

## 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										
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 Option: ENGL 1301	
1	Fall	3	B/E/O	Choose 1	American History		060		See General Education Core for more details. Options: HIST 1302 or HIST/MASC 2328	
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/ 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 1101 Academic and Career Success 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 Options: ENGL 1302 or ENGL 1305	
1	Spring	3	B/E/O	Choose 1	American History		060		See General Education Core for more details. Options: HIST 1301 or HIST/MASC 2327	
1	Spring	3	E	SPAN 2313	Spanish for Heritage Language Learners II	C				
1	Spring	4	B/E/O	Choose 1	Life and Physical Sciences		030/ 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/E/O	POLS 2306	Texas Government & Politics		070			
1	Spring	3	B/E/O	Choose 1	Integrative/Experiential Learning Option		090		See General Education Core for course options.	
1	Spring	<b>19</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	E	SPAN 2315	Spanish for Heritage Language Learners III	C		Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 2313.		
2	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.	
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	Fall	<b>16</b>		<b>Semester Total Hours</b>						
2	Spring	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.	
22	Spring	3	E	SPAN 3313	Advanced Grammar and Composition for Heritage Language Learners I	C		Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 2315.		
2	Spring	3	B/E	EDFR 2301	Intercultural Context of Schooling					
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
3	Fall	3	E	SPAN 3351	Spanish Phonology and Phonetics	C		Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
3	Fall	3	E	SPAN 3315	Advanced Grammar and Composition for Heritage Language Learners II	C		Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.	
3	Fall	3	E/O	SPAN 4310	Spanish Applied Linguistics	C		Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
3	Fall	3	E	SPAN 3350	Introduction to Hispanic 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	15	<b>Semester Total Hours</b>						
3	Spring	3	E	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	E	SPAN 3314	Techniques of Literary Analysis	C		Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
3	Spring	3	E	SPAN 4315	Acquisition of the Spanish Language	C		Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.	
3	Spring	3	E/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/E	EDUC 3304	Instructional Planning and Assessment in Culturally Sustaining Classrooms			Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program; EDUC 3302.	
3	Spring	3	B/E	EDUC 3306	Evidence-Based Teaching in Positive Learning Environments			Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program, EDUC 3302.	
3	Spring	18	<b>Semester Total Hours</b>						
Year	Semester	Credit Hours	Campus	Course Number	Course Title	Minimum Grade	Core	Prerequisite	Additional Notes
4	Fall	3	E	SPAN 3317	Introduction to Spanish Literature	C		Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
4	Fall	3	E	SPAN 3318	Introduction to Latin American Literature	C		Grade of "C" or better in SPAN 3313 or concurrent enrollment.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
4	Fall	3	E	SPAN 4380	Senior Seminar	C		Departmental approval.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
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	15	<b>Semester Total Hours</b>						
4	<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	9	<b>Semester Total Hours</b>						

120 TOTAL HOURS  
(42) Advanced minimum credit hours

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