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LECTURES, FILMS, EVENTS
Lectures – See Department Website:
http://www.yale.edu/span-port/index.html
Whitney Humanities Center:
http://www.yale.edu/whc/main.html
Council on Latin American and Iberian Studies:
http://www.yale.edu/macmillan/lais/#

SPANISH CONVERSATION TABLES
Basic and Intermediate Spanish
(Date, Time and Location TBA)

High Intermediate and Advanced Conversational Spanish
(Date, Time and Location TBA)

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The Spanish Major

The major in Spanish is a liberal arts major that offers a wide range of courses in the language, literatures, and cultures of the twenty Spanish-speaking countries in Europe and Latin America. Today Spanish is the second language of the United States, one of the three most widely spoken languages in the world, and one of the five diplomatic languages of the United Nations.

The program in Spanish provides students with the opportunity to acquire thorough linguistic proficiency as well as in-depth knowledge of both cultural and literary topics. The Spanish major opens up a world of literature, history, art, philosophy and cultural studies, and is an excellent preparation for careers in diplomacy, law, medicine, business, the arts, academics, journalism, and education. Students interested in majoring in Spanish, or in a double major in Spanish and another field should consult with the DUS about a specialized course of study.

The Department of Spanish and Portuguese at Yale is known not only for its academic rigor but also for its plurality of critical and theoretical approaches to the study of Peninsular and Latin American literatures. It boasts a world-renowned faculty whose research is considered among some of the most important being done in Hispanic literary studies today. As a result, Yale’s Department of Spanish and Portuguese has risen to the rank of #1 in the nation.

Summer Study Abroad

Three Intensive Intermediate Spanish courses (SPAN 130/SPAN 140) and a Culture course (SPAN 248 or 249) will be offered during the summer of 2016. These courses are 8 weeks total in length. The first four weeks will take place on the Yale campus in New Haven, and the last four weeks will be offered abroad – in Bilbao, Spain; in Quito, Ecuador; or in Lima, Peru.

The Intensive Intermediate Spanish offered during the summer is conducted in Spanish and covers the material of Spanish 130 and 140 in one term. Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to perform proficiently at an intermediate level. The Intensive Intermediate Spanish Summer course will also include a Culture course that explores the historical, social, and cultural development of the target country from the past to the present, through the study of literary texts, essays, films, music, and visual arts. Students will further develop their linguistic skills in Spanish as they increase their understanding of the Spanish language and culture through an intensive immersion program set in one of the target locations. Students will have the opportunity to go on excursions, visit museums, attend conferences, interact with popular culture, live with local families, and participate in many cultural activities.

*For information on semester or full year study abroad programs, contact the Yale Center for International and Professional Experience (www.yale.edu/yalecollege/international), or consult with the DUS.

Requirements for the Major (Class of 2019 and later)

Prerequisite: SPAN 140, 142, 145, or equivalent.

Number of courses: Ten term courses beyond the prerequisite (including the senior requirement).

Specific requirements:
- Students may take a maximum of one course from SPAN 200-230.
- Students must take five courses numbered SPAN 300 or higher.
- Students must complete the senior essay (SPAN 491) in their final year.

*Freshman seminars taught in Spanish count toward the major in the SPAN 231-99 range.

*Up to four approved courses taken abroad may count toward the major.