

**Bachelor of Arts (BA)**  
**Spanish**  
*Teacher Certification*

The 2026-2027 list of core courses can be found in the 2026-2027 Undergraduate Catalog: [www.utrgv.edu/catalog](http://www.utrgv.edu/catalog) > See 'Bachelors Degree Program Regulations'

| Symbols Key  |          |              |                             |               |   |               |             |   |  |  |
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| Campus: B - Offered in Brownsville; E - Offered in Edinburg; O - Offered Online; T - Travel Required   |          |              |                             |               |   |               |             |   |  |  |
| Bolded Course Number*: Program Admission Requirement   |          |              |                             |               |   |               |             |   |  |  |
| Min Grade: A - Excellent; B - Good; C - Satisfactory; D - Below Average; CR - Credit; P - Passing; S - Satisfactory.   |          |              |                             |               |   |               |             |   |  |  |
| Core: 010 - Communication; 020 - Mathematics; 030 - Life and Physical Sciences; 040 - Language, Philosophy & Culture; 050 - Creative Arts; 060 - American History; 070 - Government/Political Science; 080 - Social and Behavioral Sciences; |          |              |                             |               |   |               |             |   |  |  |
| Core: 090 - Applied Communication and Literacies; Humanities; Leadership; Science Labs; Interdisciplinary; Technologies; Language Diversity & Writing  |          |              |                             |               |   |               |             |   |  |  |
| Students require to earn a grade of C or better in all BA applicable courses to earn program credit towards the major in Spanish. AP Spanish or CLEP credit may not be applied to the major.   |          |              |                             |               |   |               |             |   |  |  |
| Year   | Semester | Credit Hours | Campus                      | Course Number | Course Title  | Minimum Grade | Core        | Prerequisite  | Additional Notes   |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Communication   | C             | 010         | For all 010 courses: Satisfactory scores on English portion of ACT test and TSI examination or ENGL 0301. For ENGL 1302, a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 1301. | See General Education Core for more details<br>Option: ENGL 1301   |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 3            | B                           | SPAN 2313     | Spanish for Heritage Language Learners II   | C             |             |   |  |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Mathematics   | C             | 020         | College Ready TSI status in Mathematics or MATH 0314/0332/0342.   | See General education Core for course options.   |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 4            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Life and Physical Sciences  |               | 030/<br>090 | May apply pending course selection  | See General Education Core for course options. 1 credit hour of lab may apply to category 090.                               |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Social and Behavioral Sciences  |               | 080         |   | See General Education Core for course options.   |  |
| 1  | Fall     |              | B/E/O                       | UNIV          | 1301 Foundations of Academic and Career Success<br>1101 Academic and Career Success<br>1001/1300 Living and Working by Design |               |             |   | As required, based on a number of factors such as credit hours earned, TSI status, high school rank, major declaration, etc. |  |
| 1  | Fall     | <b>16</b>    | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |               |   |               |             |   |  |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Communication   | C             | 010         | For all 010 courses: Satisfactory scores on English portion of ACT test and TSI examination or ENGL 0301. For ENGL 1302, a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 1301. | See General Education Core for more details<br>Options: ENGL 1302 or ENGL 1305   |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | American History  |               | 060         |   | See General Education Core for more details.<br>Options: HIST 1301 or HIST/MASC 2327   |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 4            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Life and Physical Sciences  |               | 030/<br>090 | May apply pending course selection  | See General Education Core for course options. 1 credit hour of lab may apply to category 090.                               |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 3            | B                           | SPAN 2315     | Spanish for Heritage Language Learners III  | C             |             | Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 2313.  |  |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Integrative/Experiential Learning Option  |               | 090         |   | See General Education Core for course options.   |  |
| 1  | Spring   | <b>16</b>    | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |               |   |               |             |   |  |  |
| Year   | Semester | Credit Hours | Campus                      | Course Number | Course Title  | Minimum Grade | Core        | Prerequisite  | Additional Notes   |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Language, Philosophy & Culture  |               | 040         |   | See General Education Core for course options.   |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 3            | B                           | SPAN 3313     | Advanced Grammar and Composition for Heritage Language Learners I   | C             |             | Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 2315.  |  |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 3            | B/E                         | EDFR 2301     | Intercultural Context of Schooling  |               |             |   |  |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | American History  |               | 060         |   | See General Education Core for more details.<br>Options: HIST 1302 or HIST/MASC 2328   |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 1            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Integrative/Experiential Learning Option  |               | 090         |   | See General Education Core for course options.   |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | POLS 2305     | U.S. Federal Govt & Politics  |               | 070         |   |  |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Creative Arts   |               | 050         |   | See General Education Core for course options.   |  |
| 2  | Spring   | <b>19</b>    | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |               |   |               |             |   |  |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 3            | B                           | SPAN 3315     | Advanced Grammar and Composition for Heritage Language Learners II  | C             |             | Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.   |  |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 3            | B                           | SPAN 3351     | Spanish Phonology and Phonetics   | C             |             | Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.   | Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.  |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 3            | B                           | SPAN 3350     | Introduction to Hispanic Linguistics  | C             |             | Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.   | Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.  |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 3            | O                           | EDUC 3301     | The Teaching Profession and Student Learning in Contemporary Schools  |               |             |   | May be taken during summer session.  |  |
| 2  | Spring   | <b>12</b>    | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |               |   |               |             |   |  |  |
| Apply to the College of Education and P-16 Integration Educator Preparation program  |          |              |                             |               |   |               |             |   |  |  |

| Year  | Semester | Credit Hours                   | Campus                               | Course Number | Course Title   | Minimum Grade | Core | Prerequisite   | Additional Notes  |
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| 3   | Fall     | 3                              | B                                    | SPAN 3314     | Techniques of Literary Analysis  | C             |      | Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.  | Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.   |
| 3   | Fall     | 3                              | B                                    | SPAN 3317     | Introduction to Spanish Literature   | C             |      | Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.  | Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.   |
| 3   | Fall     | 3                              | B                                    | SPAN 4310     | Spanish Applied Linguistics  | C             |      | Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.  | Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.   |
| 3   | Fall     | 3                              | B/E                                  | EDUC 3302     | Knowledge of Student Development and Learning  |               |      | Admission to CEP Educator Preparation Program.   | May be taken during summer session.   |
| 3   | Fall     | 3                              | B/E                                  | Choose 1      | Prescribed Electives (Literature and Culture, Linguistics, Creative Writing, Translation and Interpreting and Medical Spanish, Translation and Interpreting, or Medical Spanish) | C             |      | Prerequisites vary.  | Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement. Choose 9 hours (at least 6 advanced) with at least one course in at least three areas. See degree plan for list of options.   |
| 3   | Fall     | <b>15 Semester Total Hours</b> |                                      |               |  |               |      |  |   |
| 3   | Spring   | 3                              | B/E/O                                | POLS 2306     | Texas Government & Politics  |               | 070  |  |   |
| 3   | Spring   | 3                              | B                                    | SPAN 3308     | Introduction to Latina/o Literature  | C             |      | Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.  | Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.   |
| 3   | Spring   | 3                              | B                                    | SPAN 3318     | Introduction to Latin American Literature  | C             |      | Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.  | Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.   |
| 3   | Spring   | 3                              | B/O                                  | SPAN 4370     | The Teaching of Spanish as a Heritage Language   | C             |      | Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.  | Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.   |
| 3   | Spring   | 3                              | B                                    | SPAN 4315     | Acquisition of the Spanish Language  | C             |      | Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.  |   |
| 3   | Spring   | <b>15 Semester Total Hours</b> |                                      |               |  |               |      |  |   |
| Year  | Semester | Credit Hours                   | Campus                               | Course Number | Course Title   | Minimum Grade | Core | Prerequisite   | Additional Notes  |
| 4   | Fall     | 3                              | B/E                                  | Choose 1      | Prescribed Electives (Literature and Culture, Linguistics, Creative Writing, Translation and Interpreting and Medical Spanish, Translation and Interpreting, or Medical Spanish) | C             |      | Prerequisites vary.  | Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement. Choose 9 hours (at least 6 advanced) with at least one course in at least three areas. See degree plan for list of options.   |
| 4   | Fall     | 3                              | O                                    | SPAN 4380     | Senior Seminar   | C             |      | Departmental approval.   | Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.   |
| 4   | Fall     | 3                              | B/E                                  | EDUC 3304     | Instructional Planning and Assessment in Culturally Sustaining Classrooms  |               |      | Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program; EDUC 3302.  |   |
| 4   | Fall     | 3                              | B/E                                  | EDUC 3306     | Evidence-Based Teaching in Positive Learning Environments  |               |      | Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program, EDUC 3302.  |   |
| 4   | Fall     | 3                              | B/E                                  | READ 4305     | Disciplinary Literacy in the Classroom   |               |      |  |   |
| 4   | Fall     | 3                              | B/E                                  | Choose 1      | Prescribed Electives (Literature and Culture, Linguistics, Creative Writing, Translation and Interpreting and Medical Spanish, Translation and Interpreting, or Medical Spanish) | C             |      | Prerequisites vary.  | Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement. Choose 9 hours (at least 6 advanced) with at least one course in at least three areas. See degree plan for list of options.   |
| 4   | Fall     | <b>18 Semester Total Hours</b> |                                      |               |  |               |      |  |   |
| <b>Apply to Clinical Teaching program one semester prior to Student teaching semester (Spring for Fall, Fall for Spring).</b> |          |                                |                                      |               |  |               |      |  |   |
| 4   | Spring   | 6                              | B/E                                  | EDUC 4611     | Student Teaching Secondary or All-Level  |               |      | Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program and Admission to CEP Clinical Teaching.                      | All Education courses must be completed prior to admission to Clinical Teaching. Passing identified TEXES certification exams is required before EDUC 4611. Must be taken last semester. Only offered Fall or Spring. |
| 4   | Spring   | 3                              | O                                    | SPAN 4381     | Professional Development in Teaching   | C             |      | Consent of department and admission to clinical teaching. Students must be concurrently enrolled in EDUC 4611. |   |
| 4   | Spring   | <b>9 Semester Total Hours</b>  |                                      |               |  |               |      |  |   |
|   |          | <b>120</b>                     | <b>TOTAL HOURS</b>                   |               |  |               |      |  |   |
|   |          | <b>(42)</b>                    | <b>Advanced minimum credit hours</b> |               |  |               |      |  |   |