Spanish
Official Program Checksheet

Why Choose a Spanish Minor?

The fastest-growing population in the U.S. is Spanish-speaking Americans, and some of our most important trade partnerships are in Mexico and Latin America. In the coming years, a demonstrated fluency in Spanish is sure to be an asset in any career, whether it is education, health care, business, governmental service, technology, or tourism and leisure activities. The Spanish minor allows students to develop their skills in written and conversational Spanish and also to study the cultures of Spain, Mexico, and Latin America. Summer study-abroad programs are available when there is sufficient demand.

While all careers are enhanced by knowledge of a second or third language, specific majors at Ferris lend themselves to this intercultural awareness including:


Spanish today is the second language of the United States. In virtually all major metropolitan areas, as well as in many agricultural regions, a knowledge of Spanish provides a distinct professional and cultural advantage. Students with this minor enhance their opportunity for employment in a variety of careers throughout the country.

This academic minor prepares students for careers requiring effective communication, cultural understanding, intensive technical and professional reports, interpretive and critical thinking skills, formal proposals for funding, advanced writing abilities, and methods of research, analysis, and interpretation.

Admission Requirements

This Spanish minor is open to any student admitted to Ferris State University and pursuing a baccalaureate degree except those pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Spanish for the Professions. The minor is designed to complement any Ferris major program. A maximum of one-third of the credits, but no more than 7 credits, may overlap with the student’s major. Students may apply 6 credit hours of overlap between minors.

Graduation Requirements

An academic minor may only be awarded upon completion of a baccalaureate degree at Ferris State. This minor requires a minimum of 22 credits with a minimum 2.0 grade average in these
courses.

Also, 50 percent of the credits for a minor must be taught by Ferris State University.

**More Information**

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