



What can I do with a major in... **SPANISH EDUCATION**

The Spanish Education major is designed to prepare students to teach Spanish in grades K-12 in private and public schools. The program leads to Minnesota teacher licensure for World Languages & Cultures for Spanish. Students will spend one semester in Spain, as participants in the Semester in Spain (SIS) program of Trinity Christian College. As an education major, you'll be mentored by professors who will guide and encourage you during your journey toward a degree and teacher licensure, and a classroom of your own!

What types of work are related to this degree?

- Teaching in your area of specialty
- Private tutoring
- Creating/directing educational programs
- Curriculum development
- Instructional design (technology training may be required)
- Textbook editing
- Online education
- Corporate or business training and development
- Children's ministry
- English teaching overseas
- Teacher for US citizenship classes
- Translator or interpreter
- Education or assistance with immigrant populations
- Any work that utilizes your ability to speak a second language

Who employs people with this degree?

- Schools of all kinds-public, private, charter, international, government, residential
- Parks and Recreation departments
- Educational testing companies
- Curriculum/educational publishers
- School district offices
- Educational research firms
- Businesses that work with international populations
- Non-profit organizations
- Universities and colleges
- Employee training programs
- Immigrant resettlement or assistance organizations

More information online at ONETonline.org

Strategies for Success:

- Requirements for certification/licensure vary by state; multiple certifications will increase employability. A master's degree will increase earning potential.
- Be willing to work hard at finding a job and to go where the jobs are.
- Obtain part-time, summer, internship, or volunteer experience with the age group you intend to work with in various settings: pre-schools, daycares, camps, community agencies, adult centers, YMCA's, etc.
- Participate in co-curricular activities and related organizations to broaden skills, interests, and opportunities.
- Identify transferable skills learned in teaching applicable to other careers: written and verbal communication, teaching and instruction, program planning, organization and record keeping, working under pressure and meeting deadlines, motivational skills, creativity, working autonomously, decision-making, problem solving.
- Hone your Spanish speaking, reading, and writing skills, since the ability to communicate in a second language can open many doors.

Professional Associations:

- The American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese
- Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
- Minnesota TESOL (MinneTESOL)
- National Association for Bilingual Education (NABE)
- American Federation of Teachers

- National Education Association
- US Department of Education
- International Reading Association
- American Educational Research Association
- Association for Experiential Education

This information represents possible occupations and strategies for careers with this major. As with any job or career, there may be additional qualifications or experience needed. For more information and options, make an appointment with Career Development or check out our online resources on our website or on the ROCK, Career Development tab.