Students majoring in Spanish study one of the major languages of the world, ranking fifth in the number of native speakers. Spanish is the most frequently studied foreign language. The major focuses primarily on the language, culture and literature of Spanish-speaking countries found in South America and Spain. Many companies in the United States and abroad are looking for employees who speak more than one language.

**Associated Job Titles:**
- Spanish Teacher
- Customs Official
- Import/Export Agent
- Interpreter
- Language Researcher
- Missionary
- College Professor
- Translator
- Travel Agent
- Bilingual Corporate Specialist
- CIA/FBI Agent
- Flight Attendant
- Hotel Manager
- Lawyer
- Journalist
- Peace Corps Volunteer

**Associated Skills:**
- Fluency in speaking, reading and writing Spanish
- Command of the English language
- Ability to memorize detailed information
- Background of general knowledge
- Proficiency in phonetics and ability to imitate sounds
- Understanding of the language and culture of Spanish-speaking countries

**Associated Personal Qualities:**
- Self discipline
- Motivated learner
- Patient
- Linguistic ability
- Adaptability
- Creativity
- Love of travel
- Appreciation for the culture and life-style of others
- Love for and appreciation of the Spanish language and Hispanic culture

**Career Library Resources:**
- Great Jobs for Foreign Language Majors
- Peterson’s Job Opportunities
- Liberal Arts Jobs
- What Color Is Your Parachute?
- Career Planning Today
- Majoring in the Rest of Your Life
- Do What You Are
- Encyclopedia of Careers and Vocational Guidance
- The Kuder Book of People Who Like Their Work
- The Enhanced Guide for Occupational Exploration
- The Dictionary of Occupational Titles
- The Occupational Outlook Handbook
- FOCUS Computer Guidance System

**Places To Contact For More Information:**
- American Translators Association
  1800 Diagonal Rd. Suite 220
  Alexandria, VA  22314
- Institute for European-Latin American Relations
  Pedro de Valdivia, 10-3
  E- 28006 Madrid Spain
- American Institute for Foreign Study
  102 Greenwich Avenue
  Greenwich, CT 06830
- Association of Departments of Foreign Language
  Ten Astor Place
  New York, NY 10003
- Instituto Cervantes (USA),
  122 East 42nd Street. Suite 807,
  New York, NY 10168

**Websites To Visit:**
- www.businessspanish.com
- www.atanet.org
- www.studyspanish.com
- www.actfl.org
- http://spanish.about.com
- www.spanishdict.com
- www.lingolex.com/spanish.htm
- www.red2000.com/

**Professors To Contact For More Information:**
- Dr. Shelby Thacker, Chair
- Professor Kimberly Lowry

**Nearby Employers:**
- Fayette County Public Schools  701 E. Main St.  281-0100
- Jessamine County Schools  501 E. Maple St.  885-4179

*Addresses listed are located in the Lexington, Kentucky area unless otherwise noted.

**Alumni Contacts:**
Schedule an appointment with Career Services to conduct a tailored search for alumni working in the fields associated with this major.

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Note: For specific information concerning course requirements of this major, please pick up a major sheet at the Registrar’s Office located in the Administration building.

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