

Program Description

The Spanish Transfer Pathway Associate of Arts (AA) degree program offers students a powerful option: the opportunity to complete an Associate of Arts degree with course credits that directly transfer to designated Spanish bachelor's degree programs at Minnesota State universities. The curriculum has been specifically designed so that students completing this pathway degree and transferring to one of the five Minnesota State universities enter the university with junior-year status. All courses in the Transfer Pathway associate degree will directly transfer and apply to the designated bachelor's degree programs in a related field.

Minnesota State Universities - Designated Degrees

- Bemidji State University: Spanish BA
- Minnesota State University, Mankato: Spanish BS
- Minnesota State University, Moorhead: Spanish BA
- St. Cloud State University: Spanish BA, Spanish BS
- Winona State University: Spanish BA

Program Goals

By completing this program, students will achieve the following learning goals:

1. Grammar, Vocabulary, and Reading Comprehension: Demonstrate a knowledge of grammar and vocabulary reflective of that presented in a typical intermediate level Spanish textbook, and the ability to comprehend the main points of authentic reading materials;
2. Verbal Communication: Discuss a variety of topics using multiple temporal frames of reference and levels of formality. Ask and reply to questions that require elaboration and substantiation of opinions. Make suggestions and recommendations; and
3. Written Communication: Convey ideas and opinions in writing. Narrate past events and experiences. Articulate suggestions or directions on a variety of topics, employing multiple temporal frames of reference.

Required Courses: 60 Total Credits

- SPAN 1101 Beginning Spanish Language and Culture I 5
 - SPAN 1102 Beginning Spanish Language and Culture II 5
 - SPAN 2201* Intermediate Spanish Language and Culture I 4
 - SPAN 2202* Intermediate Spanish Language and Culture II 4
- *It is strongly recommended that students complete SPAN 2201 and SPAN 2202 at the same institution.*

Choose at least one course from the following:

- SPAN 1111* Spanish and Latin American Culture: Pre-Columbian Civilizations..... 3
- SPAN 1112* Spanish and Latin American Culture: Conquest to present..... 3

**SPAN 1111 and SPAN 1112 will be offered during different semesters rather than concurrently. If possible, students are encouraged to take both courses.*

Complete 36 credits in courses from the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC), including all courses listed. You must complete all ten goal areas and maintain a cumulative 2.0 GPA for the entire MnTC. One course may satisfy more than one goal area, but the course credits may be counted only once.

- 1. Communication
 - ENGL 1120♦ **OR** ENGL 1121♦ 4
 - CMST 1110 **OR** CMST 2215 **OR** CMST 2220 3
- 2. Critical Thinking (*at least three courses required*)
- 3. Natural Science (*two courses required; one from each of two departments; one must include a lab*)
- 4. Mathematical/Logical Reasoning (*at least one course required*)
- 5. History/Social/Behavioral Sciences (*at least two courses required; one from each of two of the following categories*)
 - A. Economics/Geography
 - B. Anthropology/Psychology/Sociology
 - C. History/Political Science
- 6. Humanities/Fine Arts
 - SPAN 1111 **OR** SPAN 1112..... 3
 - AND one course from one of the two following categories:**
 - A. Literature
 - C. Art/Music/Theatre
- 7. Human Diversity
 - SPAN 1101..... 5
 - SPAN 1102..... 5
 - SPAN 2201..... 4
 - SPAN 2202..... 4
- 8. Global Perspective
 - SPAN 1101..... 5
 - SPAN 1102..... 5
 - SPAN 2201..... 4
 - SPAN 2202..... 4
- 9. Ethical/Civic Responsibility (*at least one course required*)
- 10. People and the Environment (*at least one course required*)
- Choose any HPER course(s) totaling at least three credits 3

♦ Course has prerequisite - see course schedule or catalog description.

^ Course requires Instructor permission.

NOTE: You are encouraged to contact an academic advisor at 763-433-1230 for course planning assistance and information about transfer credit evaluation and transfer options.

Spanish Transfer Pathway

Associate of Arts (AA) Degree

Pathway Plan

The following two-year Pathway Plan is suggested for full-time students. Part-time students will need more time to complete this pathway. For assistance with pathway planning, students should schedule an appointment with an academic advisor. See also the college catalog Appendix for course offering information.

Semester One (15 Credits)

- SPAN 1101 Beginning Spanish Language and Culture I 5
- General Ed/MnTC 10

Semester Two (15 Credits)

- SPAN 1102 Beginning Spanish Language and Culture II 5
- SPAN 1111* Spanish and Latin American Culture:
Pre-Columbian Civilizations
OR
- SPAN 1112* Spanish and Latin American Culture:
Conquest to present 3
- General Ed/MnTC 7

**It is recommended that students take SPAN 1111 and SPAN 1112 during their first year of study. While this plan presumes a Spring offering, availability of the two courses may vary.*

Semester Three (15 Credits)

- SPAN 2201 Intermediate Spanish Language and Culture I 4
- General Ed/MnTC 11

Semester Four (15 Credits)

- SPAN 2202 Intermediate Spanish Language and Culture II 4
- General Ed/MnTC 11

Degree Specifics

- A minimum of 60 semester credits in courses numbered 1000 or above.
- A minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 in courses numbered 1000 or above at ARCC.
- Some students may need preparatory courses in the areas of English, mathematics or reading. Courses numbered below 1000 will not apply toward this degree.
- Satisfy residency requirements.
- A minimum grade of C must be earned in all program requirements.
- Completion of specific degree requirements.
- Each state university has specific program requirements for completion. Please speak with your advisor about requirements at receiving institutions.
- To receive your diploma, you must apply to graduate.
- The requirements of this program are subject to change without notice.

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