MASTER OF ARTS in Spanish

ABOUT THE M.A. IN SPANISH
The 33-credit graduate program in Spanish offers comprehensive and advanced study in the literature, language, and culture of Spain and Latin America. Courses are taught entirely in Spanish by internationally renowned experts in their fields. Students may choose a thesis or nonthesis track for the program. Opportunities are available for students to study abroad in Spain and Argentina, as well as to secure Spanish-speaking internships in New York City and abroad.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH AN M.A. IN SPANISH?
Graduates who have studied Spanish at the master’s level will be able to compete for a variety of jobs that require knowledge of Spanish language and culture. The publishing industry offers many opportunities, as does the field of education, where there is a great need for Spanish teachers at all levels. The program at St. John’s prepares students for these careers as well as doctoral study in Spanish and nonacademic positions in business and international trade, tourism, and hotel and restaurant management.

Recent alumni of the Spanish graduate program at St. John’s have secured the following positions:
- Teacher at the United Nations International School
- Founder and director of a language school
- Journalist at a foreign language publication
- Interpreter and translator for a government agency

MESSAGE FROM THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR
Knowing Spanish, the language spoken by over 48 million people in the United States, is excellent preparation for success in any profession in today’s global society. We offer a metropolitan and multicultural graduate study program aimed at developing analytical skills and an interest in creative writing. Students learn about textual analysis through a focus on current and traditional Hispanic literary and scholarly texts. They are also exposed to visual arts, journalism, and early Spanish manuscripts.

Marie-Lise Gazarian, Ph.D.
Professor and Graduate Director, Spanish
gazariam@stjohns.edu
RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Students in the graduate Spanish program benefit from the mentorship of distinguished faculty and from summer seminar opportunities to build portfolios and networks in Argentina and Spain. They may also participate in Entre Rascacielos, the literary journal of creative writing founded by Epsilon Kappa, St. John’s University’s chapter of Sigma Delta Pi, the National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society.

Students in the M.A. Spanish program have landed internships at prestigious institutions such as the Instituto Cervantes and consulates of Spanish-speaking countries. These experiences allow students to build portfolios and networks in preparation for postgraduate academic and career pursuits.

ASSISTANTSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FINANCIAL AID

The University awards a limited number of research assistantships to highly qualified students each year. These positions provide tuition remission and/or a stipend. For more information about assistantships, as well as other types of financial aid and scholarship awards, please see the Graduate Bulletin (stjohns.edu/bulletin).

PROGRAM INFORMATION AND APPLICATIONS

Marie-Lise Gazarian, Ph.D., Professor and Director
Graduate Program in Spanish
St. John’s University
8000 Utopia Parkway
Queens, NY 11439
(718) 990-5209
gazariam@stjohns.edu

ADMISSION INFORMATION

Robert Medrano, Director
Office of Graduate Admission
718-990-2790
medranor@stjohns.edu
stjohns.edu/admission/graduate