

The Department of World Languages & Literatures will offer a program leading to an undergraduate Certificate in Spanish for Health Professions. This program is intended for students who wish to gain targeted, advanced training in Spanish for Health Professions careers without having to complete the full major or minor in Spanish, as well as for those who wish to include the certificate as part of their major or minor. Students in the certificate program will broaden the scope of their scholastic mastery and develop/refine their professional skills, thereby increasing their likelihood of obtaining favorable employment using Spanish in health-related fields in the U.S. and internationally. The program's advanced coursework in Spanish is designed to provide students a competitive advantage by professionalizing their written and spoken Spanish and Spanish/English skills while helping prepare them to meet market demands for Spanish-language proficiency and intercultural sophistication, particularly pertaining to medical- and health-related employment contexts.

The certificate requires 9 semester credit hours of advanced Spanish coursework preceded by up to four lower-division prerequisite courses—between zero and 14 credit hours—or testing equivalency with credit optional. While all undergraduate students may pursue this certificate, it is primarily designed to benefit our many bilingual and heritage speakers of Spanish, who routinely test out of all 14 lower-division Spanish credit hours; Spanish majors and minors; and students who will complete (or test out of) lower-division Spanish courses for the foreign language requirement of all Texas State BA degrees.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
Testing equivalency or the following:		0-14
SPAN 1410 & SPAN 1420 & SPAN 2310 & SPAN 2320	Beginning Spanish I and Beginning Spanish II and Intermediate Spanish I and Intermediate Spanish II	
SPAN 3307 or SPAN 3308	Advanced Composition for Spanish Heritage Speakers Advanced Composition	3
SPAN 3315	Spanish for Health Professions I	3
SPAN 3316	Spanish for Health Professions II	3
Total Hours		9-23

Students interested in pursuing the certificate program should contact the Chair of World Languages & Literatures to discuss testing options for prerequisite coursework in Centennial Hall 214 or visit the Department website at <https://www.worldlang.txst.edu/>.