The Department of World Languages and Literatures offers a Certificate in Professional Spanish. This program is intended for students who wish to gain targeted, advanced training in professional Spanish contexts without having to complete the full major or minor in Spanish, as well as for those who wish to include the certificate as part of their major or minor. Students in the certificate program will broaden the scope of their scholastic mastery and develop/refine their professional skills, thereby increasing their likelihood of obtaining favorable employment related to their area(s) of expertise. The program will significantly expand student access to advanced coursework in professional Spanish.

The certificate requires nine semester credit hours of advanced Spanish coursework preceded by up to four lower-division prerequisite courses —between zero and 14 credit hours—or testing equivalency with credit optional. While all undergraduate students may pursue this certificate, it is primarily designed to benefit our many bilingual and heritage speakers of Spanish, who routinely test out of all 14 lower-division Spanish credit hours, and our students who will complete (or test out of) most or all lower-division Spanish courses for the foreign language requirement of all Texas State BA degrees

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
Testing equivalency or the following:		0-14
SPAN 1410 & SPAN 1420 & SPAN 2310 & SPAN 2320	Beginning Spanish I and Beginning Spanish II and Intermediate Spanish I and Intermediate Spanish II	
SPAN 3307	Advanced Composition for Spanish Heritage Speakers	3
or SPAN 3308	Advanced Composition	
Choose 6 hours from the following:		6
SPAN 3311	Business Spanish I	
or SPAN 331 Business Spanish II		
SPAN 3313	Spanish and Media	
SPAN 3314	Translation Practice and Theory	
SPAN 3315	Spanish for Health Professions	
SPAN 4300	Professional Internship in Spanish	
Total Hours		9-23

Students interested in pursuing the certificate program should contact the Chair of World Languages & Literatures to discuss testing options for prerequisite coursework in Centennial Hall 214 or visit the Department website at www.worldlang.txst.edu (http://mycatalog.txstate.edu/ undergraduate/liberal-arts/world-languages-literatures/professionalspanish-certificate/www.worldlang.txst.edu).