



Student Achievement 2016

Pass rate: 100% • A*-C Grades: 75%

Any modern language will give you a valuable extra skill to add to your other subjects, and is a definite advantage in today's global job market. You can combine a language with many other subjects at university.

Spanish is the third most spoken language in the world, with approximately 400 million speakers. It is the official language in 20 countries, in Spain and Central and South America, so there are plenty of chances to use Spanish either on holiday or for work purposes.

As part of your studies you will be required to conduct your own research on cultural topics and to take responsibility for your own wider reading. An interest in Spain, its history, politics and culture is essential.

Level: Level 3

College entry to include GCSE Spanish minimum Grade B (please refer to the Entry Requirements section page 24 for further details).

Exam Board: AQA

What will I study?

In the first year, you will study a range of topics including: changes in Spanish society, the world of work, the impact of tourism in Spain, the media, music, festivals and traditions. You will also gain a deeper understanding of grammar and translation skills.

In the second year, you will study a range of topics including: immigration, integration and racism in Spain, the 20th Century history of Spain, including the Spanish Civil War and current political parties. You will study a novel and a film from the Spanish speaking world.

You will also carry out an individual research project on a cultural theme that you are interested in and conduct your own wider reading and enjoy working both independently and in a group.

How will I be assessed?

Paper 1 - Listening, Reading and Translation 50%

Paper 2 - Writing 20%

Paper 3 - Speaking 30%

Where will this course lead me?

Studying Spanish will give you excellent career opportunities and life-long skills in today's global market. Knowledge of another language makes students more employable by standing out from the crowd. Employers value the transferable skills that linguists demonstrate. Spanish is a subject that can be combined with Arts, Business, Law, Science and many other subjects for entry into Higher Education. It prepares you for careers that require good communication skills in a global environment such as business, management, law, engineering, international marketing, teaching and journalism.

What support will I receive?

The department takes pride in the level of support we can give you. You will have a conversation class with a native speaker every week and extra sessions are arranged to help with revision, prior to your exams. Tutors are always on hand to provide help if you need it.

What is the department like?

We are an enthusiastic and dynamic department whose aims is to share our passion for learning languages with students, help them to realise their potential and achieve their goals. Our language lessons are stimulating and enjoyable. We have a dedicated languages classroom with our own IT facilities and a conversation class studio.

Enrichment opportunities

Trips to the Annual Languages Day at Manchester Metropolitan University, an email link with a college in Zaragoza, Spain, regular conversation classes with a native speaker in a friendly atmosphere and a study trip to Spain* are all opportunities we offer to boost both your confidence and language skills.

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