

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF SPANISH, ITALIAN & PORTUGUESE
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Distinguished Major Program in Spanish

APPLICATION

Deadline for 2024 graduates: Friday, March 14, 2025

Full Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____
(Local) _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Date of Graduation: _____ Current overall GPA: _____

Current Status: _____
(year, semester)

Please list the courses you have taken that were taught in Spanish. Also, please indicate if any of these courses qualify as seminars. (** A seminar is a 4000-level course of 25 or fewer students with a writing requirement of at least 3000 words.*)

Courses taken in Spanish	Date (Semester & Year)	Grade	Professor	Seminar *
_____	_____	_____	_____	Yes / No
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Courses taken in Spanish	Date (Semester & Year)	Grade	Professor	Seminar *
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Have you written a research paper while a student at UVA? If so, please describe the topic, length of the paper, and the type of research materials used.

Name of a Professor of Spanish who is supporting your application: _____

Please submit this form with:

1. A brief description of the proposed topic and area of your thesis. Indicate whether you have identified a faculty member to direct this thesis.
2. A writing sample in Spanish of approximately 600 words. It can be a paper from a course or an essay written especially for this application.
3. An unofficial advising transcript.

In addition:

- Request that your sponsoring professor send Professor Fernando Valverde a letter of recommendation. You should give this professor the form for the letter of recommendation (see below)

Your signature: _____ Date: _____

This form should be returned to the DMP Advisor. Please include a copy of your current (unofficial) transcript.

Professor Fernando Valverde, DMP Advisor

fv7vh@virginia.edu

or:

**Department of Spanish, Italian & Portuguese
444 New Cabell Hall**

Please give this form to the professor writing your recommendation.

Letter of Recommendation for the Distinguished Majors Program in Spanish.

The following student is applying to the Distinguished Majors Program in Spanish at the University of Virginia and has indicated that you would be willing to direct his/her thesis. A description of the DMP can be found on the departmental Web page.

DMP theses are generally at least thirty double-spaced pages and written in Spanish. In your letter, please indicate whether:

- the student's written Spanish is adequate for writing an extended research paper.
- the student's oral and aural skills in Spanish are adequate for participation in a 5000-level course.
- the student has the requisite time-management skills for undertaking a long-term project. In your experience, has the student has completed assignments on time?

Please e-mail letter to:

Professor Fernando Valverde, DMP Advisor
fv7vh@virginia.edu