

Graduate Certificate in Teaching Second Language Education (K-12) Spanish

Required courses

- MDSK 6162: Planning for K-12 Teaching (3)
READ 5255: Integrating Reading and Writing in the Content Areas (3)
EDUC 5100: Diverse Learners (3)
MDSK 5200: Secondary Methods – Foreign Languages (3)
MDSK 5201: Foreign Languages in the Elementary School Methods (3)

Final course:

- MDSK 6470: Graduate Student Teaching and Internship (3)

This final course is a full time internship requiring employment as a second language teacher in your language specialty in an approved school or a non-paid placement with a licensed teacher in a public school. It requires application and approval during the semester prior to the internship.

Additional requirements for licensure

Other specific background courses in Spanish, if applicable – See below

Technology portfolio

Applying for the teaching license

Application for NC Standard Professional I license to be filed in TEAL Office, with all appropriate forms regarding completion of coursework, technology portfolio, and internship

Looking ahead

You may wish to apply to the Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) in Second Language Education at the completion of the Graduate Certificate program: <http://www.uncc.edu/gradmiss/index.asp> . All your coursework for the Graduate Certificate will be applied toward the requirements for that degree. Completion of the master's degree leads to the advanced "M" teaching license and a 10% pay raise.

Foreign Language (K-12) Background Competencies: SPANISH

Candidates must have at least a bachelor's degree with a major or equivalent (minimum of 24 hours) in Spanish and coursework aligned with the competency areas below. Candidates with degrees in other fields must satisfy requirements for the major or equivalent and satisfy all competency areas. The GPA for background requirements must be at least a 2.5, and no courses may be presented for licensure with grades lower than a C.

Option 1: Degree in Spanish – no additional background courses needed.

Option 2: Native speaker of Spanish – Passing scores on Praxis II exams will waive all background courses.

Option 3: For candidates creating the equivalent of a major in Spanish by taking 24 hours of Spanish, the following requirements must be met:

Competency Area	Types of courses required and UNC Charlotte examples	Candidate's courses or evidence of proficiency	Grades	Plan for satisfying deficiencies
Language Model: Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing	<i>The 3rd year sequence of SPAN courses (6):</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SPAN 3201: Adv. Grammar and Composition (3) AND one of the following courses (3) • SPAN 3202: Advanced Conversation and Composition • SPAN 3203: Advanced Writing and Rhetoric for Native Speakers 			
Linguistic Components: Grammar, units of sound, vocabulary, syntax, pragmatics, and discourse	<i>At least one advanced course in Spanish grammar, linguistics, or language structure (3), e.g.,</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SPAN 4231: Spanish Phonetics • SPAN 4232: Spanish Linguistics • SPAN 4233: History of the Spanish Language 			
Culture, practices, and perspectives Comparison of Spanish language and cultures compared to English language and cultures	<i>Advanced coursework in Spanish history, literature, and culture (9)</i> <i>Literature at the 3000 or 4000 level (6):</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SPAN 3208: Introduction to Literary Analysis (3) AND ▪ One elective SPAN literature course at the 3000 or 4000 level. <i>Civilization, History, and Culture (3). At least one course at the 3000 or 4000 level, such as the following</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SPAN 3209: Spanish Civilization and Culture • SPAN 3210: Spanish American Civilization and Culture • SPAN 3211: Intro. to Spanish Peninsular Literature • SPAN 3212: Intro. to Spanish American Literature • SPAN 4202: Twentieth-Century Spanish Literature • SPAN 4205: Novel of the Golden Age • SPAN 4214: Studies in Hispanic Children's Literature 			

Notes: Courses required to satisfy deficiencies may have prerequisites. There must be at least two courses taken at the 4000 level to satisfy the equivalency requirement. If additional courses are needed to complete the expected 24 hours, they may be any SPAN courses. All courses must be taught in Spanish.