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SPANISH EDUCATION SPECIALIZATION HANDBOOK

FOR SPECIALIZATION LEADING TO
WEST VIRGINIA
5-ADULT SPANISH CERTIFICATION

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Spanish Education (5-Adult) Program Goals

The major in Secondary Education, Spanish Education Teaching Field, seeks to help prepare students to live and teach in a complex, technological, and diverse world by introducing them to varying perspectives offered by a thorough study of Spanish and Latin American literature and the Spanish language. Through these perspectives, sociological and personal barriers may be broken down, and the possibilities as well as the paradoxes of human existence may be better understood and taught.

The purpose of the Spanish Education specialization is to:

- Encourage students to think critically and to communicate their thoughts effectively by helping them develop the skills necessary to understand, utilize, and teach the Spanish language;
- Contribute to the liberal arts education of all students by exposing them to the diversity and richness of Spanish and Latin American literature and culture; and
- Prepare candidates within Secondary Education, Spanish Education Field, to become reflective problem solvers capable of teaching Spanish on the middle and secondary levels in a country as ethnically diverse as ours.

Shepherd University EPP Admissions Requirements

Juncture I (Admission to EPP) Requirements:

- Must have an overall GPA of 2.75 and a 2.75 Shepherd GPA (incl. Transfer Students).
- Must have a C or better in all Specialty and Professional Courses (speak with your advisor).
- *Must have passed the PRAXIS I CORE/CASE or provided proof of exemption as determined/required by the State of West Virginia. *Please speak with your advisor regarding the exemptions/requirements/deadlines regarding the PRAXIS I CORE/CASE exams.*
- Contact your advisor with any questions about any additional course work or requirements that must be completed before applying for Juncture I.

Juncture II (Admission to ST / Residency II) Requirements:

- Must have an overall GPA of 2.75 and a 2.75 Shepherd GPA (incl. Transfer Students).
- Must have a C or better in all Specialty and Professional Courses (speak with your advisor).
- Must have an overall 2.75 GPA in Specialty and Professional Courses (speak with your advisor).
- You must pass all PRAXIS II Content exams before you will be permitted to student teach or enter Residency II. *Please speak with your advisor regarding the deadlines for passing the PRAXIS II Content exams.*

For policies and procedures related to all teacher candidates within the EPP at Shepherd, review the [EPP Student Handbook](#) and/or the [Practicum Manual](#) and/or [School of Education website](#). For more specific information regarding your program and its requirements, contact your advisor/specialization coordinator.

Spanish Education Grades 5-Adult (YRL Residency) Four-Year Course Progression – Fall 2025 Catalog

FALL				SPRING			
Sub./Course No.	Tier	First Year Title	Credit	Sub./Course No.	Tier	First Year Title	Credit
EDUC 150*	1	Seminar in Education (FYEX)	1	EDUC 200*	2	Foundations of American Education (SO-MD)	3
Core Curriculum	1	ENGL 101	3	Core Curriculum	1	ENGL 102	3
Core Curriculum	1	Choose Science course (LS)	4	COMM 202	2	Fundamentals of Speech (HM) (Req.)	3
Core Curriculum	1	Mathematics (MA)	3	Core Curriculum	1	Choose Science course (LS)	4
SPAN 101		Elementary Spanish I	3	SPAN 102		Elementary Spanish II	3
Take Praxis I CASE (See below.)*			TOTAL	Take Praxis I CASE (See below.)*			TOTAL
			14				16

FALL				SPRING			
Sub./Course No.	Tier	Second Year Title	Credit	Sub./Course No.	Tier	Second Year Title	Credit
Core Curriculum	1	History	3	EDUC 360*		Survey of Exceptional Children (SO-MD)	3
Core Curriculum	2	WELL 201 (WE)	3	Core Curriculum		Choose with advisor (Art)	3
Elective	2	Humanities or Social Science Elective (CK)	3	Elective		Humanities or Social Science Elective	3
SPAN 203	2	Intermediate Spanish I	3	SPAN 204		Intermediate Spanish II	3
Elective		Choose with advisor	3	Elective		Choose with advisor	3
Take Praxis I CASE (See below.)*			TOTAL				TOTAL
			15				15

**** SPAN 411 Study Abroad can be taken any summer or as part of Semester Abroad 3. ****

FALL		THIRD YEAR		JUNCTURE 1 / ADMISSION TO EPP REQUIRED TO PROCEED	SPRING		THIRD YEAR		
Sub./Course No.	Tier	Title	Credit		Sub./Course No.	Tier	Title	Credit	
EDUC 320*		Social / Psychological Conditions of Learning	3		EDUC 370		Creating Learning Environments	4	
SPAN 301		Advanced Conversation and Composition I	3		SPAN 302		Advanced Conversation and Composition II	3	
SPAN 306		Peninsular Culture and Civilization	3		SPAN 307		Latin American Culture and Civilization	3	
SPAN 3xx		Spanish Elective	3		SPAN 404		Spanish Linguistics	3	
SPAN 3xx		Spanish Elective	3		EDUC 380		Innovative Technology	3	
APPLY FOR JUNCTURE 1		TOTAL	15		Take Praxis II or ACTFL (REQUIRED)			TOTAL	16

FALL				JUNCTURE 2 / ADMISSION TO EPP REQUIRED TO PROCEED	SPRING			
Sub./Course No.	Tier	Fourth Year Title	Credit		Sub./Course No.	Tier	Fourth Year Title	Credit
SPAN 4xx		Spanish Elective	3		EDUC 463		Residency II, 5-Adult (CP)	9
Elective		Choose with Advisor	3		EDUC 461		Clinical Experience Seminar (WM)	3
EDUC 443		Literacy in the Content Areas	3					
EDUC 425		Special Methods of Teaching Foreign Lang.	3				TOTAL	12
EDUC 400	2	Inclusion in the Regular Classroom	3					
SPAN 486		Spanish Educ Capstone	1					
EDUC 375		Sec Educ Residency I	0					
APPLY FOR JUNCTURE 2			TOTAL		DEGREE TOTAL			120**
			16					

****EDUC 461 is designated as the Writing in the Major [WM] course for Education.**

Spanish Education (5 – Adult), B.A.

***NOTE: All Electives must be selected from the approved listing; see current catalog or program handbook for guidelines. Candidates must also satisfy the B.A. Foreign Language Requirement in Spanish, either by taking the appropriate courses or through a departmental exam. Contact the Specialization Coordinator for more information.**

LIST OF SPANISH ELECTIVES:

SPAN 303 - The Contemporary Hispanic World (3 cr)
 SPAN 304 - Introduction to Spanish and Latin American Literature (3 cr)
 SPAN 305 - Spanish for the Professions (3cr)
 SPAN 310 - Survey of Spanish Literature I (3 cr) (recommended)
 SPAN 311 - Survey of Spanish Literature II (3 cr) (recommended)
 SPAN 312 - Survey of Latin American Literature I (3 cr) (recommended)
 SPAN 313 - Survey of Latin American Literature II (3 cr) (recommended)
 SPAN 367 - Spanish and Latin American Film Studies (3 cr)
 SPAN 400 - Survey in Spanish I: Hispanic Short Story (3 cr)
 SPAN 401 - Survey in Spanish II: Hispanic Drama (3 cr)

SPAN 410 - Practicum in Spanish (3 cr)
 SPAN 415 - Spanish Phonetics/Phonology (3cr)
 SPAN 416 - Studies in Bilingualism (3 cr)
 SPAN 419 - Independent Study in Spanish (1-6 cr) Must earn 3 cr total

SPAN 402 - Survey in Spanish III: Hispanic Novel (3 cr)
 SPAN 403 - Survey in Spanish IV: Hispanic Poetry (3 cr)
 SPAN 405 - Seminar in Literature I (3 cr)
 SPAN 406 - Seminar in Literature II (3 cr)
 SPAN 407 - Seminar in Literature III (3 cr)

NOTE: Students in the Spanish Education program must also satisfy the [B.A. Foreign Language Requirement](#) in Spanish, either by taking the appropriate courses or through a departmental challenge exam. See professional education course listings under Education: Professional Studies Core for Secondary Education (37 hours required).

