SPANISH

Program Description
This program develops students’ ability to speak and write Spanish, understand spoken and written Spanish, as well as develop cultural competency which enables them to interact with citizens of various Spanish-speaking countries. In addition to the core classes, students may select from a variety of courses in language, literature, and applied professional Spanish. If they are interested in professional Spanish, students can strengthen their skills in a professional environment, including translation, interpreting, business, and medical and social services. They may also gain experience through internships in a variety of settings, including the sheriff’s department, the county courthouse, various medical offices, and non-profit organizations. Students may choose courses that provide theoretical and applied insights into Spanish language, linguistics, and literature. They will examine specific genres (poetry, prose, theatre and film) as well as the periods, regions, and movements. They can explore language variation in the Hispanic world through Phonetics & Phonology and Sociolinguistics. An optional Spanish Summer Study Abroad Program provides direct exposure to language and culture in a variety of countries. Coordinated with the Spanish content courses, the Center for Teacher Education at CMU offers a comprehensive program of study that leads to a secondary teaching licensure in Colorado. Employers value the ability to communicate in Spanish, and strong language skills enhance graduates’ opportunities, especially when they combine their Spanish degree with other CMU programs such as Law Enforcement, Health Care, Social Work, and Business, among others.

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Programs of Study

Bachelors/Minors

• Education: Secondary Education, Spanish (BA) (http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/areas-study/spanish/secondary-education-spanish-ba)
• Hispanic Studies, Spanish (BA) (http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/areas-study/spanish/hispanic-studies-spanish-ba)
• Spanish (Minor) (http://catalog.coloradomesa.edu/areas-study/spanish/spanish-minor)

Inactive Programs
The following programs are inactive and not accepting applicants:

• Applied Professional, Spanish (BA)