

International Languages Course Descriptions

Note: This program includes course requirements from more than one discipline. For complete course descriptions for this major, refer to each discipline within this *Catalog*.

ARBC 1100 Beginning Arabic I (3 units)

Beginning level language course in Modern Standard Arabic. The course will cover all four language skills (speaking, listening, reading, and writing). The class introduces students to the basic phonology and script of the Arabic alphabet, as well as the aspects of the sociolinguistics of Arab culture. No prerequisites.

ARBC 1200 Beginning Arabic II (3 units)

This is the second level language course in Modern Standard Arabic. This course is designed to build upon skills in reading and writing developed in Arabic 1100. Students will gain increased vocabulary and a greater understanding of more complex grammatical structures. They will be able to approach prose, fiction, and non-fiction written in the language. Students will also increase their proficiency in Arabic script and sound system, widen their working vocabulary, learn key grammatical points, and practice conversation and dictation. Students deliver oral presentations and write academic papers in Arabic. A variety of Arabic texts covering many subjects of interest such as, literature, classical writing, poetry, media reports, and news will be introduced. Prerequisite: ARBC 1100 or equivalent.

ARBC 2100 Intermediate Arabic I (3 units)

This is a third semester course that continues to build the students' intermediate knowledge of Modern Standard Arabic. The course will provide opportunities for students to solidify and augment the grammar learned in Elementary Arabic as it introduces new vocabulary. It will focus on the development of the ability to use Modern Standard Arabic orally and in reading and writing. Topics include describing activities, professions, places, events, and states of affairs. Exercises include writing, relating information from written sources, and expressing thoughts and oneself. The course will also include an oral component, in which students will practice their Arabic oral communication skills. This will be assessed through specific presentations and projects, which will allow the students to further develop and build on the oral aspect of the Arabic language. Students who complete this course should be able to initiate discussion on topics of daily life and understand and produce more complicated life scenarios. Prerequisite: ARBC 1200 or equivalent.

CHNS 1100 Beginning Chinese I (3 units)

This beginning Chinese course emphasizes pronunciation drill, sentence pattern analysis and development of language skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Character reading and writing are introduced. Cultural material and information are used extensively in this course. No prerequisites.

CHNS 1200 Beginning Chinese II (3 units)

This second semester course is a continuation of CHNS 1100 for both verbal and written purposes. Use of original Chinese characters is introduced at the sentence and the paragraph level. Students will be familiarized with both simplified and original writing systems. Cultural topics may include education, family, and daily life. Writing skills will be emphasized. The proficiency level should develop to a basic survival level. Prerequisite: CHNS 1100 or equivalent.

CHNS 2100 Intermediate Chinese I (3 units)

This is a third term intermediate course, the continuation of CHIN 1200, with a review of grammar. The student will develop fluency in understanding, speaking, reading and writing Chinese. The uses of the six basic functional components of the Chinese sentence are expanded and new vocabulary and idiomatic expressions are introduced. Selected readings about Chinese culture and literature will be explored. This course is taught entirely in original Chinese characters, and students may use either Chinese written system to develop their knowledge and ability. Prerequisite: CHNS 1200 or equivalent.

FREN 1100 Beginning French I (3 units)

This is a basic course in understanding, speaking, reading, and writing French. There is extensive utilization of cultural material and information. This course will teach use of modern colloquial French in conversation with elementary grammar. No prerequisites.

FREN 1200 Beginning French II (3 units)

This is a second-term basic course at a more advanced level in understanding, speaking, reading, and writing French. Cultural material and information depicting daily French life will also be covered. Prerequisite: FREN 1100 or equivalent.

FREN 2100 Intermediate French I (3 units)

This course develops a functional fluency in understanding, speaking, reading and writing French, as well as providing an introduction to the study of French literature. This is a further study and interpretation of world culture. Prerequisite: FREN 1200 or equivalent.

HBRW 1002 Intro to Biblical Hebrew (1 unit)

A study of Biblical Hebrew.

ITAL 1100 Beginning Italian I (3 units)

This is a basic course in understanding, speaking, reading, and writing Italian. There is extensive utilization of cultural material and information. This course will teach use of modern colloquial Italian in conversation with elementary grammar. No prerequisites.

ITAL 1200 Beginning Italian II (3 units)

This is a second-term basic course at a more advanced level in understanding, speaking, reading, and writing Italian. Cultural material and information depicting daily Italian life will also be covered. Prerequisite: ITAL 1100 or equivalent.

ITAL 1500 Travel Italian (3 units)

This course will help students find their way around Italy, il Bel Paese, focusing on real travel situations and everyday language expressions. Students will learn basic grammar, essential words and phrases to facilitate a clear communication while traveling, meeting people, sightseeing, shopping, and asking for directions. In addition, students will get helpful information on the culture and history of Italy, each week highlighting different cities, regions, and other interesting places. The practice of grammar and vocabulary will be reinforced with exercises of repetition, substitution, reading and comprehension, questions and answers, dialogues, dictations, songs, poems, videos, individual and group activities. This course is recommended for beginner Italian speakers.

ITAL 2100 Intermediate Italian I (3 units)

This course develops a functional fluency in understanding, speaking, reading and writing Italian, as well as providing an introduction to the study of Italian literature. This is a further study and interpretation of world culture. Prerequisite: ITAL 1200 or equivalent.

LATN 1001 Beginning Latin (1 unit)

This is the first semester of Latin taught as an introductory course intended for students with little or no knowledge of the language. Its aim is to present essential vocabulary and grammar, and to develop the skills necessary for reading of easy prose.

SPAN 1100 Beginning Spanish I (3 units)

Spanish Conversation is designed to teach beginners the use of modern colloquial Spanish in conversation with elementary grammar. Oral practice in speaking and listening to Spanish through selected textbooks and audio/visual packages related to class work. Students acquire skills of the spoken language with a minimum of formal grammar. Three lecture and three laboratory hours weekly. No prerequisite.

SPAN 1101 Elementary Spanish I (4 units)

Speaking, listening to, reading, and writing Spanish, with an introduction to Hispanic culture. Language laboratory time is an integral component to this course.

SPAN 1111 Spanish for Health Care Professionals I (3 units)

This introductory course, appropriate for all health-related disciplines, provides students with knowledge of basic structures of the Spanish language, and specialized medical vocabulary needed to communicate effectively with Spanish speaking patients in a variety of health care situations. Course includes cultural studies emphasizing health beliefs of Spanish speaking peoples.

SPAN 1112 Spanish for Health Care Professionals II (3 units)

Further study of language and culture for those in health-related disciplines, who work with Spanish speaking peoples. Prerequisite: SPAN 1111.

SPAN 1200 Beginning Spanish II (3 units)

This course provides instruction in basic Spanish conversation by using modern colloquial Spanish and the study of elementary grammar on beginning/ intermediate level. It is designed for students who wish to acquire skills of the spoken language with a minimum of formal grammar. Oral practice in speaking, understanding, and correct pronunciation of Spanish, using audiovisual materials depicting everyday situations. Prerequisite: SPAN 1100.

SPAN 1201 Elementary Spanish II (4 units)

Continuation of SPAN 1101: practice in speaking, listening to, reading, and writing Spanish. Further study of Hispanic culture. Language laboratory time is an integral component of this course. Prerequisite: SPAN 1101 or equivalent, or permission of languages coordinator.

SPAN 2101 Intermediate Spanish I (4 units)

Continuation of SPAN 1201: further practice in speaking, listening to, reading, and writing Spanish. Grammar review, oral practice, composition, and introduction to literature. Use of audiovisual materials for improved fluency and accuracy in pronunciation as well as the presentation of cultural and literary topics. Four lecture and three laboratory hours weekly. Prerequisite: SPAN 1201 or equivalent, or permission of languages coordinator.

SPAN 2201 Intermediate Spanish II (4 units)

Continuation of SPAN 2101: additional practice in speaking, understanding, reading, and writing Spanish. Completion of the review of Spanish grammar in depth. Reading of significant literary works, history, and culture of the Spanish-speaking world. Four lecture and three laboratory hours weekly. Prerequisite: SPAN 2101 or equivalent, or permission of languages coordinator.

SPAN 2999 Independent Study (1-3 units)

The privilege of independent study is possible for students who are prepared to undertake it based on student need or interest with approval of the Chair of the department, the instructor concerned, and the Dean of the School. The study must be in an area not covered by a regularly scheduled course. Course may be taken for 1-3 units. The maximum number of units that can be earned in one semester by independent study is 3; a total of up to six units of independent study may be applied to the degree.

SPAN 3002 Modern Latin American Literature/Spanish Language (3 units)

An advanced Spanish language course emphasizing more complex reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills. The rich Hispanic heritage is explored through a wide range of materials including short stories, articles, poems and films. Prerequisite: SPAN 2201, 3101 or equivalent.

SPAN 3101 Advanced Spanish I (3 units)

An advanced composition course, with emphasis on correct and idiomatic expression; systematic building of vocabulary; readings from current newspapers, periodicals and other sources; and conversation on a wide variety of topics. Prerequisite: SPAN 2201 or equivalent.

SPAN 3201 Advanced Composition & Conversation (3 units)

An advanced course designed to increase practice in writing with emphasis on sentence and paragraph structure. Attention will be given to narration, description, exposition, and dialogue as well as to other forms of written communication. The class will be conducted entirely in Spanish. Prerequisite: SPAN 2201 or equivalent.

SPAN 3202 Advanced Reading (3 units)

An advanced course emphasizing reading and analysis of literary works from contemporary Spanish and Latin-American writers, read in the original language. The class will be conducted entirely in Spanish. Prerequisite: SPAN 2201 or equivalent.

SPAN 3203 Survey of Spain and Latin America (3 units)

An advanced course designed to study the cultural heritage that has shaped nations of Latin America from 1850 to the present. Readings and discussion of 20th-century literary trends, including film, music, and art from Spain and Latin America. Topics vary but may include the Generation of 1898 in Spain, modernism, magical realism, or Latin-American women writers. The class will be conducted entirely in Spanish. Prerequisite: SPAN 2203 or equivalent.

SPAN 3204 Spanish Immersion (1-3 units)

****Study Travel Course**** Course will provide an opportunity for students to travel to a Spanish-speaking country, such as Spain or Mexico, for the purpose of a language and cultural immersion. Students will meet together as a class to cover such topics as cultural differences, learning brief histories about the area being visited, as well as other relevant information prior to departure on the trip. Students may take this course for 1-3 units.

SPAN 4999 Independent Study (1-3 units)

The privilege of independent study is possible for students who are prepared to undertake it based on student need or interest with approval of the Chair of the department, the instructor concerned, and the Dean of the School. The study must be in an area not covered by a regularly scheduled course. Course may be taken for 1-3 units. The maximum number of units that can be earned in one semester by independent study is 3; a total of up to six units of independent study may be applied to the degree.