



M.A. Spanish Student Literature Learning Outcomes

Our graduate program in Spanish Language and Literature enhances the general competences, skills, and attitudes students acquire in a Bachelor of Arts program.

M.A. in Spanish students should acquire the following core competences related to literary study:

Goal 1

Express ideas, analysis, and interpretation using effective critical thinking through clear oral exposition and in writing. Develop considerable and solid knowledge for analysis and interpretation. This goal coincides with the Intellectual Inquiry and Communication dimension of the Saint Louis University education.

Goal 2

Use basic principles of literary and cultural theory to analyze and interpret a variety of texts and other forms of cultural and historical periods, and acquire insight into the application of this knowledge as a means of studying a significant corpus to be able to identify and cogently explain the works and other literary documents and films in their historical, ideological and stylistic context. This goal coincides with the Community Building dimension of the Saint Louis University experience, which leads to respects and compassion for the understanding and dignity of each person, coming from different backgrounds, level of education, history, race and ethnic group.

Goal 3

Demonstrate specialized knowledge of selected literary and cultural works, authors and cultural producers of the Spanish Peninsular and Spanish American literary world, understood in their aesthetic, historical, and social contexts. This goal also coincides with the Community Building dimension of the Saint Louis University Experience.

Goal 4

Conduct research with others in the fields of Spanish Peninsular and Spanish American literature and culture, and demonstrate the results of such research combined with original thinking in academic essays and in class presentations. The development in the domains of research would enable students to pursue doctoral studies. This collective view of participation coincides with the Leadership and Service dimension of the Saint Louis University Experience.

Goal 5

To create a secure, cooperative and spiritual learning environment that invite students to engage freely in class participation. This goal coincides with the Spirituality and Values dimension of Saint Louis University Experience.

All 5 goals support the Scholarship and Knowledge dimension of Saint Louis University Experience.