



MEMORANDUM

To: Julio Frenk
University President

From: Linda L. Neider
Chair, Faculty Senate

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Date: October 29, 2020

Subject: Faculty Senate Legislation #2020-14(B) – Revise the Minor in Spanish, Department of Modern Languages and Literatures.

The Faculty Senate, at its October 28, 2020 meeting, had no objections to the proposal to revise the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Spanish to include SPA 202 as part of the Spanish minor.


This legislation is now forwarded to you for your action.

LLN/rh/vpa

cc: Jeffrey Duerk, Executive Vice President and Provost
Leonidas Bachas, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences
Elena Grau-Lleveria, Associate Professor, Directory, Undergraduate Spanish Program

CAPSULE: Faculty Senate Legislation #2020-14(B) – Revise the Minor in Spanish, Department of Modern Languages and Literatures.

PRESIDENT’S RESPONSE

APPROVED:  DATE: 11/18/20
(President’s Signature)

OFFICE OR INDIVIDUAL TO IMPLEMENT: Leonidas Bachas, Dean, Arts & Sciences

EFFECTIVE DATE OF LEGISLATION: IMMEDIATELY
(pending any additional approval by the Board of Trustees)

NOT APPROVED AND REFERRED TO: _____

REMARKS (IF NOT APPROVED): _____

Program Change Request

Date Submitted: 02/19/20 9:07 am

Viewing: **Minor in Spanish : SPAN_MN**

Last edit: 04/04/20 11:18 am

Changes proposed by: Jenny Vargas (j.zwanziger)

Catalog Pages Using
this Program

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In Workflow

1. **PG Assessment and Accreditation**
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13. PG Registrar

Approval Path

1. 02/19/20 4:22 pm
Patty Murphy
(pxm491): Approved
for PG Assessment
and Accreditation
2. 02/19/20 4:49 pm
Yolanda Martinez-
San Miguel
(ymm34): Approved
for PG SPA Chair
3. 02/28/20 3:06 pm
Charles Mallery

- (cmallery): Rollback to PG SPA Chair for PG AS Assoc Dean
4. 03/23/20 4:53 pm
Yolanda Martinez-San Miguel
(ymm34): Approved for PG SPA Chair
5. 03/23/20 6:23 pm
Charles Mallery
(cmallery): Approved for PG AS Assoc Dean
6. 03/27/20 4:23 pm
Jennifer Ferriss-Hill (j.ferrisshill): Rollback to PG AS Assoc Dean for PG AS UG Sr Assoc Dean
7. 03/27/20 7:28 pm
Charles Mallery
(cmallery): Rollback to PG SPA Chair for PG AS Assoc Dean
8. 04/01/20 10:52 am
Yolanda Martinez-San Miguel
(ymm34): Approved for PG SPA Chair
9. 04/04/20 11:19 am
Charles Mallery
(cmallery): Approved for PG AS Assoc Dean
10. 05/05/20 1:10 pm
Jennifer Ferriss-Hill (j.ferrisshill): Approved for PG AS UG Sr Assoc Dean

- 11. 09/01/20 5:59 pm
Leonidas Bachas
(l.bachas):
Approved for PG AS
Dean
- 12. 09/03/20 3:35 pm
Patty Murphy
(pxm491): Approved
for PG University
Accreditation
- 13. 09/04/20 12:31 pm
Robyn Hardeman
(rhardeman):
Approved for PG FS
Office for UCC
- 14. 09/17/20 2:18 pm
David Chin (dchin1):
Approved for PG
University
Curriculum
Committee

Please list the authors of this proposal including name, rank/title, program/department, and school.

Proposer(s) Name

Elena Grau-Lleveria, Associate Professor, Director of the Undergraduate Spanish Program,
College of Arts and Sciences

Change Type All Other Changes

Provide a brief
summary of the
change

The revised minor includes SPA 202 as part of the Spanish minor. SPA 202 doesn't count currently for the Spanish minor and it is not part of the University language requirement.

Career Undergraduate

Academic Structure

School/ College	Department
College of Arts and Sciences	Spanish

Plan Type Minor

Who can take this program? **Any Student at University of Miami**

Proposed Plan Code

Plan Name Minor in Spanish

Will there be any subcomponents within the program such as concentrations, specializations, thesis/non-thesis options, or tracks?

Effective Term Fall 2020

First Term Valid Fall 2020

Program Instruction Mode In Person

Where is the program offered?

Location	Please provide the % of instruction at each location.
Coral Gables Campus	100

Total Credits 12

Areas of Knowledge

Arts & Humanities

People & Society

To Be Published in the Academic Bulletin

Program Overview

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A minor in Spanish consists of at least 12 credit hours starting with SPA 202 for Second Language Learners or Spanish 208 for Heritage Learners. Students must earn a grade of C- or higher in every course counting toward the minor, and with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 in the minor.

You do not have to be a student of the College of Arts and Sciences for the minor in Spanish; you need only the approval of your college or school advisor and to complete the departmental requirements.

Students with transfer credit hours must take at least 6 graded credit hours at the 300- and 400-level at the University of Miami. Up to 3 credit hours may be transferred towards the Spanish minor from another institution or non-UM study abroad program. (credits must be taken at the University of Miami.

Spanish minors must take SPA 301, SPA 302, SPA 303 or SPA 307 (or equivalent) before taking any other courses at the 300- or 400-level because these courses are the pre-requisites for all other 300- and 400-level courses.

The Spanish minor can fulfill either the Arts & Humanities or the People & Society Area of Knowledge.

Curriculum Requirements

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SPA 202	Intermediate Spanish II 1	3
SPA 203	Advanced Spanish (or above - Second Language Learners only)	3
or SPA 208	Advanced Spanish for Heritage Learners	
At least 9 credit hours of SPA at 300 and/or 400 level		9
Minimum of 6 graded credit hours from UM faculty		
Maximum of 3 transfer credit hours		
At least 6 credit hours of SPA at 300 and/or 400 level 2		6
Total Credit Hours		12

1 SPA 202 is for Second Language Learners only. Heritage learners must take an additional elective to fulfill the requirements for the minor.

23 credit hours may be transferred from another institution or from a study-abroad program not administered by UM.

*Students must earn a grade of C- or higher in every course counting toward the minor, and maintain a minimum overall average of 2.5 in the minor.

*All courses towards the minor in Spanish must be taught in the target language.

~~*3 credit hours may be transferred from another institution or from a study-abroad program not administered by UM.~~

Rationale

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Rationale for SPA 202 to garner credit for the Spanish minor

- 1.- The work that students do in SPA 202 is already focusing on reading, understanding literary texts, journal articles, movies, documentaries and producing written and oral analysis.
- 2.- The course requires a final paper of at least 6 pages, besides all the intensive writing and oral discourse that students produce during the semester. Although the final paper is not a research paper, it involves social and historical research in relation to the project. Students then present this research orally. The projects reflect the sociocultural and linguistic diversity of the Spanish-speaking world.
- 3.- For our majors and minors, the course will appear more relevant. Many students appear not to understand why they should take a course that does not garner any sort of credit toward the field of study.

Market Demand

Relationship to Other Programs

Library Resources Available and Needed to Support the Program

Laboratory Facilities, Equipment, and Space Available and Needed to Support the Program

Other Resources Available or Needed to Support the Program

Curriculum

Program Curriculum

Upload Syllabi for Any New Courses

CIP Code

Proposed CIP Code

Faculty

Program Directors

Upload CV(s)

Program Faculty

Documents

Attach Supporting Documentation

Reviewer

Comments

Yolanda Martinez-San Miguel (ymm34) (02/19/20 4:49 pm): The Modern Languages and Literatures Faculty voted to approve these changes on 11/20/2019

Leonidas Bachas (l.bachas) (09/01/20 5:59 pm): The Arts and Sciences faculty voted to approve this proposal on April 27, 2020. I support the proposed changes to the minor in Spanish

Patty Murphy (pxm491) (09/03/20 3:35 pm): This change is not a substantive change and so it does not require notification to or approval from SACSCOC.

Robyn Hardeman (rhardeman) (09/04/20 12:30 pm): Added to the UCC agenda for the 9/17/2020 meeting for their review and recommendation.

David Chin (dchin1) (09/17/20 2:18 pm): On 9/17/20 the University Curriculum Committee voted to support this proposal as submitted.

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