



WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

Harper College

Fall 2016

Western Michigan University Secondary Education - Spanish Curriculum Guide

General information:

- A Secondary Provisional Certificate is valid for teaching Spanish in grades K – 12 with the major;
- Students must choose at least one teachable major and one teachable minor. For a list of **teachable majors and minors** see the content areas in secondary education on the WMU Secondary Education website;
- Students are encouraged to meet with a WMU education advisor as early as possible prior to transferring, for assistance with their choice of majors and minors;
- Course sequencing at WMU, in Secondary Education, requires at least 2 years to complete and a minimum of 60 credits of the overall degree must be completed at WMU;
- Students who choose **Spanish** as their teaching major will follow Spanish department requirements for their major. General Education and teacher preparation requirements are determined by the College of Education and Human Development (**CEHD**);
- All applicants intending to pursue a teaching program at WMU will be admitted into “pre-education” at the time of admission to WMU. After completion of the pre-professional requirements, pre-education students must apply to the upper level as indicated below;
- For students who started at Harper before Fall 2014, and will transfer directly to WMU, **your requirements may be different**. Please check with the CEHD advising office (contact information is listed below);
- At the end of their professional education program, students must complete a minimum of one semester of Internship (Student Teaching);
- Students must pass the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) test prior to the student teaching internship. Check with your WMU Spanish advisors about the OPI.

Pre-Professional Requirements for Secondary Education CAS Majors:

After satisfying the following requirements students should submit the Professional Education Admission application for admission to upper professional level education courses:

- Completion of at least 60 credit hours;
- Completion of all WMU Intellectual Skills Development classes IF REQUIRED (e.g. MATH 1090, LS 1040, ENG 1000);
- Completion of an approved college level writing class;
- Completion of ES 2000 or an approved course with a grade of CB (2.5) or better;
- Achievement of a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 or better; **
- Achievement of passing scores on the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC)- Professional Readiness Exam (PRE) (#96), or passing by an alternate method. Please contact the CEHD advising office if

you have questions. Students from states other than Michigan will have to take the test after they transfer to WMU;

- Completion of a background check through Castle Branch at portal.castlebranch.com/wc48 with Submission of Judgment of Sentence or Register of Action for any convictions, if necessary;
- Submission of a formal application to the Office of Admissions and Advising, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5275;
- Please visit the WMU College of Education website for additional information.

** Any student with a cumulative GPA between 2.75 and 2.99 who has met all of the other requirements may apply for provisional admission to the professional education program. Provisional admission decisions will be made by secondary education faculty and admission is not guaranteed.

Courses that can be taken at Harper:

WMU courses

SPAN 1000
SPAN 1010
SPAN 2000
SPAN 2010
SPAN 3170
SPAN 3250

Harper courses

SPA 101
SPA 102
SPA 201
SPA 201
SPA 205
SPA 210

These Spanish courses are the prerequisites that are required to enter the 3000 level courses at WMU, but they will not count toward the teaching major. The major begins at the 3000 level.

Students who have had some contact with Spanish, through high school coursework or through other experiences, must take the Spanish online placement test. Please go to the Spanish department website and follow the directions.

Spanish as a minor for secondary education students will no longer be an option beginning Fall 2014. Transfer students who began college prior to Fall 2014 may still qualify. Please check with the Spanish department advisor.

General education requirements:

- Please refer to the [WMU general education transfer guide](#) and talk with your WMU College of Education and Human Development (CEHD) advisor.

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