

Hispanic and Classical Studies

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Degrees Offered: B.A. and M.A. in Spanish, B.A. only in classics

Studies are available in classics, Greek, Latin, Portuguese, and Spanish. For information on the B.A. degree in classics, see Classics (pages 126–127). Undergraduate majors in Hispanic studies select one of four options: literature, linguistics, translation, or Latin American studies. Qualified students may undertake independent work. To provide students with the opportunity to live and study in a Spanish-speaking environment, the department offers an opportunity to spend the fall semester in Chile.

Degree Requirements for B.A. in Hispanic Studies

Students majoring in Hispanic studies must complete at least 30 semester hours in upper-level courses (300 or 400 level); a double major must complete at least 24 semester hours in such courses. Requirements for the major differ according to the options selected. Majors should read the “Options for Spanish Majors” (available in department office) and consult with the undergraduate adviser regarding specific course prerequisites, requirements, and to recommend sequence. The department must approved all major programs of study. At least half of the courses for the major must be taken at Rice University.

Fall Semester in Chile. The department offers a fall semester in Chile in conjunction with the University of Chile in Santiago. Rice students in good standing are eligible for this program, which gives them access to a variety of courses at the University of Chile. Since its inception in 1989, the program has attracted students from universities

all over the U.S. Brochures and application materials are available in the department office. Internships are available. The resident director of the Chile program is Professor Emerita Joan Rea.

Degree Requirements for M.A. in Hispanic Studies

For general university requirements, see Graduate Degrees (pages 60–65). For the M.A. degree, candidates must:

- Complete with high standing an approved program that normally includes 24 semester hours in advanced courses, plus 6 hours of thesis work
- Pass a reading examination in one foreign language (other than Spanish) that has been approved by the department
- Perform satisfactorily on a written comprehensive examination in Spanish, which tests students' competence in Hispanic literature and linguistics
- Take 1 semester of college Latin (or equivalent)
- Take SPAN 610 *Topics in Language Methodology*
- Complete an acceptable thesis
- Perform satisfactorily on a final oral examination on the thesis

See PORT (page 503) and SPAN (pages 529–537) in the Courses of Instruction section.