Invest in your Career: Reasons to major/minor in Hispanic Studies (Spanish)

❖ Spanish is the fastest growing language in the USA; 470 million native Spanish speakers.
❖ To improve your employment potential.
❖ To communicate across cultures and increase your global understanding.
❖ To improve chances of entry into college or graduate school.
❖ To increase your native language ability and sharpen cognitive and life skills.
❖ To unlock a world of travel destinations and study abroad experiences.
❖ To complete in the international market.

What can you do with a degree in languages?

Spanish is essential for specific professions, such as...

doctor, nurse, lawyer, judge, police officer, FBI agent, customs official, court interpreter, staff member of a foreign embassy, hotel manager, anthropologist, linguist, flight attendant, international correspondent, teacher, foreign travel advisor, announcer (radio, TV), foreign export marketer, writer (technical), foreign exchange program director, tour guide, translator, interpreter, art historian, social worker, community relations and services, publishing house representative or editor, booking agent, flight attendant, immigration official, intelligence specialist, training instructor, military officer, architect, employment interviewer, biographer, foreign correspondent, importer, international relations, interviewer and claims adjuster, graduate student, translation/interpretation for film-makers.

Why a degree from the Department of Modern Foreign Languages & Literatures (MFLL) at the University of Tennessee?

Students that study Spanish experience a broad spectrum of opportunities to use Spanish, make friends and create communities of practice, such as...
❖ Sigma Delta Pi, the National Spanish Honor Society
❖ Spanish Club
❖ weekly Spanish Tertulia (informal conversation with students and faculty)
❖ Spanish immersion day, where students spend an entire day speaking Spanish, playing games in Spanish, watching Spanish films, cooking traditional Spanish cuisine, etc.

Every semester MFLL hosts:
❖ a soccer competition
❖ a talent show where the different languages engage in a friendly and fun competition.
Study Abroad Opportunities:
❖ Summer service learning course in Costa Rica
❖ UT faculty-led summer programs in Alicante and Santander, Spain
❖ Other programs all over the world

Scholarships for study abroad:
Kirkland Award: $500-1000 for semester-long study abroad, Hispanic studies only
Mossman Scholars: $5000.00 for semester or year-long study abroad

Majors, Double Majors, Minors...
can make progress toward their degrees because core courses are offered every semester or every year. Our classes are smaller, relatively speaking, so that students get the attention they need.

Hispanic Studies (Spanish) students take interesting and intriguing courses, such as...
❖ Hispanic Culture Through Film
❖ Literary & Artistic Movements in the Hispanic World
❖ Bilingualism & Multilingualism in the Spanish-speaking World
❖ Language & Culture in the Hispanic Business World
❖ Images of Women in Hispanic Literature
❖ Race & Ethnicity & Nation in Hispanic Literature
❖ Spanish phonetics
❖ Introduction to Hispanic Linguistics
❖ Courses associated with Interdisciplinary programs, such as... Linguistics, Cinema Studies, Global Studies, Latin American and Caribbean Studies.

Hispanic Studies Faculty
The faculty in the Spanish section consists of prominent researchers and instructors dedicated to their students.

Major in Language & World Business
This major allows students to obtain a B.A. degree by completing a special major in Arabic, Chinese, French and Francophone Studies, German, Hispanics Studies, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, or Russian with a professional emphasis in International Business, International Retail Merchandising, or International Agricultural Economics.

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