SOCI 396  HUMAN SERVICES PRACTICUM (3) Prerequisites: SOCI 201, 209; seniors with a 2.25 minimum GPA; approval of written proposal by practicum coordinator, academic advisor, and school dean prior to registration. This course provides students in the Human Services Emphasis of the Sociology major with a supervised practicum experience in a setting consistent with the student’s professional area of interest. Examples of practicum settings include, but are not limited to, social services departments; primary and secondary schools; higher education student affairs departments; human service agencies and organizations; community organizing coalitions; grass roots organizations; mental health, substance abuse, and crisis intervention service settings; and hospital organizations. Practicum experiences are developed by the student with assistance from the sociology faculty and/or the practicum coordinator.

SOCI 397  INDEPENDENT STUDY IN SOCIOLOGY (1-3) Prerequisites: Approval of faculty sponsor and school dean; junior or senior standing. This course provides students the opportunity to pursue individual study of topics not covered in other available courses. The area for investigation is developed in consultation with a faculty sponsor and credit is dependent on the nature of the work. May be repeated for no more than six credits.

SOCI 398  SPECIAL TOPICS IN SOCIOLOGY (1-3) [credit depends on topic] Prerequisite: A background of work in the discipline. This course will focus on an aspect of the discipline not otherwise covered by the regularly offered courses. The topic will vary according to professor and term; consequently, more than one may be taken by a student during his/her matriculation.

SOCI 399  INTERNSHIP IN SOCIOLOGY (1-6) Prerequisite: Juniors or seniors with a 2.25 minimum GPA; approval of written proposal by internship coordinator, supervising faculty, and school dean prior to registration. This course provides the student with a supervised work experience in a setting in which sociology is applied. Examples of work settings include, but are not limited to, advertising agencies, personnel departments in large businesses, market research firms, municipal planning offices, correctional agencies, and social service departments. Internships are developed by the student with assistance from the sociology staff and/or the internship coordinator. (See “Internships.”)

SOCI 430  SENIOR RESEARCH CAPSTONE (3) Prerequisites: SOCI 201, 270, 280, 358, 372 or 374. Contemporary Issues in Sociology. This course is designed to synthesize the student’s Sociology Program experiences. During the semester each student chooses a research topic, carries out the appropriate literature review, and designs the research method to be used to investigate the topic chosen.

SPANISH COURSES (SPAN)

Students who enter Lynchburg College directly from high school, and who have had two or more years of a foreign language in high school, may qualify for enrollment at the intermediate level if they wish to continue with the same language. All students entering the 102 and 201 language levels will be required to take a placement test. The results of this test will determine the level of the language at which the student is required to enroll, unless the student has completed the prerequisite language course successfully at the college level or earned AP credit.

Work in the language laboratory constitutes part of the elementary and intermediate language courses. It is designed to teach and test listening-comprehension and speaking skills, the components of which are: auditory discrimination, auditory memory, pronunciation, and fluency.

The foreign language requirements may be waived for a student whose native language is not English if that student demonstrates to the faculty in the program an acceptable proficiency in speaking and writing in the native language.

SPAN 101-102  ELEMENTARY SPANISH (3,3) This course sequence introduces four language skills in Spanish: listening comprehension, speaking, reading, and writing with emphasis on basic grammar and oral proficiency. Work in the language laboratory is required.

SPAN 201  INTERMEDIATE SPANISH (3) Prerequisites: SPAN 101-102 (each student’s level is determined by a placement test that is given at the beginning of the course). This course provides a review of grammar and intensive reading and conversational practice, with emphasis on speaking, in Spanish. This course brings students to the novice high/intermediate low oral proficiency level (ACTFL Guidelines). Work in the language laboratory is required.
SPAN 202  INTERMEDIATE SPANISH (3)  Prerequisite: SPAN 201. This course reviews fundamental principles of grammar with an introduction to Spanish and Latin American civilization through readings in contemporary prose and poetry. Emphasis is on oral practice and vocabulary building based on readings.

SPAN 205  INTERMEDIATE SPANISH - MEDICAL (3)  Prerequisites: SPAN 101-102 (each student’s level is determined by a placement test that is given at the beginning of the course). This special section of Intermediate Spanish focuses on medical and health-related terminology, contexts, and situations. The course offers practice of the same grammatical concepts and linguistic functions as in all other sections of Intermediate Spanish, but the vocabulary and correlating role-play situations and lab activities will focus on health-related situations. This course will bring students to the novice high/intermediate low conversational level (ACTFL guidelines). By taking this course, students planning for careers in health sciences fields should be better able to address the health-related social, linguistic, and cultural needs of the Hispanic population. Work in the Modern Language Resource Center is required. This course fulfills the General Education requirement for Foreign Languages.

SPAN 206  SPANISH FOR INTERNATIONAL AND CRIMINAL LAW (3)  Prerequisite: SPAN 201 or equivalent. This special section of Intermediate Spanish 202 focuses on legal terminology, contexts, and situations. This course offers practice of the same grammatical concepts and linguistic functions as in other sections of Intermediate Spanish 202, but the vocabulary and correlating role-play situations and grammar practice activities will focus on situations involving criminal and international law. This course reviews fundamental principles of grammar through readings, projects, writing assignments and mock court procedures involving situations of international and criminal law.

SPAN 208  HISPANIC LITERATURE IN ENGLISH TRANSLATION (3)  This course focuses on selected works of the most representative authors of the twentieth century in Spain and in Spanish America and satisfies the literature requirement in general education.

SPAN 221  ADVANCED LANGUAGE PRACTICE: CONVERSATION (3)  Prerequisite: SPAN 202. This course offers intensive practice in both oral and written Spanish to develop fluency and correctness expression. While this course has both writing and speaking components, emphasis will be given to developing oral fluency with grammatical accuracy in class discussions and speaking assignments based on cultural readings.

SPAN 222  ADVANCED LANGUAGE PRACTICE: COMPOSITION (3)  Prerequisite: SPAN 202. This course offers intensive practice in both oral and written Spanish to develop fluency and correctness expression. While this course has both writing and speaking components, emphasis will be given to developing writing ability through frequent compositions based on cultural readings and class discussions.

SPAN 277  STUDY ABROAD: INTRODUCTION TO THE CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION OF SPAIN (3)  This course features the study of the history, culture, and civilization of Spain and is taught in Spain as part of the summer Study Abroad Program. There is no prerequisite and is taken as elective credit.

SPAN 311  CINEMA IN SPANISH (3)  Prerequisite: SPAN 221 or 222. This course will explore a particular topic in depth through the use of Hispanic films and, when appropriate, literature. Possible topics include: Hispanic gender roles, the interpretation and representation of Hispanic history, contested Hispanic cultural and political questions, and the depiction of Hispanics in current U.S. and other non-Hispanic films.

SPAN 340  THE CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION OF LATIN AMERICA (3)  Prerequisite: SPAN 202 or 206. This broad introduction to Spanish American culture focuses on the geography, environmental concerns, political systems, economics, and an abbreviated history of Spanish American culture, beginning with pre-Columbian cultures. Emphasis is placed on cultural contributions including, but not limited to, art, music, film, food, and literature.

SPAN 341  THE CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION OF SPAIN (3)  Prerequisite: SPAN 202 or 206. This course is a study of the cultures, history, geography, politics, society, and the economy of Spain. Although the focus for the course will be contemporary, an overview of Spanish history is necessary to understand modern Spain.
SPAN 351  INTRODUCTION TO SPANISH LINGUISTICS (3) Prerequisite: SPAN 221 or 222. This course is an introduction to the basic linguistic issues concerning the Spanish language, from the point of view of contemporary linguistics theory. It will familiarize students with the basic concepts of the principle areas of linguistics: syntax, semantics, morphology, phonetics, phonology, historical linguistics, dialectology, psycholinguistics, first and second language acquisition and sociolinguistics.

SPAN 360  INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE IN SPANISH: LATIN AMERICA (3) Prerequisite: SPAN 221 or 222. This course includes a broad survey of Latin American literature written in Spanish from the colonial period to the present. It will include a selection of the most representative works from the Colonial period, the 19th century, as well as works from the 20th and 21st centuries in the genres of prose, poetry and drama. Students will also learn strategies for conducting literary analysis of a text in Spanish.

SPAN 361  INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE IN SPANISH: SPAIN (3) Prerequisite: SPAN 221 or 222. This course includes a broad survey of Peninsular Spanish literature from the medieval period to the present. It will include a selection of the most representative works from the Middle Ages, Spain’s Golden Age, the Generation of ’98, as well as works from the 20th and 21st centuries in the genres of prose, poetry and drama. Students will also learn strategies for conducting literary analysis of a text in Spanish.

SPAN 377  STUDY ABROAD (3) Prerequisite: SPAN 202. This course features intensive Spanish instruction in oral communication, civilization, culture, and language during the summer term.

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SPAN 470  METHODOLOGY OF TEACHING SECOND LANGUAGES (3) Prerequisite: Junior or senior status. This course is designed for students interested in teaching French, Spanish or English as a second language (ESL). The course provides a thorough introduction to contemporary theories of second language acquisition, methods of language teaching and assessment, and current issues in second language teaching. Additional work will be required for graduate credit.

SPAN 475  RESEARCH AND TRANSLATION METHODS (3). Prerequisite: Senior standing. SPAN 340 or 341, and at least one other 300-level course in Spanish. This course prepares students to write papers in Spanish for upper-level courses and the senior thesis. It will also give a brief introduction to and practice with translation methodology. This course is required of all Spanish majors.

SPAN 476  SENIOR THESIS (3). Prerequisite: SPAN 475. This is the senior capstone course for Spanish and is required of all Spanish majors. Students will write a thesis in Spanish, under the direction of a faculty member in Spanish, and will be required to present it in Spanish orally and in writing. Students will also present and defend a portfolio of their oral and written work accumulated during their time as students pursuing a specialization in Spanish. The defense will be conducted partly in Spanish and partly in English.