



Sometimes when opportunity calls, it speaks another language. In today's world, knowing another language is fundamental in order to communicate well, and teaching that language gives you the chance to change lives of young people for the future. The goal at the heart of our program is to appreciate other languages, literatures, and cultures. In fact, our university's namesake was a Spaniard who spoke several languages. Following the Jesuit tradition established by St. Ignatius Loyola—"Iggy" as our students affectionately call him—we know that learning other languages is an indispensable part of individual development. Here at Loyola, we'll teach you to use language to connect with others, and our teacher's certificate program will give you the tools to inspire others to do the same.

This is the place.

Spanish language and culture abound in New Orleans, which was part of Spain in the late 18th century. Take a walk through the French Quarter, and you'll see plaques highlighting the streets' Spanish names. The bright, tropical colors of our buildings mimic Spanish style, and flat roofs, stucco, and intimate courtyards all reflect this Spanish influence. Even jambalaya resembles Spanish paella—in New Orleans, our Spanish heritage is hard to miss.

Here at Loyola, we'll give you hands-on experiences and opportunities to use what you learn in the real world. Participate in Sigma Delta Pi, our Spanish Honor Society, or practice Spanish with native speakers on campus. You can study abroad in Spain or universities in Central and South America. Take an internship; tutor students in our Ross Language Lab or through our service learning program—at Loyola, we're all about learning by doing.

Courses

Our program's curriculum combines Spanish language courses with a selection of Spanish electives in culture, literature, and film and concludes with a Spanish capstone. And the teacher's certification included in the program will prepare you to teach grades 6-12.

Second-Year Spanish 1

This course focuses on grammar and vocabulary development, continuing the advancement of the four basic skills: listening comprehension, conversation, reading, and composition, along with culture.

Syntax and Composition

This course is an intensive study of grammar, sentence structure, and translation difficulties, with extensive written practice in Spanish. Various texts, including film, are used for discussion and stylistic models.

Introduction to Hispanic Literature

This course offers readings and discussion of literature in Spanish, including narrative, poetry, drama, and the essay. Students learn the necessary tools and skills to conduct literary analysis in Spanish.

Culture and Civilization of Spain

This course is a historical approach to Spanish civilization. Students study elements of Spanish culture including the languages, music, arts, architecture, and current socio-political issues.