

# URBAN EDUCATION WITH A SPECIALIZATION IN WORLD LANGUAGES (SPANISH), M.A.

New Jersey City University’s Master of Arts in Urban Education with a specialization in World Languages (Spanish) is a comprehensive preparation program for world language teachers of Spanish that includes strong components in methodology, linguistics, Spanish language and the culture of the Spanish-speaking world.

The program consists of 12 credits in Spanish Language and Culture and 24 credits in Second Language Acquisition and Methodology. After completion of these 36 credits, students will be awarded an “M.A. in Urban Education” degree with a specialization in World Languages. The program includes the course Second Language Methodology I, required by the New Jersey State Department of Education for World Language Certification. Twenty-four credits will be recognized by the New Jersey State Department of Education towards Spanish Certification.

The program is aligned with the Interstate New Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium (INTASC) Standards for beginning world languages teachers developed in collaboration with the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL), and the New Jersey Professional Standards for Teachers.

The goal of this graduate-level teacher preparation program is to develop teacher leaders with a high level of Spanish proficiency, a knowledge and appreciation of languages and cultures, strong pedagogical preparation in second language acquisition theory and methodology, and an understanding of action research.

**THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO THIS CONCENTRATION ARE:**

- A minimum cumulative undergraduate grade point average (CGPA) of 3.0.
- A minimum of B- or better on all education courses
- Passing scores on the Praxis CORE, or 560 verbal, 540 Math on the SAT, or 23 or higher on the ACT, or 155 verbal, 156 quantitative on the GRE.

Passing scores on the Praxis CORE Academic Skills for Educators Tests, as of 9/1/15:

- Math Test #5732     Passing Score 150
- Reading Test #5712     Passing Score 156
- Writing Test #5722     Passing Score 162

For more information on Praxis exams: <https://www.ets.org/praxis/nj/requirements>.

**Entrance Requirements:**

- Official Transcript with a minimum CGPA of 3.0
- Oral Proficiency Interview (Spanish) -Minimum Score -Advanced Low
- Passing Score-Spanish PRAXIS
- Two letters of recommendation
- Essay

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Required Courses:</b>		
<b>Methodology and Linguistics</b>		<b>24</b>
LANG 510	Second Language Methodology I	3
LANG 610	Second Language Methodology II	3
LANG 611	Assessment in the Second Language Classroom	3
LANG 615	Action Research Project in the Second Language Classroom-Masters Thesis	3
LANG 616	Action Research Project in the Second Language Classroom Masters Theses	3
MCC 603	Applied Linguistics with Emphasis on Second Language Experience	3
MCC 627	Historica & Cultural Background of Limited English Proficient Students	3
EDTC 633	Technology and Methods in the World Languages Curriculum	3
<b>Language and Culture</b>		<b>12</b>
LANG 602	Advanced Spanish Grammar and Linguistics	3
LANG 603	Integrating Spanish Children’s Literature in the Second Lang Classroom	3
Select six credits from the following courses:		3
ART 622	Art of Latin America	3
ART 630	Art of Spain	3
LANG 621	Latin American Music	3
<b>Total Credits 36</b>		<b>36</b>

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Course	Title	Credits
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>Semester 1</b>		
LANG 510	Second Language Methodology I	3
LANG 603	Integrating Spanish Children's Literature in the Second Lang Classroom	3
MCC 627	Historica & Cultural Background of Limited English Proficient Students	3
		Credits
		9
<b>Semester 2</b>		
LANG 610	Second Language Methodology II	3
LANG 611	Assessment in the Second Language Classroom	3
MCC 603	Applied Linguistics with Emphasis on Second Language Experience	3
		Credits
		9
<b>Summer 1</b>		
EDTC 633	Technology and Methods in the World Languages Curriculum	3

LANG 602	Advanced Spanish Grammar and Linguistics	3
Credits		6
<b>Second Year</b>		
<b>Semester 1</b>		
ART 622 or LANG 622	Art of Latin America or The Music of Spain: Selected Areas from the Art and Popular Traditions	3
LANG 615	Action Research Project in the Second Language Classroom-Masters Thesis	3
Credits		6
<b>Semester 2</b>		
LANG 621 or LANG 622	Latin American Music or The Music of Spain: Selected Areas from the Art and Popular Traditions	3
LANG 616	Action Research Project in the Second Language Classroom Masters Theses	3
Credits		6
Total Credits		36