



Bachelor of Arts

Major: Spanish

Specialization: Teaching

2024-2025 Sample 4-Year Plan

Total Degree Requirements: 120 credits

Student _____ Student ID# _____ Student Phone # _____

Advisor _____ Minimum GPA 2.5 Minor/Career Interest(s) _____

Students are not limited to this plan; it is meant to be used as a guide for planning purposes in consultation with your advisor. The sample schedule is one possible path to completing your degree within four years. For official program requirements, please refer to the

[Undergraduate Catalog](#).

FIRST YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
AHSS 192	Introduction to American and Global Studies	Suggested	1	F	
ENGL 101	Composition I (SGR #1)	p. Placement	3		
SGR #3	Social Sciences	SGR #3 satisfied by coursework from 2 different disciplines.	3		
SGR #6	Natural Sciences w Lab		4		
SPAN 201	Intermediate Spanish I (SGR #4)	p. SPAN 102; Take placement exam to determine proficiency level. Heritage speakers of Spanish may begin instead with SPAN 315 - Spanish for Heritage Speakers (fall only) upon approval.	3	F	
Total Credit Hours			14		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
AIS 211	South Dakota American Indian Culture and Education (SGR #3)		3		
SGR #2	Oral Communication		3		
SGR #5	Mathematics	p. Placement	3		
SGR #6	Natural Sciences		3-4		
SPAN 202	Intermediate Spanish II (SGR #4)	p. SPAN 201; Heritage speakers of Spanish may begin instead with SPAN 315 - Spanish for Heritage Speakers (fall only) upon approval.	3		
Total Credit Hours			15-16		

SECOND YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
SPAN 310	Practical Languages Skills	p. SPAN 202; Heritage speakers of Spanish may take SPAN 315 (fall only) in lieu of SPAN 310 upon approval. SPAN 330 may also be taken concurrently. Consult with your Spanish advisor.	3		
SGR #1	Written Communication	p. ENGL 101	3		
Minor/2 nd Major Courses		Optional minor/double major encouraged	9		
Total Credit Hours			15		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
EDFN 101	Exploration of Teaching and Learning		1		
SPAN 330	Reading and Writing for Communication	p. SPAN 310; May also be taken concurrently with SPAN 310.	3		
Minor/2 nd Major Courses		Optional minor/double major encouraged	12		
Total Credit Hours			16		

THIRD YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
EDFN 340	Adolescent Development in Educational Contexts		3		
EDFN 351	Teaching and Learning I		1		

Information Subject to Change. This is not a contract.

p. = Course Prerequisite, c = Course Co-requisite
Semester: F = Fall, S = Spring, SU = Summer



Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
SPAN Upper division elective		See note below for Spanish elective course requirements for the Spanish Teaching Specialization.	6-9		
General Electives		300-400 level course recommended.	3-6		
Total Credit Hours			16		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
EDFN 352-352L	Teaching and Learning II and Lab	Education program consent required.	5		
MFL 420	K-12 Foreign Language Methods		3	S	
SPAN Upper division elective		See note below for Spanish elective course requirements for the Spanish Teaching Specialization.	6		
Total Credit Hours			14		

Summer

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
SPAN 396/494 Or SPAN 496	International Internship or Study Abroad	Study abroad experience. Students may also choose to study abroad for one semester or year and may also transfer upper-division core courses taken abroad. You should talk to your Spanish advisor early on to plan your study abroad experience.	4-12		
Total Credit Hours			4-12		

FOURTH YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
EDFN 453-453L	Teaching and Learning III and Lab	Education program consent required.	7		
SPAN Upper division elective		See note below for Spanish elective course requirements for the Spanish Teaching Specialization.	3		
SEED 450	7-12 Reading and Content Literacy	Education program consent required.	2		
Total Credit Hours			12		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
EDFN 454	Teaching and Learning IV	p. EDFN 453; c. SEED 456; Education program consent required; Capstone	11		
SEED 456	Capstone/Action Research	c. EDFN 454	1		
Total Credit Hours			12		

COMMENTS/NOTES

Students from all academic majors can pursue graduation with Fishback Honors College distinction. View the [Honors program requirements](#).

An overall GPA of 2.5 is required to enroll in education courses.

As part of the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, students in this program must complete:

- a minimum of 33 upper division credits (300-400 level courses)
- a capstone course in their major
- a grade of C or better is required for all major coursework
- teaching specialization (If a student should choose not to complete the teacher specialization, an additional minor or major will be required for graduation with a Spanish major.)
- 6+ credits of Modern Foreign Language coursework, including completion of the 202-Level

Students pursuing a major in Spanish with Teacher Certification must complete:

- Major Core: 12 credits
- Major Electives: 24 credits
 - 15 of the elective credits must be at the 300 and 400 level.
 - The Spanish Teaching Specialization requires the 24 credits from the following 3 elective categories:
 - Advanced Language/Linguistics Electives: 3+ credits, or minimum one course;
 - Literature and Culture Electives: 12+ credits, or minimum four courses;
 - Applied and Experiential Learning Electives 0-9 credits

Testing into a higher-level language course may reduce time to graduation. To begin coursework above the 101 level, take the free modern language placement test at <https://www.sdstate.edu/school-american-and-global-studies/language-placement-information>. Once student passes a higher-level course (except conversation) with a grade of C or better, students can be granted credit for SPAN 101 and up to 202 for a nominal fee. Students with any modern language experience are strongly encouraged to complete the placement test and register for the appropriate course according to their language proficiency level.