SPANISH AND LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES
BA (Hons)

ARE YOU STIRLING?
WHY STUDY SPANISH?
At Stirling, we approach Spanish as both a European and a global language. There are in excess of 400 million Spanish speakers worldwide, and our courses broaden in-depth understanding of language, societies and cultures across historical and geographical contexts. You’ll explore cultural diversity in modern-day Spain and Latin America, through contemporary and classic films, literature and media.

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REASONS TO CHOOSE THIS COURSE

1. TAUGHT BY WORLD EXPERTS IN THE FIELD
   From your first semester through to specialist options in Years 3 and 4, you will be taught by world-leading experts in their field.

2. TEACHING AND RESEARCH OF INTERNATIONAL STANDING
   As well as teaching at Stirling, staff in French and Spanish and Latin American Studies are regularly invited to present their work across the UK and abroad, publish widely in their research areas and are leading figures in French and Spanish/Latin American Studies.

COURSE DETAILS
As Spanish students you will be taught by tutors and lecturers who specialise in the complexities of Spain and Latin America. Our highly experienced language teachers work to provide in-depth language study throughout your degree.

You will not only develop high-level written and spoken linguistic skills, but you will also build an understanding of the histories, societies, literature, cinema and visual cultures of Spain and Latin America. You’ll be taught through a combination of lectures and small tutorial groups, with access to our language learning resources through our virtual learning environment and our specialist language labs.

As a student of Spanish at Stirling you will have a number of opportunities to spend time living, studying and working abroad as part of your degree.

On many degrees, you will spend Semester 6 studying abroad at one of our partner universities. We are constantly renewing and expanding our partnerships and they currently include universities in Spain, Chile, Argentina and Mexico. You might also be interested in one of the University’s study exchange programmes, which you could spend time studying in a wide range of overseas universities, such as, for instance, Anchorage (Alaska) or Sydney (Australia).

You might also decide to apply for an English Language Assistantship which would allow you to undertake paid teaching in schools across the Spanish-speaking world. For Education students, this fulfils the Graduate Teaching Council’s residence requirement but it is an opportunity open to all students on all Languages courses.

Students who take up these opportunities consistently comment on the positive aspects of the experience which helps develop language skills, cultural awareness and employability.
WHY CHOOSE STIRLING?
This course offers several particular features.

- Spanish for All: beginners without previous knowledge, as well as those who have learned Spanish already, can start studying the language from their first semester.
- Research and Teaching: all lecturers integrate their own research into the teaching, which creates an up to date and motivating state of the classes’ content.
- Language and Culture: in Stirling we place special emphasis on the combination of the study of language and culture and their interrelationship, using examples from practical life as well as different theoretical approaches.
- Critical and Transferable Skills: it is our aim for students to gain a critical awareness of the Spanish and Latin American world(s) and at the same time acquire abilities to transmit their knowledge to other fields of study and practical work.
- Spanish and Education: students can combine languages and education, and through this be well prepared for a secondary school education career when finishing their studies at Stirling.
- Lecturers for Students: our tutors are always ready and open for small group or individual conversations, either to clarify questions or help students deepen their interest in a certain field.

“Not only does Stirling University offer a broad range of classes and academic pursuits to explore but it also provides a strong support system to help overcome any challenges. I was given the opportunity to both teach and study abroad, which I would not have been able to do without the support of my tutors. I feel that Stirling University has prepared me well for the future and I will always cherish the memories that it has given me.

Thank you for everything.”

Sarah Hamilton,
BA in Spanish, 2016

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
A language degree is highly valued by employers across a range of sectors. Language graduates develop excellent oral and written skills, independence and self-reliance, and confidence in dealing with a variety of people, situations and cultures.

Our recent graduates have gone on to a wide variety of jobs in the UK and abroad including: Advertising, Banking, Librarianship, Management, Marketing, Public Relations, Publishing, Teaching and Translating.
### Typical Timetable

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### Semesters 1–4 Optional Modules

(Subject to change)

Optional modules include topics from: Politics, Philosophy, Social Science, Aquaculture, Sports Studies, Film & Media, History, Law, French, Spanish, Education, Computer Science, Study Skills, Business Studies

### Semester 5–7 Optional Modules

(Subject to change)

Basque and Catalan Nationalism, History and Culture, Indigenous cultures in Latin America, Modern Culture and Reworking of the Past, Representation of War in Spanish Culture

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