

DIRECT REGISTRATION

Universidad de Sevilla (www.us.es)

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SCHOOL OF PHILOLOGY (FOREIGN LANGUAGES) (www.siff.us.es)

The Philology School (from the Greek word that means “love for the word,” meaning the language and the literature of a given language) includes the following language and literature departments and majors: **Arabic, Classical, English, French, German, Hispanic, and Italian Philology.**

Please keep in mind that many classes in this School are taught in the foreign language being studied. Therefore, you should have a

strong language background and have a very detailed knowledge of the foreign culture that you are going to study.

The Arabic and Classics Departments offer very interesting content classes (in Spanish) which are very popular among CIEE students. You should, nevertheless, have a strong background in the subject areas: history, religion, mythology, culture, and philosophy.

The Hispanic Language and Literature Department is logically the most popular area of studies among students. It has a large offering of Spanish Language and Linguistic classes, plus Spanish and Latin American Literature courses.

In order to keep up with the language and linguistic classes, it is necessary to have a strong background in both areas. Moreover, the student should be familiar with the concepts that are used in these academic disciplines and should have a high level of Spanish. The Spanish Language classes are aimed at deepening the understanding of the language itself, while linguistics courses have to do with topics as varied as explaining the human capacity for speaking. Do not forget that these classes are designed for Spanish students. If you are interested in taking classes in language/linguistics, we recommend that your major or minor be Spanish. In addition, you should already have taken at least two linguistic courses at your university.

If you want to study literature you should know what you actually want to study. You should keep in mind that you may be at a disadvantage given the fact that the majority of the Spanish students have studied in varying degrees of depth the texts and the different literary periods in high school. Furthermore, these students already have completed their first year of university classes and as a result have a great deal of experience in literary criticism. In order to avoid having great difficulties in these classes your major or minor should be Spanish, you should have taken at least *three* literature classes (excluding the “survey” ones) and, of course, have a high level of Spanish. The genre that you chose is also important. Narrative or prose and theater are always more accessible to the student, while poetry requires having taken specific poetry courses and being familiar with the terms and elements that one needs to undertake a lyrical analysis.

You should also have a background in the historical time frame during which the literary work was written. The time periods include literature of the Middle Ages, the Renaissance and Baroque, the 18th Century, or the Modern Period. You should know something about the time period, major events and characters, aside from having knowledge of the literary works.

The Spanish Language Department also offers some content classes in history, culture and civilization, both of Spain and Latin America. These are designed for language majors, not history majors, making them less specific than classes offered at the History and Geography School. As a result, many of our students who are language majors enjoy taking these classes in the Philology School rather than in the History

School.

SCHOOL OF GEOGRAPHY AND HISTORY (www.fgh-us.com)

There are four degrees offered in this school listed below.



ANTHROPOLOGY

Students interested in taking a class in this department should have taken an anthropology or sociology class beforehand. The professors assume that, like the rest of the Spanish students, you already know the terminology as well as the concepts of each theory that is discussed in each class. Classes belonging to the “second cycle” (which correspond to the 4th and 5th years of study) are especially technical and the professors use specific language for

every topic presented in class. You must have a high level of Spanish to be able to do well in these classes.



HISTORY

A student must be very careful in choosing classes from one historical time period or another. If you are going to take a class in contemporary history, you must have a strong base in modern history. If you are going to study current history, you must have a strong base in contemporary. The distribution of historical periods is as follows:

Modern history starts in the 17th Century up until the French

Revolution (1789.)

Contemporary history begins in 1789 until the XXth Century.

Current history studies the historical context of what is taking place today.

If you are going to take a class in this department, we assume that you have already taken at least two history classes at your university with a grade of B or higher. Keep in mind that the classes of the Second Cycle (4th and 5th year) require an almost bilingual level of Spanish because the language related with the studies is more sophisticated.

The Latin American History Department has a very rich offer of topics related with Latin America—the Catholic Church, Relations within the Americas, Finances, Economy, The City, City Development, etc.

Without a doubt, if you are interested in Latin American studies, it is worth considering the subjects which are offered in the different History departments.



GEOGRAPHY

The geography classes are divided into two branches, human and physical. In the physical branch, the classes have a scientific and mathematical focus. If you want to take a class from this area, you should have a science background, including logarithms.

In the human branch, the classes have a less scientific approach and a more economic one. The divisions are urban, agricultural, population, demographics, territorial order, and development. It is

necessary to have a strong knowledge in advanced microeconomics and advanced macroeconomics to be successful in these classes.



ART HISTORY

The Art History major is recommended to students with a certain background in Universal History or in Spanish History who are interested in the relationship between different historical periods and the artistic creation of a given time period. This department has an ample offering of classes related to the following subjects:

prehistoric, Latin American, medieval, classical, modern, and contemporary topics in Spain as well as in Andalusia, Portugal, Latin

America, and Europe. The Contemporary Cinema class is very popular among CIEE students.



LAW SCHOOL (www.derecho.us.es)

Many of the courses offered are yearlong, making the semester-long class offering rather small. If you have not taken law classes, you should not take any of the non-recommended courses. If you have studied law before arriving in Spain and your Spanish is almost bilingual, you may take any class.



SCHOOL OF WORK SCIENCES

(www.centro.us.es/fct)

This is a new academic discipline in Spanish Universities. The objective of these studies is to provide an adequate education in the theoretical and technical bases of work organization and the management of personal. Students also look at the legal aspects of working and the state social security system. This school offers an interesting variety of law, economics, sociology, psychology, accounting, management, and history classes. Given the interdisciplinary approach of this department, it is recommended to take any of the classes that you find most interesting.

SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION

(www.centro.us.es/fcom)



This School offers three different majors **Journalism, Audiovisual Communication, Publicity and Public Relations**. For the first two years of study, students in all these different majors take the same classes. In the third year of study, the classes are designed exclusively for each major. During the *segundo ciclo* (4th and 5th years,) the focus becomes even more specific and much of the work

is "practical". This means that there are lab classes, group work or special projects to complete outside of class.

An indispensable prerequisite to take any class in the First Cycle is to have a **very high level of Spanish**, especially in the technical language used in these courses. Your major—or at least your minor—should be Communications or something similar in order to take any one of these classes. This means that you must therefore have taken a minimum of 3 courses taken in this subject area with a grade no lower than a B. Moreover, the student has to be prepared to receive a great deal of theoretical information from the professor. In some of the writing classes, it is very important to know the spelling rules of the Spanish language. The professor can fail students for mistakes in spelling, written accents included.



SCHOOL OF PHILOSOPHY

(www.centro.us.es/filosofia)

All of these classes are year-long at the University of Seville, which means that no student can register for a class in February. You must have a high level of Spanish and an ample knowledge of the vocabulary used in this subject matter. The prerequisite is to have taken at least three Philosophy classes and to be familiar with the topics that one must work with in class. These classes are very theoretical and the student should be prepared to attend strictly lecture-type classes.

SCHOOL OF EDUCATIONAL SCIENCES

(www.centro.us.es/fccee)



This school offers the following five-year degrees: **Philosophy and**

Educational Sciences, Pedagogy, and Psycho-Pedagogy. It also offers several three-year degrees in the following fields: **Special Education, Physical Education, Preschool Education, Music Education, Primary Education, and Foreign Language.**

Students who are education majors will find that there is a large variety of classes offered by this school, such as second language methodology classes, intercultural education, biology, educational sociology, etc. In order to study here, you must have taken at least two classes in theory in this subject matter with a grade of B or higher. You will notice that there are few international students in your classes, and it is worth considering this school in your study plans.



SCHOOL OF PSYCHOLOGY

(www.centro.us.es/facpsi)

The major can be divided into four subject areas: **Social Psychology, Evolutionary Psychology, Clinical Psychology, and Basic Psychology.**

In general, semester long third, fourth, and fifth-year courses are recommended (more so than the fourth and fifth-year ones.) The First Cycle classes (1st and 2nd year of study,) normally are very

basic, and their objective is to provide students with a solid theoretical background in psychology. As a result, the classes tend to be very hard. The fourth and fifth year courses are not necessarily “harder”, but they usually are much more appealing in terms of content. All classes in this School have technical and scientific concepts that the professor will want you to master. You should have taken some psychology (theory) course before coming to Seville. **Class attendance is mandatory if you want to pass.**

Almost every class has a lab, which normally means group work in and outside of the laboratory. You may choose your lab section as you so desire according to the times offered, but only if there is free space. The lab classes normally do not start until the fourth or fifth week of the semester.

The grading in the semester-long classes consists of only one final exam that normally counts as 70% of the final grade. The grading of yearlong classes involves an exam over the first and second semester or a midterm and a final exam. The other 30% of the final grade is based on a “final paper” that you will complete based on the results of your lab work. This paper will be done as a group or individually depending on the class and professor. It is very important to speak with the lab professor (who may not be the same one that you have for lecture) **before** turning in your final draft. If you do this, you will be able to get his/her feedback. In some cases, you will be able to write “short papers” on the lab experiments. This could allow you to get up to a point of extra credit in your final grade, depending, of course, on the quality and content of what you produce.

The exams normally consist of 30 to 50 questions that may be multiple-choice (sometimes up to 5 a to e options,) true/false and/or specific questions about a lab experiment. At any rate, the exams are very demanding and the professor will tell you the minimum grade that you need to be able to get a passing final grade in the class. A good grade in lab will not allow you to pass the class if you do not pass the exam nor will a good grade on the exam allow you to pass without getting a passing grade in lab. In other words, you must pass both parts separately, in order to get a passing final grade.



SCHOOL OF BIOLOGY (www.bio.us.es)

We only recommend that those students who are Biology majors and have a good level of Spanish take classes in this school. It is absolutely necessary to apply for admission beforehand. As a result, we have to turn in a copy of your transcript to the department so they can check your background in biology and approve your admission.

If you are interested in taking a class in the School of Biology, you will need to let CIEE Resident Staff know as soon as possible. Once we know you are interested, we can contact the class professors so that you can obtain the necessary permission to enroll. Do not forget that lab classes are mandatory and therefore a very important part of the final grade. Please, contact us so that we can help you select the classes and provide you with their syllabi.



SCHOOL OF PHYSICS (www.centro.us.es/fisica)

Admission is only recommended for Physics majors with a good level of Spanish. Some 1st and 2nd year classes are semester-long, but the majority are yearlong. You may only participate in the 1st and 2nd year classes with a lab if there is a free space. All of the 3rd, 4th, and 5th year classes are semester long. Do not forget that lab classes are mandatory and therefore a very important part of the final grade. Please, contact us so that we can help you select the

classes and provide you with their syllabi.

It is absolutely necessary to obtain the department's permission for all classes and turn in a copy of your transcript so they can check your background in physics and approve your admission. If you are interested in taking a class in this School, you will need to let CIEE Resident Staff know as soon as possible. Once we know you are interested, we can contact the class professors so that you can obtain the necessary permission to enroll.



SCHOOL OF CHEMISTRY (www.centro.us.es/quimica)

Admission is only recommended for Chemistry majors with a high level of Spanish. The new study plan (2001) offers a larger variety of semester-long classes. Some others are yearlong, however, so be careful when selecting them. Do not forget that lab classes are mandatory and therefore a very important part of the final grade.

Please, contact us so that we can help you select the classes and

provide you with their syllabi.

We have to obtain the department's permission for all classes and turn in a copy of your transcript so they can check your background in chemistry and approve your admission. If you are interested in taking a class in the School of Chemistry, you will need to let CIEE Resident Staff know as soon as possible. Once we know you are interested, we can contact the class professors so that you can obtain the necessary permission to enroll.



SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING and COMPUTER SCIENCE

(www.esi.us.es and www.informatica.us.es)

The Engineering School (www.esi.us.es) offers the following degrees: **Telecommunication, Aeronautical, Industrial, Chemical, Industrial Organization, Electronic, Automated and Industrial Electricity Engineering.**

At the Computer Science School (www.informatica.us.es) you may take classes in the following areas of study: **Information Sciences, Management Information Systems, Technical Engineering of Information Systems.**

The essential prerequisite for studying in any of these areas is to be either an engineering major or computer science major. You should also have a superior academic preparation in mathematics as well as a near fluent level of Spanish. Do not forget that lab classes are mandatory and therefore a very important part of the final grade. Please, contact us so that we can help you select the classes and provide you with their syllabi.

The possibility of taking a course in either of these technical schools depends on the department chair. Therefore, if you are interested in taking a class, you need to let

CIEE Resident Staff know as soon as possible. That way, we will be able to contact the class professors so that you can obtain the necessary permission to enroll in any of the classes at either of these schools.



SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS (<http://www.matematicas.us.es/>)

We only recommend that those students who are Mathematics majors and have a good level of Spanish take classes in this school. It is absolutely necessary to apply for admission beforehand. We have to obtain the department's permission for all classes and turn in a copy of your transcript so they can check your background in mathematics and approve your admission.

If you are interested in taking a class in the School of Mathematics, you will need to let CIEE Resident Staff know as soon as possible. Once we know you are interested, we can contact the class professors so that you can obtain the necessary permission to enroll. Do not forget that lab classes are mandatory and therefore a very important part of the final grade. Please, contact us so that we can help you select the classes and find their syllabi.



SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS (www.centro.us.es/fceye)

Students planning to take classes in any of the departments of this School should take the CIEE intensive session class, Spanish for Students of Business and Economics. If you cannot take this class during the intensive session, then please take the same class offered during the regular university session. Trust us!!! This class will help with the technical terminology and vocabulary related to this

field of study in the Spanish language.



Marketing and Investigation

Marketing is a major for which, in the majority of cases, you must have a solid background in statistics and a real business perspective. Moreover, due to the fact that this major starts in the second cycle (corresponding to the 3rd, 4th, or 5th year of studies,) you should have taken at least two or three marketing classes at home prior to coming to Seville. Another requirement is that students have an extensive knowledge of economic and business language in Spanish. In the majority of courses, students are evaluated in two ways: (1) exams which test knowledge of theory usually in multiple choice format and (2) group work having to do with the practical case studies. The final grade is the mathematical average of the exam that covers the theory and the case studies. In other words, it is the average of the exams and group work. To pass the entire class, your grade must be at least a 3 on the exam(s) dealing with theory and a 3 on the practical exercises/case studies. Class attendance is mandatory.



Administration and Business Management

In order to take classes in this department, you should already have a broad knowledge of economic and business language in Spanish. As far as Business Economics classes, you need to have knowledge about Probability Theory and equation systems with one or more variables. In order to take a Finance class, it is essential to have knowledge about finance specific math. It is recommended to take class in the afternoon because in the morning they tend to be full. The classes tend to be lecture-centered and the professors base their explanations on different books in the majority of cases. Therefore, it is not odd to have two or three books for class. The semester-long classes have only one final exam. With the year-long classes, there are two exams during the term and a final.



Economics

In general, a vast knowledge of economic and business language is required in Spanish. In addition, you should have a solid base in differential and inferential calculus and statistics (like probability, statistical inference, and econometrics.) Therefore, if you have a weak math background or have never taken a class in Economics prior to coming to Seville, then you should choose a different subject area. If you are interested in classes with a focus on political economy and international trade, then you should have taken advanced micro and macroeconomics.