

# Spanish Graduate Program

Our faculty members represent universities across the USA, Spain, & Latin America and deliver a diversified curriculum while maintaining one-on-one contact with graduate students.

## Spanish Program Faculty

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## Sample Graduate Courses

**Cervantes**  
**Southern Cone Culture & Literature**  
**Hispanic Film**  
**Latin American Women Writers**  
**Latino Writers**  
**Spanish American Short Story**  
**Cuban Culture**  
**Boom in Spanish American Literature**  
**Generation of '98**  
**The Fantastic in Span Am Literature**  
**Medieval Literature**  
**Golden Age Drama, Golden Age Novel**  
**Spanish Linguistics**  
**Colonial Literature**  
**Theatre & Culture**  
**Literary Criticism & Theory**  
**Caribbean Literature**  
**History of the Spanish Language**

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**MASTER OF ARTS  
IN SPANISH**

# Master of Arts in Spanish

“El que lee  
mucho y anda  
mucho, ve  
mucho y sabe  
mucho”  
–Miguel de  
Cervantes



## REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION

- 3.0 GPA Undergraduate
- 2-3 Letters of recommendation
- Two-page statement of purpose in Spanish
- Oral interview in Spanish (by phone or in person)
- TOEFL Score for foreign undergraduate degrees

“No estudio por  
saber más, sino  
por ignorar  
menos”  
–Sor Juana Inés  
de la Cruz

**PROGRAM** The Master of Arts in Spanish offers students academic and practical training in the languages, literatures, and cultures of the Spanish-speaking communities of Spain, Latin America, and the United States. Our faculty members bring a **STRONG INTERDISCIPLINARY FOCUS** to both scholarship and teaching, and our courses cover a wide variety of topics in **ALL AREAS AND HISTORICAL PERIODS**. These include, among others, Hispanic linguistics, colonial Spanish American literature, medieval and renaissance Spain, contemporary Spanish film and culture, transatlantic studies, or 19<sup>th</sup>- & 20<sup>th</sup>-century Latin American literature

**TEACHING** A vital part of our program involves **PRACTICAL CLASSROOM EXPERIENCE** under the supervision of a faculty member. Our students are afforded the opportunity to be employed as Teaching Assistants, enroll in teaching methodology courses, and work in both on-line and face-to-face classroom environments. Teaching Assistants in our program not only gain valuable training as teachers of Spanish language and literature, but they also benefit from salaries, **FULL TUITION WAIVERS**, and take the first steps towards building a fruitful teaching career

**CAREERS** Students graduating with a Master of Arts in Spanish from the Dept. of World Languages at USF are well-educated communicators with deep translanguingual and transcultural competence. Our graduates have been accepted into some of the most prestigious **PH.D. PROGRAMS** in the country, have found careers in related fields such as translation, foreign and domestic businesses, government, and civic service agencies, or have accepted **TEACHING POSITIONS** at both local and national schools and colleges.

## CURRICULUM

**The MA in Spanish consists of 12 courses (36 credits):**

3 credit hours of **CORE COURSE**:  
*SPW6806 Introduction to Hispanic Graduate Studies.*

33 credit hours of **ELECTIVE COURSES** in literature, culture, and linguistics. Students may take up to 6 credits outside of the department.

**COMPREHENSIVE EXAM** taken in the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year.

Students are strongly encouraged to write a **MASTER'S THESIS** under the supervision of a faculty member. For this option, students enroll in 6 credits of *SPW6971 Master's Thesis*, which are counted towards the total 33 credits of coursework.

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For more information about the Master of Arts in Spanish, contact the Graduate Program Director:

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