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Program Offered:

- Master of Arts in Spanish
- Dual B.A./M.A. Program in Spanish

Department of World Languages and Cultures
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The Department of World Languages and Cultures offers the Master of Arts (M.A.) degree in Spanish. The Master of Arts degree emphasizes advanced study in the language and cultures of the Spanish-speaking world, and literature of the student's specialty, including courses of particular interest to foreign language teachers.

Applicants may obtain additional information about the Department of World Languages and Cultures by contacting the Director of Graduate Studies at the address above.

Additional Admission Requirements

In addition to the general requirements of the College of Arts & Sciences, the Department of World Languages and Cultures has the following requirements:

1. An undergraduate major or its equivalent in the language to be studied.
2. A complete dossier which must include: (a) a letter of intent expressing the objectives of the student in entering the program; (b) two letters of recommendation from people familiar with the candidate's academic work (dossiers will not be considered without both letters); and (c) a writing sample of an analytical nature in the target language. (At the discretion of the Graduate Committee, an entrance exam may be required.)

Program Financial Information

Lab fees are assessed automatically for students who register for certain courses. As a result, students will no longer be required to purchase lab fee cards. For more information, please feel free to contact the department or review the GoSolar or catalog course listings to determine if a course includes a lab fee.

Degree Requirements

Master of Arts (30 hours):

1. Basic Requirements:
   a. Students may choose to emphasize a particular field of study — literature, culture, or linguistics/pedagogy — by (A) selecting a faculty advisor in that field, (B) taking a minimum of 2 courses in that field, and (C) writing a thesis or a non-thesis paper in that field (See 2a. & 2b. below)
   b. A final Master's portfolio (See the WLC graduate student portfolio guidelines here: http://wlc.gsu.edu/m-portfolio-information/) written exit examination
c. An oral exit examination

d. Proficiency in another foreign language other than Spanish the student's major

2. Thesis/Non-Thesis Option

a. Thesis Option:
   i. Twenty-four (24) hours of graduate coursework
   ii. A written thesis proposal
   iii. Six hours of thesis research
   iv. A thesis

b. Non-Thesis Option:
   i. Thirty (30) hours of graduate coursework
   ii. A revised research paper. (See the WLC MCL graduate handbook)

A student must have a grade-point average of 3.0 or higher in all courses counting towards the Master of Arts degree. Only courses passed with a grade of B or higher will count toward the degree.

**Dual B.A./M.A. Program in Spanish**

The department offers a dual Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts in Spanish. The dual degree opportunity enables qualified students to enroll in graduate courses late in their undergraduate program and apply the coursework toward both the bachelor’s and master’s programs.

Students must be formally accepted into the dual degree program by the department and College of Arts and Sciences to be able to take graduate courses as an undergraduate. Additionally, acceptance into the dual program does not constitute admission to the master’s program. Students must fulfill regular graduate admissions requirements and apply for the master’s program following college processes.

Information about the dual program, including application instructions and program requirements, can be found at [cas.gsu.edu/dual-degrees/](cas.gsu.edu/dual-degrees/).