

SPAN 4960 Senior Inquiry: Research Paper (0 credits)

INSTRUCTIONS

This form is intended for a student who chooses the option of the Senior Inquiry Research paper rather than taking an extra 3-credit-hour class to complete his/her Spanish Major requirements.

Both the student's Senior Inquiry Research Paper Mentor (not necessarily his/her earlier assigned Major Mentor) and the student must sign this form. A copy of it is to be forwarded to the student's official Major Mentor.

Senior Inquiry Research paper requirements:

1. Students must notify both the Senior Inquiry Research Paper Mentor and the Spanish Major Mentor before completing registration in SPAN 4960. A student is to register in the section of SPAN 4960 that shows his or her Senior Inquiry Research Paper Mentor as the instructor. Both the student and the mentor must sign a contract specifying the timetable for the completion of the paper.
2. The student's research project must be approved and supervised by the student's Senior Inquiry Research Paper Mentor (professor in the Spanish Division). To qualify for completion of the Senior Inquiry Requirement, a final research paper is to be submitted to both the Senior Inquiry Research Paper Mentor and the student's Spanish Major Mentor. The research paper should be at least 12 pages long (length determined in consultation with Senior Inquiry Research Paper Mentor).
3. Students whose research is on a literary or cultural topic must follow the MLA format. Research on a linguistic or professional topic should follow APA format. Students should confirm the style they will use with their Senior Inquiry Research Paper Mentor.
4. Students are expected to present their research at the Department's Annual Student Symposium, celebrated each spring. Students whose research is on a literary or cultural topic will present a 4- to 5-page version of the paper. Students whose research is on a linguistic or professional topic will give a 10-minute oral presentation with a visual aid (i.e. PowerPoint or Prezi). The paper or presentation must be approved by the student's Senior Inquiry Research Paper Mentor to qualify for submission to the Symposium.
5. If graduating in the fall, the student will finish his/her Senior Inquiry Research paper the previous spring. Registration for SPAN 4960 will be done, however, in the fall of the student's graduation year.

CONTRACT

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STUDENT _____

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SENIOR INQUIRY RESEARCH PAPER MENTOR

SPANISH MAJOR MENTOR

TITLE OF PAPER

DEADLINE: _____

GRADUATION DATE: _____

1) Supply a brief description or abstract (150-200 words) of the paper and a preliminary bibliography.

2) Add a timetable for completing the paper.

SIGNATURES

STUDENT _____

SENIOR INQUIRY RESEARCH PAPER MENTOR _____

SPANISH MAJOR MENTOR _____

Date contract was signed _____

Date contract was completed _____