**SUBJECT MATTER PROGRAM**

**Program Description**
A working knowledge of Spanish will enable students to communicate with one of America's rapidly growing minority groups, as well as to benefit extensively from travel to foreign countries. Most coursework lends itself to a practical acquisition of the necessary language skills for effective communication.

Coursework at the upper division and graduate level is equally distributed among four areas: linguistics, culture, Peninsular literature, and Hispanic American literature. Students with career plans in teaching, bilingual programs, translation and diplomatic services, as well as careers in public service requiring knowledge of Spanish, will find a balanced curriculum available at Sacramento State. The programs in Spanish also serve those students who plan on continuing their studies at the doctorate level by providing a thorough academic background in the language.

Students interested in Bilingual/Crosscultural programs should also contact the College of Education (916) 278-6840 for more details.

Many students find that the acquisition of skills in Spanish is a valuable adjunct to their career goals in other areas such as business administration, public administration, international relations, etc.

**Program Requirements**
Spanish majors wishing to pursue a Single Subject Teaching Credential in Spanish should contact the Spanish credential advisor to have their transcript reviewed for courses currently required for the credential program and then have single subject competency assessed. Specific course requirements are the same as for the BA in Spanish plus successful completion of a proficiency examination in Spanish. The Single Subject Credential in Spanish is valid for teaching Spanish in grades K-12.

Teaching credential candidates must also complete the Professional Education Program in addition to other requirements for a teaching credential. Consult the department credential advisor for details. You may also obtain information about the Professional Education Program from the Teacher Preparation Credentialing Office, Eureka Hall 216, (916) 278-6403.