

**NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF SPANISH & PORTUGUESE**

Major Entrance Questionnaire

Congratulations on choosing a major in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese!

We appreciate your taking a few minutes to complete this questionnaire, as your responses will help us ensure that our major continues to respond to student feedback. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to check with your major adviser.

This questionnaire MUST be completed and submitted with your declaration of major in Spanish

1) Please indicate your year at NU (e.g., class of 2014, etc.):

2) What are your preferred pronouns? _____

3) Are you a heritage speaker of Spanish? () Yes () No

4) What first drew you to consider a major in Spanish? Please rank in order, with 1 being the most important.

_____ course(s) taken at NU (please indicate which one/s: _____)

_____ coursework done elsewhere (please indicate where: _____)

_____ interest in Spanish language

_____ interest in Iberian and/or Latin American cultures

_____ interest in Iberian and/or Latin American literatures

_____ enhancement of employment/career opportunities

_____ other (please specify): _____

3.) Where did you place when you started at NU?

_____ 101/ 115

_____ 121

_____ 125

_____ 199

_____ 202/203/207

_____ 210+

4) Take a moment to read the following brief description of what the department's major offers students, as well as to take a look at the list of undergraduate courses offered (e.g., major checklist).

The major in Spanish is designed to immerse students in the complexity and diversity of literary and intellectual traditions in Latin American and Iberian cultures while achieving fluency in the target language. Students are encouraged to focus on particular interests, such as literary and cultural history, Latino studies, Lusophone

studies, race and ethnicity, film, cultural history and others. Many students fulfill some of the requirements for the major through courses taken in study abroad programs.

Considering this description,

How important to you are the following types of courses in completing the major?

	Not important			Essential		Not sure
	1	2	3	4	5	
1. Advanced Grammar/ Topics in Language						
2. Writing in Spanish						
3. Textual analysis						
4. Survey/ introductory literature and culture courses taught in Spanish						
5. Survey/ introductory literature and culture courses taught in English						
6. Spanish Linguistics						
7. Topics courses in the Literatures of Spain and/or Latin America (taught in Spanish)						
8. Topics courses in the Literatures of Spain and Latin America (taught in English)						
9. Topics in U.S. Latino Studies						
10. Film courses						
11. Portuguese Language Courses						
12. Brazilian and/or Portuguese lit. (taught in English)						
13. Electives in other departments						
14. Graduate courses						
15. Study abroad						
16. Honors thesis						

17. Do you plan to have another major, minor or concentration? If yes, which?