

CURRICULUM PROPOSAL APPROVAL PAGE

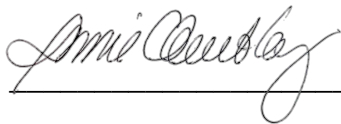
Proposal Title: Changes to Spanish Major

College: Liberal Arts

Department: Chicano Studies, Languages, and Linguistics

DEPARTMENT CHAIR – Dr. Annie Tremblay

I have read the enclosed proposal and approve this proposal on behalf of the department.



9/18/2026

Signature

Date

COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHAIR – Dr. Selfa Chew-Melendez

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college curriculum committee.

Signature

Date

COLLEGE DEAN – Dr. Anadeli Bencomo

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college. I certify that the necessary funds will be allocated by the college in support of this proposal.

Signature

Date

CURRICULUM CHANGE MEMO

Date: September 17, 2026

From: Dr. Elena Foulis, Chicano Studies, Languages, and Linguistics *ELENA FOULIS*

Through: Dr. Annie Tremblay, Chair, Chicano Studies, Languages, and Linguistics *Annie Tremblay*

Through: Dr. Anadeli Bencomo, Dean, College of Liberal Arts

To: Dr. Selfa Chew-Melendez, Chair, Liberal Arts Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

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Select the proposal content (select as many as apply) and provide the rationale.

Content

☐ New program or ☒ Program Change

☒ Bachelor's

☐ Master's

☐ Doctoral/Professional

☐ Certificate

☐ Fast Track

☐ Minor

☐ Concentration/Track

☐ New Course

☒ Closure (program, certificate, minor, concentration)

☐ Change

☐ CIP Code

☐ Program/certificate SCH

☐ Course Title

☐ Course Description

☐ Graduate Program Admission Requirements

Rationale

We propose consolidating the Applied Linguistics and Literature and Culture concentrations within the Spanish major into a single Applied Spanish concentration. Enrollment in the Literature and Culture concentration is insufficient to sustain it as a separate pathway. Consolidation will allow us to use instructional resources more effectively and offer a coherent curriculum that integrates the strengths of both existing concentrations while supporting new directions in Spanish for Professional Purposes and Digital Humanities.

The Applied Spanish concentration will connect the study of language, literature, and culture with practical applications in professional and community settings. Courses in Spanish for Professional Purposes will develop students' ability to communicate in contexts relevant to their career goals, while Digital Humanities coursework will connect cultural and literary inquiry with digital methods for research,

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preservation, and public engagement. This structure will preserve opportunities for substantive study in linguistics, literature, and culture while bringing these areas into closer relationship with students' professional preparation. The consolidation will support a more sustainable degree program and broaden the ways students can apply their knowledge of Spanish and Spanish-speaking communities.

Degree Plan: BA in Spanish, Concentration in Applied Spanish

Required Credits: 120

Code	Title	Hours
Minor Required		
This program requires selection of a minor		
University Core Curriculum		
Complete the University Core Curriculum requirements.		42
Required Courses:		
CHIC 2311	Intro to Chicano Studies	3
LING 2320	Introduction to Human Language	3
SPAN 3300	Crt Analysis of Hisp Lit & Cul	3
SPAN 3357	Advanced Spanish Composition	3
Select one from the following:		3
SPAN 3304	Span Amer Lit Since Modernism	
SPAN 3309	Structure of Spanish	
SPAN 3311	Spanish Phonetics & Phonology	
SPAN 3312	Pedagogical Issues in Spanish	
SPAN 3316	Spanish in the U.S.	
SPAN 3325	Confluence Mex & Chicano Lit	
SPAN 3330	Latin American Civilization	
SPAN 3345	Spanish/Latin American Film	
Select two SPAN courses at or above the 2000 level: ¹		6
Concentration in Applied Spanish		
Select two from the following:		6
SPAN 3309	Structure of Spanish	
SPAN 3311	Spanish Phonetics & Phonology	
SPAN 3312	Pedagogical Issues in Spanish	
SPAN 3316	Spanish in the U.S.	
SPAN 3349	Spanish Grammar in Real-World Contexts	
SPAN 33XX	Public Speaking in Spanish	
SPAN 43XX	Archival Literature and Digital Memory	
SPAN 43XX	Spanish in the Community Internship	
Select three from the following:		9
LING 3308	Second Language Teaching	
LING 3357	Sociolinguistics & Bilingualism	
LING 4306	Child Language Acquisition	

Code	Title	Hours
LING 4348	Second Language Acquisition	
SPAN 3304	Span Amer Lit Since Modernism	
SPAN 3309	Structure of Spanish	
SPAN 3311	Spanish Phonetics & Phonology	
SPAN 3312	Pedagogical Issues in Spanish	
SPAN 3316	Spanish in the U.S.	
SPAN 3320	Culture & Civilization – Spain	
SPAN 3325	Confluence Mex & Chicano Lit	
SPAN 3326	Hispanic Graphic Novel	
SPAN 3330	Latin American Civilization	
SPAN 3345	Spanish/Latin American Film	
SPAN 3348	Travel in Span.-Spkng Contxts	
SPAN 3349	Spanish Grammar in Real-World Contexts	
SPAN 33XX	Public Speaking in Spanish	
SPAN 4320	Popular Cult in Latin Am/Spain	
SPAN 4324	Literature of Mexico	
SPAN 4339	The Short Story	
SPAN 4341	Modern Drama	
SPAN 4350	Literacy and Language in Latine/x Community	
SPAN 43XX	Archival Literature and Digital Memory	
SPAN 4358	20 th Century Spanish Literat	
SPAN 4360	20 th 21 st Cen Latin Amer Novel	
SPAN 4363	Latin American Poetry	
SPAN 4390	Topics in Spanish	
SPAN 43XX	Spanish in the Community Internship	
SPAN 4397	Senior Seminar in Spanish Studies	
Optional Minor - All-Levels Education Minor ²		
Required Courses:		
BED 4317	Tch & Empwr ELLs in Sec Schls	3
EDPC 3300	Intro to Youth Dev & Spec Ed	3
LING 3308	Second Language Teaching	3
RED 3342	Content Area Literacy	3
SCED 3311	Curriculum Plan-Secondary Schl	3
SCED 4691	Student Teaching in Sec School	6
Open Electives		
Select additional hours to complete a total of one hundred twenty hours		
Foreign Language		
Select six credits of Foreign Language. All six credits must be in the same language sequence.		6
Block Electives		

Code	Title	Hours
<u>Complete twelve upper-division hours from the blocks below, with three to six hours in each</u>		
Total Hours		120
Course List		

MINOR/CONCENTRATION CLOSURE

Institution: The University of Texas at El Paso

College: Liberal Arts

Department: Chicano Studies, Languages, and Linguistics

Minor/Concentration Title: Literature and Culture concentration (in the Spanish major)

Proposed Effective Date of Change: 9/1/2027

Last Date Students were/will be admitted to the minor/concentration: 1/1/2027

Date students currently in the minor/concentration are expected to complete the minor/concentration: There are currently no students enrolled in this concentration.

Reason for Closure: Low enrollment

Will any courses be deactivated as a result of this closure?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If yes please list

*Departments must ensure that all courses necessary to complete the minor or concentration are offered on a timely basis, or viable substitutions are identified.