## Admission: Students entering the program (1) must have earned a minimum 3.0 GPA in an undergraduate degree in Spanish; (2) must submit a satisfactory writing

sample; and (3) must submit satisfactory scores on the General Test of the GRE.

**Satisfactory course completion**: Students must maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA in the certificate program courses.

Completers of the GC curriculum may, should they wish to do so, apply the credits earned in the GC toward completion of UCA's MA program in Spanish.

### For more information, contact:

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For information on admissions, Application, and GRE requirements, visit the UCA graduate school website: <u>http://uca.edu/graduateschool/</u>



# Spanish

# Graduate Certificate





### The Spanish Graduate Certificate <sup>at the</sup> University of Central Arkansas

is a graduate program that provides a unique opportunity to improve your proficiency in the Spanish language and to heighten your awareness of Hispanic and Peninsular cultures. Designed for students with an undergraduate degree in Spanish, the Spanish Graduate Certificate offers courses that will broaden your expertise in the language, linguistics, and literature while also bringing you up to date with Latino, Latin American, and Spanish cultural studies. Whether you use Spanish in the workplace or the classroom, this graduate program will challenge you to achieve greater cultural and *linguistic fluency.* 



### **Program Objectives**

The Spanish Graduate Certificate is designed to provide professionals with the opportunity to study Spanish language and Hispanic cultures and literatures at an advanced level. Recipients will acquire cross-cultural competencies that will serve them in a variety of career options, including education, business, and public service. All recipients will have the opportunity to increase their proficiency levels in the four skills assessed according to the standards set by the American Council of Teachers of Foreign Languages (ACTFL).

### **General Program Information**

To enter the program, you must have completed the equivalent of an undergraduate degree in Spanish or take supplementary undergraduate coursework at UCA as designated by the Graduate Coordinator and Department Chair.

Part-time and full-time students are welcome. Classes are offered in the late afternoons and evenings, as well as in the summer.

In-service teachers may use graduate coursework towards their Professional Development requirement.

Certified teachers may take advantage of the course offerings to add an ESL or P-8 endorsement.

### **Program Requirements**

**The Graduate Certificate in Spanish** requires completion of fifteen (15) semester hours at the graduate level, as follows:

(1) Three (3) hours (one course) selected from the following core MA courses:

SPAN 5315 Spanish Literature and Culture SPAN 5345 Latin American Literature SPAN 5340 History of the Spanish Language

(2) A minimum of six (6) hours of SPAN courses at the 6000-level (see below)

(3) Another six (6) elective hours at either the 5000 or 6000 level (including the option of taking another core course listed above). These hours may be taken in the Spanish Program or may include a maximum of one course outside the program, such as a course toward the ESL endorsement (WLAN 5315, 5325, or 5330), or a graduate course in English or History.

#### Elective Courses:

SPAN 5350 Intro to Spanish Linguistics SPAN 6301 Applied Spanish Linguistics SPAN 6330 Hispanic Author Seminar SPAN 6335 Seminar on Literary Genre SPAN 6340 Seminar on Garcia Marquez SPAN 6395 Studies in Spanish Literature