

**SPANISH B.A.**  
**SPECIALIZATION REQUIRED**  
**(HLC OR SLLT)**

**+GLOBAL DISTINCTION**

**MAJOR ACADEMIC PLAN (MAP)**

**Sample Progression Plan**

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| <p><b>Fall Semester 1</b><br/> <i>ASpn 200 FL</i> <b>Foreign Language (3 = Intermed I)</b><br/> <i>(If you are new to Spanish, start with ASPN 100 or 105, then 101 in Sp Sem 1, &amp; 200 in Fall Sem2).</i><br/>           Arts Gen Ed <b>AR</b><br/>           Natural Science Gen Ed <b>NS</b><br/>           Elective<br/>           Elective</p> | <p><b>Spring Semester 1</b><br/> <i>ASpn 201</i> <b>Foreign Language (4 = Intermed II)</b><br/>           Math Gen Ed <b>MS</b><br/>           UUni 110 <b>WCI</b><br/> <i>AHis 158 CH IP</i> <b>(Transnational)</b><br/>           Professional Development/Elective</p>   | <p><b>Summer 1</b><br/>           Consider coursework<br/> <i>(Pro Tip: spread out Gen Eds by taking them in the summer)</i><br/>           Look for a summer job in the area of your studies</p>  |
| <p><b>Fall Semester 2</b><br/>           ASpn 205/206<br/>           Minor Course<br/> <i>AGlo/AEas/ALcs 321 SS</i> <b>(Development)</b><br/>           US Historical Perspectives Gen Ed <b>US</b><br/>           Elective</p>  | <p><b>Spring Semester 2</b><br/>           ASpn 208/209<br/>           Minor Course<br/>           ALin/AAnt 220 <b>SS</b> (SLLT specialization only)<br/>           Professional Development/Elective<br/>           Elective</p>  | <p><b>Summer 2</b><br/>           Consider study abroad options<br/>           Look for shadowing or research opportunities</p>  |
| <p><b>Fall Semester 3</b><br/>           ASpn 303<br/> <i>ASpn 310 HU</i> <b>(Culture)</b><br/>           Minor Course<br/>           Minor Course<br/>           Elective</p>   | <p><b>Spring Semester 3</b><br/> <b>Study Abroad!</b> <b>IP</b><br/>           300-400 Major Elective<br/>           300-400 Major Elective<br/>           Minor Course<br/>           1-2 Electives<br/> <i>Study abroad in any semester or even for 1 year, with the approval of your Major and GD academic advisors.</i></p>       | <p><b>Summer 3</b><br/> <b>Intern/Research Abroad!</b> <b>IP</b><br/>           (8-10 weeks)<br/>           May earn credit for Independent Study (ASpn 397).<br/> <i>Pro Tip: Why not declare the <b>International Studies Minor</b> to formally reflect study and interning abroad, or add a Minor in <b>Linguistics</b> or <b>Latin American and Caribbean Studies</b>?</i></p> |
| <p><b>Fall Semester 4</b><br/>           400-level ASpn Specialization Course (HLC/SLLT)<br/>           400-level ASpn Specialization Course (HLC/SLLT)<br/>           Minor Course<br/>           Elective<br/>           Prof Development/Elective</p>   | <p><b>Spring Semester 4</b><br/>           400-level ASpn Specialization Course (HLC/SLLT)<br/>           400-level ASpn Specialization Course (HLC/SLLT)<br/> <i>ASpn 443 (HLC) or 401/403 (SLLT)</i> <br/> <b>(globally-oriented capstone project)</b><br/>           Elective<br/>           Professional Development/Elective</p> | <p><b>Congratulations!</b><br/>           You have earned UAlbany's <b>Global Distinction!</b><br/> <b>HLC</b> = Hispanic Literatures and Cultures<br/> <b>SLLT</b> = Spanish Language, Linguistics, Teaching</p>  |

**General Education Requirements, for students matriculating Fall 2014 and after:**

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| <b>MS</b> Mathematics and Statistics    | <b>SS</b> Social Sciences  |
| <b>WCI</b> Writing and Critical Inquiry | <b>IP</b> International Perspectives   |
| <b>AR</b> Arts                          | <b>US</b> U.S. Historical Perspectives   |
| <b>HU</b> Humanities                    | <b>CH</b> Challenges for the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century  |
| <b>NS</b> Natural Sciences              | <b>FL</b> Foreign Language ( <i>one semester of collegiate study, or the equivalent, of a foreign language</i> ) |

**Credit bearing Professional Development Options:**

- RSSW 290, 291 and 390 – Community Service
- Research within major University
- Internship Departmental Internship
- Community Engaged Coursework
- Study Abroad
- Tutoring opportunities

NOTE: This is a suggested course sequence.

**Global Distinction (GD) Course Categories:**

- UAlbany Gen Ed or Major requirement AND counts towards the GD (Global Distinction)!
- + Counts towards the GD AND your Electives AND may also count towards your Major, Minor or Gen Ed Requirements!

\*See the back of this sheet for more information about the Global Distinction.

## What the Global Distinction Program can do for you!

Global Distinction is a new University at Albany Milestone (appearing on the bottom of your official transcript upon graduation) conferred upon students who complete a structured set of life-changing, international academic experiences that produce a globally competent graduate. Today's employers and graduate school programs seek students who have the right balance of disciplinary knowledge and real-world problem-solving skills. In today's highly globalized society, scientists, artists, employees, and small business owners all need to master inter-cultural communication skills. Global Distinction meets that need through

- 2 years (4 semesters) of **foreign language** acquisition or the equivalent in proficiency
- **Interdisciplinary, globally-oriented coursework**, including 1 course that includes a focus on
  - Culture-Area Studies or Inter-Cultural Competency (*Culture*)
  - International Development or Economics (*Development*)
  - International Relations, Migration, or Human Rights (*Transnational*)
  - a Capstone Research Project that is approached with a global lens (if your Major requires a research seminar/paper)
- **International immersion** via a **study abroad** semester and an 8-10 week summer **internship/research** opportunity

## You can graduate on time!

With the guidance of your academic advisors for your Major, Minor and the Global Distinction (GAP Director Dr. Annette Richie; email [arichie@albany.edu](mailto:arichie@albany.edu) for an appointment), you will find your "best fit" university for your study abroad semester and your summer internship or lab research placement. The "extra" language and interdisciplinary, globally-oriented coursework can be completed at UAlbany or abroad, or applied from your Transfer, Advanced Placement, and University in the High School courses. *Culture*, *Development* and *Transnational* courses can be found in various Majors and Minors and many fulfill Gen Ed requirements.

## The GD program is within your financial reach!

You can use financial aid and most UAlbany scholarships for studying and interning abroad as you are earning UAlbany credit! Global Distinction participants will be eligible for a **Flight Voucher**, to apply towards studying, interning, or researching abroad.

Global Academic Programs offers its own **scholarships**, through the World Within Reach Scholarship Fund and The Joan N. Savitt Scholarship for Study Abroad. Learn more at <http://www.albany.edu/studyabroad/scholarships-grants.php>. Jacqueline Ledermann, GAP Assistant Director, advises on external scholarship applications, such as the NSEP Boren Scholarship, the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship, and the Critical Language Scholarship. Some nations and overseas universities that we partner with also offer their own scholarships. Amounts and eligibility criteria vary.

## Study abroad in your Major at these UAlbany partner universities (these are just some examples)!

**Argentina:** ECELA Spanish Language School (Mendoza); Universidad del Salvador (USAL, Buenos Aires)

**Australia:** University of Wollongong (Wollongong)

**Chile:** ECELA Spanish Language School (Santiago and Vina del Mar)

**Cuba:** History, Politics and Culture of Cuba (Havana)

**Dominican Republic:** Universidad Iberoamericana (UNIBE, Santo Domingo)

**Ireland:** National University of Ireland, Galway

**Mexico:** Autonomous University of Social Movements (Various – Tlaxcala)

**Peru:** ECELA Spanish Language School (Cuzco and Lima)

**South Africa:** University of Cape Town (Cape Town)

**Spain:** AIP Language Institute (Valencia); UAlbany in Madrid, with access to courses taught in Spanish and English at the Universidad Autonoma de Madrid (Madrid); Universitat Pompeu Fabra (ESCI, Barcelona)

**United Kingdom:** Swansea University (Wales); University of Nottingham (Nottingham, England)