

**M. Ed. / Initial Licensure in Second Languages Education  
 Prerequisite List – SPANISH**

**What are prerequisites?**

Prerequisites are foundational courses required in specific content areas for licensure. Candidates are required to have an undergraduate degree from an accredited institution with appropriate liberal arts/general education coursework and must meet the prerequisites below depending upon language status. If the applicant has an undergraduate major in Spanish, the courses outlined below (or their equivalents) are required.

**When do prerequisites need to be completed?**

Any required prerequisites should be completed before starting the program in June. The Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) should be completed and submitted with the program application. Please contact the adviser for any potential time extension requests.

Please check with your program area adviser before registering for any prerequisite coursework.

Language Status	Requirements
Native speaker educated outside the U.S.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An undergraduate degree from an accredited institution from home country</li> <li>• General psychology</li> </ul>
Native or bilingual speaker educated in the U.S. K-12 education system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An undergraduate degree from an accredited institution in the U.S.</li> <li>• Two advanced language courses (e.g. grammar/composition)</li> <li>• General psychology</li> </ul>
Native English speaker candidate with evidence of a high level of language proficiency (minimum of <u>Advanced Low</u> on Oral Proficiency Interview)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An undergraduate degree from an accredited institution in the U.S.</li> <li>• Minimum of Advanced Low (OPI)</li> <li>• Two advanced language courses (e.g. grammar/composition)</li> <li>• General psychology</li> </ul>

## Candidates with an undergraduate degree major in Spanish

Content Area	Requirement	U of M Course Options
<b>Knowledge of Language (20 cr)</b>	Beginning Spanish (two courses) (10 cr)	SPAN 1001 SPAN 1002
	Intermediate Spanish (Two courses) (10 cr)	SPAN 1003 SPAN 1004
<b>Advanced Language Proficiency (19 cr)</b>	Two advanced language courses (e.g. grammar/composition) (8 cr)	SPAN 3015 or 3104 or 3105 or 3701 or 3702 or 3703 or 3704 or 3706 or 3707 or 3730
	Spanish Electives (11 cr)  Candidates must have the minimum 39 credits in Spanish	SPAN XXXX
	Oral Proficiency Interview (minimum score of "Advanced Low")	
<b>Familiarity with Culture of Language</b>	Study abroad experience, <i>or</i>	
	Evidence of intensive practical use of language (attach appropriate documentation)	
<b>Psychology</b>	General or Intro Psychology	PSY 1001 or EPSY 1281

**\*Prerequisite courses must have a minimum 'C-' grade\***

Per U of MN program requirements, 39 credits are required for a Spanish studies degree. Adjustment can be made for Non U of M degree programs with varying credit requirements.