

# SPANISH

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 take one or two languages or 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 across Spain, Central, and South America, so there are plenty of chances to use Spanish in a global context.

## Specific course entry requirements

College entry to include GCSE Spanish minimum grade 6 (please refer to the Entry Requirements section on the college website for further details).

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 Hispanic culture, history and politics is recommended.

## How will I be assessed?

- Paper 1 – Listening, Reading and Translation 50%
- Paper 2 – Essay Writing 20%
- Paper 3 – Speaking 30%

## What will I study?

### In the first, year you will study:

Aspects of Hispanic society

Artistic culture in the Hispanic world, including changes in Spanish society, gender equality, influence, regional identity in Spain, and cultural heritage in the Spanish-speaking world.

You will also gain a deeper understanding of grammar and translation skills.

You will attend speaking sessions to improve your speaking skills.

You will study a Spanish film.

### In the second year, you will study;

Multiculturalism in Hispanic society

Aspects of political life in the Hispanic world, including immigration, integration, and fascism; young people in society and their attitudes towards politics; monarchy, dictatorships, and popular movements.

You will study a novel

You will also carry out an individual research project on a cultural theme of your choice, conduct wider reading, and work both independently and collaboratively.

## Where will this course lead me?

Studying Spanish will give you excellent career opportunities and lifelong 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. Having knowledge of a language will increase your earning potential by 10% to 15%.

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. Furthermore, Spanish A-level is one of the facilitating subjects sought after by the Russell Group, which represents 24 leading UK universities.