanish topic), or SPN 392 or 395 or 396 (for a Latin American topic), or one course from each group (for a cross-cultural topic)
DEC: S3
SBC: ESI, HFA+
3 credits

SPN 410: Theory in Contexts
The critical analysis of texts as they relate to Spanish or Latin American political, social, and gender relations and institutions. Sample topics include gender and representation, Marxism and Freudianism, the body, carnival, orality, the picaresque. Semester supplements to this Bulletin contain specific description when course is offered. May be repeated as the topic changes.
Prerequisite(s): SPN 391 or 397 or 398 (for a Spanish topic), or SPN 392 or 395 or 396 (for a Latin American topic), or one course from each group (for a cross-cultural topic)
DEC: S3
SBC: ESI, HFA+
3 credits

SPN 415: Hispanic Cultures in Contact
Contemporary perspectives on Hispanic cultures in contact with each other and with non-Hispanic cultures. Sample topics include the literature of exile, border literature, ethnicity and culture, Amerindian literatures, Latino/Latina literature, Spanish and Latin American cultural contacts. May be repeated as the topic changes.
Prerequisite(s): SPN 391 or 397 or 398 (for a Spanish topic), or SPN 392 or 395 or 396 (for a Latin American topic), or one course from each group (for a cross-cultural topic)
DEC: S3
SBC: ESI, HFA+
3 credits

SPN 420: Topics in Spanish and Latin American Cinema
May be repeated as the topic changes.
Prerequisite(s): SPN 391 or 397 or 398 (for a Spanish topic), or SPN 392 or 395 or 396 (for a Latin American topic), or one course from each group (for a cross-cultural topic)
SBC: ARTS, HFA+
3 credits
SPN 435: Topics in Latin American Literature from the Colonial Period to the Present
Semester supplements to this Bulletin contain specific description when course is offered. May be repeated as the topic changes.
Prerequisite: SPN 392 or 396
DEC:  S3
SBC:  ESI, HFA+
3 credits

SPN 445: Topics in Spanish Literature from the Middle Ages to the Present
May be repeated as the topic changes.
Prerequisite: SPN 391 or 397 or 398
DEC:  S3
SBC:  ESI, HFA+
3 credits

SPN 447: Directed Readings
Individually supervised studies in selected topics of Hispanic language, literature, and culture. May be repeated. Normally no more than three credits are allowed toward the major requirements; other credits are considered as electives.
Prerequisites: Permission of instructor and department
DEC:  S3
SBC:  EXP+
1-6 credits

SPN 462: Contrastive Spanish-English Phonology
A study of Spanish and English phonology and phonetics from a contrastive linguistics perspective. Its relation to the analysis of bilingualism.
Prerequisite: SPN 393 or LIN 101 or HUL 324
DEC:  S3
SBC:  HFA+
3 credits

SPN 463: Contrastive Spanish-English Grammar
In-depth investigation of particular areas of Spanish and English grammar for purposes of language teaching.
Prerequisite: SPN 393 or LIN 101 or HUL 324
DEC:  S3
SBC:  HFA+
3 credits

SPN 465: Topics in Hispanic Linguistics
Semester supplements to this Bulletin contain specific description when course is offered. May be repeated as the topic changes.
Prerequisite: SPN 393 or LIN 101 or HUL 324
DEC:  S3
SBC:  HFA+
3 credits

SPN 475: Undergraduate Teaching Practicum in Spanish
An opportunity for selected upper-division students to collaborate with the faculty in teaching a language class. Responsibilities may include preparing material for practice sessions and helping students with problems. Application for approval must be submitted to the director of undergraduate studies the previous semester.
Prerequisites: U3 or U4 Spanish major; preferably U4 standing; permission of director of undergraduate studies
DEC:  S3
SBC:  EXP+
3 credits, S/U grading

SPN 495: Spanish Senior Honors
A one-semester project for seniors. Arranged in consultation with the department, the project involves writing a paper, under the close supervision of an appropriate instructor, on a suitable topic. Students who are candidates for honors take this course.
Prerequisites: 3.50 g.p.a. in major; Spanish courses in major; 3.00 overall g.p.a.; U4 standing; permission of department
DEC:  S3
3 credits