

# Virginia Commonwealth University Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Language with a concentration in Spanish

TRANSFER GUIDE  
Catalog Years: 2025-2027

Associate Transfer Degree Plan in World Languages

## COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Complete at VCCS				Complete at		
BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT		SATISFIED BY		BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT		
Course	Credits	CC Course	Notes	Course	Credits	Notes
UNIV 101	1-2	SDV 100 or 101		WRLD 302	3	
UNIV 111-112	3	ENG 111 College Comp I	UNIV 111 is waived and students receive 3 credits for UNIV 112.	WRLD 490	3	
UNIV 200	3	ENG 112 College Comp II		SPAN 300	3	
General Education	3	Any UCGS Art or Humanities (Block II)	These two courses must come from two different disciplines.	SPAN 301	3	
General Education	3	Any UCGS Art, Humanities, or Literature (Block II)		SPAN 320 or 321	3	
General Education	3	Any UCGS Social & Behavioral Science (Block III)		SPAN 330 or 331	3	
General Education	3	Any UCGS History (Block VI)		SPAN 305 or 307 or 311	3	
General Education	4	Any UCGS Natural Sciences (Block IV)		SPAN ELECTIVES (300- or 400-LEVEL)	6	
General Education	3-4	Any UCGS Math (Block V)		SPAN ELECTIVES (400-LEVEL)	6	May include up to three credits of FRLG 493, SETI 400, SETI 410 or SETI 420.
SPCH 121 or SPCH 221	3	CST 100 or CST 110		WRLD 495	0	World ePass Portfolio.
General Education	3	Any UCGS course		Experiential learning requirements	0-3	Select from: major-specific service-learning course; study abroad program, or internship opportunity.
SPAN 101	4	SPA 101		Electives	24-27	Discuss course options with your VCU advisor. Consider a minor. Students must complete a total

						of 45 upper-level credits to graduate.
SPAN 102	4	SPA 102				
SPAN 201	3	SPA 201 or 205				
SPAN 202	3	SPA 202 or 206	A score of 3 on the AP Spanish exam will result in 3 credits for SPAN 202.			
Electives	12-14		Choose 3-4 elective courses (12-14 credits), based on student's interests and/or possible minors at VCU.			
CREDITS PRE-TRANSFER: 60				CREDITS POST-TRANSFER: 60		

## TRANSFER GUIDANCE

**This degree program is covered by VCU's Guaranteed Admission Agreement.**

**By meeting the following criteria, you are guaranteed admission to the BA in Foreign Languages program at VCU:**

- Earn the transfer associate degree.
- Earn a minimum GPA of 2.5 for your associate degree. VCU will recognize the cumulative GPA as recorded on the VCCS transcript and not recalculate based on multiple course attempts.
- Complete a minimum of 30 credits at VCCS institution
- Earn grades of "C" or higher in all community college courses.

### IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES:

- **University Transfer Center:** <https://transfer.vcu.edu/>.
- **Register Intent to Transfer:** <https://ugradadmissions.vcu.edu/register/letterofinterest>.
- **Admission Application:** By March 15 for fall admission and November 1 for spring at <https://www.vcu.edu/admissions/apply/>.
- **Financial Aid:** <https://semss.vcu.edu/our-services/financial-resources-and-guidance/>.
- **FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid:** March 1 for fall semester at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>.

### WHAT SHOULD I CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING COURSES?

- Complete your English courses and start your language sequence in your first year.
- Create a schedule for all required courses, pay attention to prerequisites and when courses are offered. For help, see Transfer Steps and Resource Center at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org).
- Connect with an advisor at your community college and the VCU Transfer Center within your first semester through your account at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org).

### IS THIS DEGREE RIGHT FOR ME?

The B.A. in Foreign Language encourages students to develop and utilize their abilities to communicate in different languages and to understand the powerful role that language and culture play in shaping every aspect of society. The Foreign Language curriculum places particular emphasis on the study of language as spoken in and shaped by everyday contexts, including work, rest, and recreation, and in and through popular film, music, and media. A degree in Foreign Language offers students opportunities to engage in real world learning through internships, lab-based and field research, and study abroad programs. Furthermore, languages go with every major, minor or academic program, because pretty much everything we do involves communication with other people across languages, cultures, and professions.

### WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON MY DEGREE OF WORK I HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED?

- **Associate Transfer Degree Completion:** The completion of a transfer associate degree results in all lower-division general education requirements being met when you transfer to VCU.
- **Dual Enrollment – Completion of Associate Degree in HS:** The completion of an associate degree concurrent with high school results in 60 credits of coursework applied towards your degree and VCU's general education courses will be satisfied. High school students must apply to VCU as freshman applicants for orientation and engagement purposes.
- **Credit for Prior Learning:** VCU accepts AP, IB, Cambridge, CLEP, DANTES, and military credits.
- **Catalog Year:** VCU will honor the degree requirements of the VCU Undergraduate Bulletin in effect at the time of the student's first post-high school enrollment into an appropriate associate degree at the two-year institution. Students must stay enrolled at their community college and take no more than four years to complete their associate degree. Students must also enroll at VCU within one year of completing their associate degree.

### IS THIS COLLEGE RIGHT FOR ME?

- Located in downtown Richmond, within two hours of the beach, the mountains and Washington DC, VCU provides top-ranked academic programs, research opportunities and an urban setting so students can live and learn in the real world.

- VCU is a large, public research institution dedicated to the success and well-being of students and the Richmond community.
- Diversity, inclusion and equity are deeply ingrained core values at VCU. If you are looking to connect with a broad range of people, come join us!

Learn more about our college at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org).

#### DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- Completing your associate transfer degree satisfies all lower division general education requirements and increases the likelihood you will complete your bachelor's degree?
- Exceeding 3 years or 90 credits at your community college could exhaust your financial aid there and reduce your future financial aid at VCU?

#### WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS DEGREE?

Explore possible careers, salaries, and job outlook at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org).

#### PROGRAM SUCCESSES & HIGHLIGHTS

Foreign Language majors routinely earn Fulbright English Teaching Assistantships or spend a year teaching English with the Teaching Assistant Program in France. Spanish majors and Spanish/English Translation and Interpretation students are regularly placed with the Department of Health and Virginia's Judicial System. The French Film Festival, with its internships and REAL experiential learning in subtitling, puts VCU students in touch with Francophone filmmakers and artists for immediate and lifelong collaborations.

#### WHAT ARE MY CHANCES FOR GETTING ACCEPTED?

If you apply through general application instead of through the Guaranteed Admission Agreement, you will be considered for admission with all other transfer applicants.

Learn more about applying at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org).

#### DO MORE WITH YOUR DEGREE!

VCU language majors have several exciting opportunities. For those who major in Foreign Languages with teaching in mind, the School of Education minor in teaching and learning offers provisional certification for teaching Foreign Language in Virginia (and 33 other states!). There is also an accelerated Masters program where French is coupled with a Masters in International Marketing in the VCU School of Business. VCU offers excellent opportunities to extend your knowledge of the diverse world by going on Study Abroad programs around the world, or by taking the Italian language and Less Commonly Taught languages such as Arabic, Chinese and Russian. We also offer minors in Italian, Russian studies and Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies.

#### OTHER THAN CLASSES, ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS?

All students must complete at least one VCU "REAL" experiential learning activity in order to graduate from VCU. Examples of REAL activities include: internships, research, and service learning. This requirement may be satisfied by completing a 300-level (or higher) REAL course or through an approved REAL co-curricular experience.

Learn more at <https://real.vcu.edu/>.