

Certificate in Spanish for the Professions

Admission

The program prepares students for careers in the field of translation, interpretation and other settings of applied Spanish. The certificate in Spanish for the professions is designed to train students to become linguistically capable, knowledgeable and culturally sensitive individuals able to perform language services in professional settings where Spanish is used.

Admission to the certificate program requires a 3.000 GPA with 1) an earned bachelor's in Spanish or 2) another area with an advanced level of Spanish (to be determined by the program coordinator).

All students (native, heritage or non-native speakers) need to take an entrance test on grammar and basic translation and interpretation skills, and earn a passing grade equivalent to a 3.000.

A candidate for a degree must pass SPAN 526 Advanced Spanish Grammar and Composition or an equivalent course (for students outside WSU) with a grade equivalent to 3.000 at either the undergraduate or graduate level. This course will not count toward the completion of this certificate.

Current graduate students of WSU should complete the Declaration of Intent to Pursue a Graduate Certificate form through the Graduate School website (<http://www.wichita.edu/graduate/>)¹. The admission review faculty may request any of the listed admission requirements before rendering an admission decision on the request.

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Program Requirements

The program consists of 12 credit hours:

Course	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
SPAN 557	Principles of Translation and Interpreting	3
SPAN 558	Advanced Translation and Interpreting	3
SPAN 561	Practicum in Spanish for the Professions	3
SPAN 559	Spanish for the Health Professions	3
or SPAN 552	Business Spanish	
Alternate Course Option		
SPAN 805	Directed Readings Spanish ¹	
Total Credit Hours		12

¹ This course could replace one of the above required courses if its content is approved by the graduate coordinator.

Courses between 500-799 taken at the undergraduate level cannot be used toward the completion of a graduate certificate.

In addition to these requirements, students must meet the Graduate School's requirements (<http://catalog.wichita.edu/graduate/academic-information/types-programs-courses/certificates-graduate-programs/>) in order to earn this certificate.

Examinations

Before the certificate is granted, all candidates must pass written and oral comprehensive examinations based on translation and interpretation materials. These exams cannot be taken more than twice.