

Hispanic Studies

Knowledge of Spanish is increasingly important in today's world: there are over 350 million Spanish native speakers. With your language and culture skills you will have greater opportunities in the job market, be able to communicate with co-workers and customers, understand signage and documents, especially if traveling abroad. This major will also give you the opportunity to go abroad to a Spanish speaking country and immerse yourself in the language and culture.

TOP 5 Reasons to study Hispanic Studies

- 1 Students have the opportunity to go abroad and immerse themselves in the language and culture.
- 2 Spanish is increasingly important in today's world, and can increase opportunities in the job market.
- 3 Interact closely with professors in class and during our many events held throughout the year.
- 4 Mastery of Spanish gives access to a multicultural perspective on the world.
- 5 Knowledge of traditions and historical understanding of the cultures of Spain and Spanish America.

Alumni Story

"During my studies, I was fortunate enough to travel to Cuba, Mexico, and Ecuador, all of which were remarkable experiences."

- Jonathan Allan BAH '04

TOP ALUMNI JOBS

5% of alumni work in
**PROFESSIONAL
TRAINING &
CONSULTING**

8% of alumni work in
**BANKING &
INVESTMENT**

10% of alumni work in
GOVERNMENT

40% of alumni work in
EDUCATION

2022-23 Plan
Thresholds

Thresholds are made on a competitive basis and are updated annually. To see the thresholds for all programs as well as the latest information, please visit quartsci.com/planselection

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Certificate

Data Analytics

Disability and
Physical Activity

Employment
Relations

Entrepreneurship,
Innovation and
Creativity

French for
Professionals

Geographic
Information
Science

Global Action and
Engagement

Indigenous
Languages and
Cultures

International
Studies

Media Studies

Sexual and Gender
Diversity

Urban Planning
Studies

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Acquire Skills. Gain Experience. Go Global.

That is a degree from Queen's.

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Hispanic Studies MAJOR MAP



BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS): MAJOR, JOINT HONOURS, MINOR

1ST YEAR

2ND YEAR

3RD YEAR

4TH OR FINAL YEAR

GET THE COURSES YOU NEED

Start with SPAN 111: Beginning Spanish I and SPAN 112: Beginning Spanish II to explore the foundations of Hispanic Studies along with some electives.

Attend [Majors Night](#) in the Winter term to learn more about Plan options.

Continue with Spanish language classes: Take SPAN 204, SPAN 205 and SPAN 206. Consider taking LLCU 247 and LLCU 248. Think of adding minor and/or certificate such as [International Studies](#). Attend [Degree +](#) in the Fall term to learn more about [Certificates](#) and [Internship](#) options.

Visit [SASS \(Student Academic Support Services\)](#) and the Writing Centre for some help.

Take SPAN 301 and SPAN 302. Start taking courses on literature: SPAN 351, SPAN 380, SPAN 381.

Explore many areas of Hispanic Studies. Meet with an [Academic Advisor](#) to make sure you are on track.

Complete SPAN option courses at 300 level. You may choose up to 6.0 units of option courses in English such as LLCU 111, LLCU 244, or LLCU 249.

In fourth year you will have the chance to participate in research-based courses that can lead to [Graduate School](#) or to your future career path. Make sure to finish up all your courses for your optional minor and/or certificate(s).

GET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Join teams or clubs on campus such as [Global Village](#), or [Queen's University Salsa Club](#).

See the [AMS Clubs Directory](#) or the [Queen's Get Involved](#) page for more ideas. Join [English Language Support Volunteer Program \(QUIC\)](#).

Take more responsibility within different clubs. Think about applying to positions in student services or the [AMS](#). Look into summer jobs by talking to the department or Career Services about work through [SWEP](#) or [Work-Study](#). Consider entrepreneurial opportunities via programs like the [Queen's Innovation Connector Summer Initiative \(QICSI\)](#).

If interested, apply for an [Undergraduate Student Summer Research Fellowship \(USSRF\)](#).

Consider applying to do a 12-16 month [QUIP internship](#) between your third and fourth year.

Investigate requirements for full-time jobs or other opportunities related to careers of interest.

Assess what experience you're lacking and fill in gaps with volunteering, clubs, or internships – check out the Career Services skills [workshop](#) for help.

GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY

Volunteer on or off-campus with different community organizations like the [United Way](#) and [Kingston Literacy and Skills](#).

Get involved with the Departmental Student Council (DSC). Go to cultural events such as LLCU Film Nights, Language Clubs, guest lectures and [Four Directions programming](#). Volunteering with organizations such as [Kingston and District](#), [Kingston Literacy & Skills](#), or [Immigration Services Kingston and Area \(ISKA\)](#).

Do targeted networking with alumni working in careers of interest by joining the LinkedIn group [Queen's Connects](#). Look for research opportunities within the department and consider participating at a conference such as at [Inquiry@Queen's](#) or volunteer with [The Hispanic Canadian Arts and Cultural Association](#).

Consider joining professional associations like The Association of Translators and Interpreters of Ontario, The Canadian Association of Second Language Teachers, or the [Latin American Studies Association](#).

GET THINKING GLOBALLY

Take LLCU 111: Introduction to Cultures. Prepare for work or studies in a multi-cultural environment by taking QUIC's [Intercultural Awareness Certificate](#), and research possible immigration regulations.

Speak to a QUIC advisor to get involved in their programs, events, and training opportunities.

Build your intercultural competence by getting involved with other cultures or by practicing or improving your language skills. Stop by QUIC for ideas to go abroad, volunteer at [QUIC](#) or attend one of their events.

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Apply for the [Semester in Shanghai program](#) at Fudan University.

Start thinking about work or further studies abroad, such as [North American Language and Culture Assistants in Spain](#).

GET READY FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION

Grappling with program decisions? Go to [Majors Night](#) or get some help wondering about career options from Career Services.

Build your transferable skills in time management, problem-solving, writing and more with [Student Academic Success Services](#).

Explore different careers of interest by reading books in the Career Services Information Area, such as [Careers for Culture Lovers](#). For more information check out [Career Cruising](#) or by finding and connecting with alumni on [LinkedIn](#).

Start focusing on areas of interest. Research education requirements for careers of interest. If needed, prepare to take any required tests (like the LSAT or GMAT) and get [help thinking about Grad School](#) from Career Services.

Apply to jobs or future education, or make plans for other adventures. Get help from Career Services with [job searching](#), [resumes](#), [interviews](#), [Grad School applications](#), or other decisions.

CONSIDER A 12-16 MONTH QUIP INTERNSHIP

What will I learn?

A degree in Hispanic Studies can equip you with:

- Fluency or near-fluency in Spanish
- Knowledge of the syntax, grammar and vocabulary of the Spanish language
- Translation skills to translate documents from Spanish into English
- Oral and written communication to write papers and give presentations in Spanish
- Ability to work in groups in Spanish
- Knowledge and understanding of the diverse Hispanic world
- Knowledge of the literary traditions and historical understanding of the cultures of Spain and Spanish America
- Resource and time management working on multiple projects

Where can I go?

A degree in Hispanic Studies can take your career in many directions. Many students choose to continue their academic inquiry with a Master's. Our students are equipped with a strong foundation for careers in:

- Civil service
- Counselling
- Diplomatic Service
- Hospitality and Tourism
- Immigration services
- Public Relations
- Teaching and Curriculum development
- Translation

Taking time to explore career options, build experience and network can help you have a smooth transition to the world of work after graduation.

How to use this map

Use the 5 rows of the map to explore possibilities and plan for success in the five overlapping areas of career and academics. The map just offers suggestions – you don't have to do it all! To make your own custom map, use the My [Major Map](#) tool.

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Get started thinking about the future now – where do you want to go after your degree? Having tentative goals (like careers or grad school) while working through your degree can help with short-term decisions about courses and experiences, but also help you keep motivated for success.

Get the help you need

Queen's provides you with a broad range of support services from your first point of contact with the university through to graduation. At Queen's, you are never alone. We have many offices dedicated to helping you learn, think and do.

Ranging from help with academics and careers, to physical, emotional, or spiritual resources – our welcoming living and learning environment offers the programs and services you need to be successful, both academically and personally. Queen's wants you to succeed! Check out the [Student Affairs website](#) for available resources.

QUIP QUEEN'S UNDERGRADUATE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

START DATES
in May, September,
or January

POSITIONS
are paid and
full-time

WORK TERMS
are 12-16 months
long

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Graduate with "Professional Internship" on your degree.
- Learn about current advances, practices and technologies in business and industry.
- Test drive a career, earn a competitive salary, and get real world experience.

ELIGIBILITY

- 2nd or 3rd Year Students
- Minimum GPA of 1.9

WHY QUIP?

- Gain a year of career-related work experience.
- Build network connections.
- Receive support from Queen's staff in job search and during internship.

SAMPLE PAST INTERNSHIPS



For more information, contact quip@queensu.ca or visit the [Program Website](#).

Why study in Kingston?

For 175 years, our community has been more than a collection of bright minds – Queen's has attracted students with an ambitious spirit. Queen's has the highest retention rates, the highest graduation rates, and one of the highest employment rates among recent graduates. We are a research intensive university focused on the undergraduate experience. The BBC has identified Kingston as one of the GREATEST UNIVERSITY TOWNS in the world – and it is often awarded the safest city in Canada. It is a university city at the core; just a quick drive to Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and even New York. A university with more clubs per capita than any other university in Canada, and a city with more restaurants per capita than any other city in North America – you will have the experience of a lifetime at Queen's – and graduate with a degree that is globally recognized among the best.

We're closer than you think.



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