

SPANISH, PHD

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Please consult the table below for key information about this degree program's admissions requirements. The program may have more detailed admissions requirements, which can be found below the table or on the program's website.

Graduate admissions is a two-step process between academic programs and the Graduate School. **Applicants must meet the minimum requirements (<https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/requirements/>) of the Graduate School as well as the program(s).** Once you have researched the graduate program(s) you are interested in, apply online (<https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/>).

Requirements	Detail
Fall Deadline	January 5
Spring Deadline	The program does not admit in the spring.
Summer Deadline	The program does not admit in the summer.
GRE (Graduate Record Examinations)	Not required.
English Proficiency Test	Every applicant whose native language is not English, or whose undergraduate instruction was not exclusively in English, must provide an English proficiency test score earned within two years of the anticipated term of enrollment. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Requirements for Admission policy: https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1241 (https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1241/).
Other Test(s) (e.g., GMAT, MCAT)	n/a
Letters of Recommendation Required	3

MA students in Spanish at the University of Wisconsin–Madison are admitted to doctoral studies in this department on the recommendation of the MA examining committee upon successful completion of the PhD qualifying examination.

Applicants with a master's from another institution are admitted to the doctoral program by virtue of their acceptance by the department. A minimum graduate GPA of 3.4 (on a 4.0 scale) is required.

During the registration period, the student will be asked to supply supplementary information regarding courses taken previously, experience abroad, scope of readings in Spanish and Spanish American literatures, and preparation in linguistics.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION FOR PHD APPLICATIONS

- Unofficial transcripts from all universities attended need to be uploaded to the application. Certified English translations should accompany all non-English transcripts.
- International degree-seeking applicants must prove English proficiency using the Graduate School's requirements (<https://grad.wisc.edu/apply/requirements/>).
- Reason for Graduate Study/Statement of Purpose: What are your reasons for graduate study? Describe your current degree goals and your reasons for selecting your program(s). Your statement can be either in English or Spanish. It should not exceed three single-spaced pages, or the equivalent when double-spaced.
- A writing sample in Spanish (e.g., term-paper length). It should be eight to ten pages. The topic should be as close as possible to the field you wish to specialize in for the PhD thesis.

All materials must be received electronically to the Department of Spanish and Portuguese by the fall deadline.

- Three letters of recommendation are required for all graduate student applicants, using the Graduate School's online application.