Hispanic Studies (BA)

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The undergraduate major in Hispanic Studies promotes language proficiency and also an understanding of diverse cultures. Students are offered a wide range of opportunities to study languages and cultures, to enhance their knowledge and appreciation of customs, traditions and contemporary issues, while building their proficiency in listening, speaking, reading and writing. Through the study of other languages and cultures, students gain a valuable perspective that enhances their lives personally and professionally in our global society. Students who have pursued majors and additional majors in Hispanic Studies have built successful careers in a variety of fields such as government, entrepreneurship and business, law, technology and engineering media, public health, health policy, and health professions, nonprofit organizations, entertainment and creative arts, education, and more.

Students who arrive at Carnegie Mellon with previous language study and/or who have a high Advanced Placement score, appropriate level International Baccalaureate or high internal placement exam score will be able to begin taking courses toward the major earlier in their undergraduate career. Study abroad programs, which accelerate progress toward the major, are highly recommended.

Outside the classroom, there are numerous activities to promote language practice and intercultural exchange, such as internships and tutoring opportunities, assignments with native speakers, weekly Spanish tables and coffee hours, as well as participation in special cultural events.

This is a suggested schedule for the first 2 years for a Primary Major for students with no previous study in the language. It is also available as an Additional Major and a Minor.

The remainder of the Major and GenEd can be completed in the junior and senior year.

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*Students who place out of elementary (100) level language courses via Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate or internal placement test results may start their language study at the Intermediate (200) level or higher; students placing out of the Intermediate (200) level start their language study at the advanced (300) level. [https://www.cmu.edu/dietrich/modlang/undergraduate/placement/index.html](https://www.cmu.edu/dietrich/modlang/undergraduate/placement/index.html)

**Elective: This space can be used for a pre-requisite course, another GenEd course, major course, or for a course you are interested in.

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