# 2024-2025 Assessment Plans and Reports MA in Teaching in Spanish - MA-MATS

Academic year 2024-2025

MA in Teaching in Spanish - MA-MATS Learning Outcomes

Oral communication and Research/ Final Porfolio MET

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MEASURES	RESULTS	ACTIONS
Final Oral exam	No results have been added.	No actions have been added.
The MA faculty committee will evaluate the portfolio and assess the student's oral exam. The committee will ask specific questions about the student's presentation and apply the rubric. Students will demonstrate acceptable proficiency in Spanish and knowledge of teaching methods in a final oral presentation of their final portfolio.  Direct - Portfolio  Special Topics in Teaching: SPAN 5390  Target  Target: We expect that 80% of the graduate theses and essays will be evaluated		
"proficient" or "exemplary" throughout oral examination.		

#### FINAL RESEARCH ORAL PRESENTATION

1 (50%) out of 2(100%) students evaluated in the final research and oral exam met exemplary or exceeded scores(100% or 4 points of the rubric) and provided wellorganized, articulated, and genuinely informative responses regarding all coursework completed during the final oral examination. The final oral exam committee approved the research and the oral exam. 1(50%) out of 2(100%) students evaluated in the final research and oral exam met a proficient score (86%) or 3.6 out of 4 on the rubric. The student demonstrated an aboveaverage breadth of knowledge in response to questions posed, including the ability to draw in and synthesize a few major secondary critical perspectives. The final oral exam committee approved the research and the oral exam. Exceeded 93%

Not met 0%

Direct - Portfolio

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# Analysis

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#### **Gather Additional Data**

#### COMPLETE

To improve results, we recommend gathering additional data and creating an official final interview for students who graduate from the program.

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"proficient" or "exemplary" throughout the Final Research Oral Examination.	
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# **General Outcome Actions**

#### **ACTIONS**

#### **Revise Measurement / Assessment**

Not Started

We recommend adding a final student interview before the final assessment to improve results.

Recommended Due Date: 05/09/2025

# Critical Thinking and Literary Research MET

In sample essays, written exams, discussions, or journals, students in the MA in teaching Spanish will demonstrate high-level, professional proficiency in using literary or rhetorical techniques associated with the genre. Students will elaborate on at least three essays, practice rhetorical techniques in 7 discussion boards in Spanish, and debate and reflect ideas in 7 journals.

MEASURES	RESULTS	ACTIONS
Research Paper Assigment  Of the 5 students (100%), 4 students (80%) demonstrated superior research skills in making evaluative judgments about the complex arguments presented by various critics on the subject matter.  1 student (20%) exhibited proficient writing skills by effectively synthesizing important biographical, historical, aesthetic, and cultural studies related to the subject matter.  Exceeded 80%  Met 20%  Not met 0  Direct - Assignment  Studies in Hisp Lit in US: SPAN 5380  Target  80% of the students will perform (met) a score of 3 or exceed scores (research paper) according to the rubric. We expect that 80% of the graduate research papers will be judged "proficient" or "exemplary" in literary research and synthesis of research.  MATS Rubrics Research.docx	MET  Analysis  Of the 5 students (100%), 4 students (80%) demonstrated superior research skills in making evaluative judgments about the complex arguments presented by various critics on the subject matter. 1 student (20%) exhibited proficient writing skills by effectively synthesizing important biographical, historical, aesthetic, and cultural studies related to the subject matter. Exceeded 80% Met 20% Not met 0	Revise Measurement / Assessment COMPLETE  To improve future results, we need to update the rubric. The graduate committee will discuss the new descriptions in the fall semester to improve the assessment process.

#### Conclusion

Students elaborated a series of essays and practiced rhetorical techniques such evaluative judgements, analysis and synthesis with the following results:

Exceeded 80% Met 20% Not met 0

#### Written Literary/rhetorical/ Cultural analysis

Students in the MATS will demonstrate a high proficiency in Literary and rhetorical research and synthesis of research in SPAN 5340/SPAN 5330. SPAN 5360 or SPAN 5380 . Students will demonstrate high-level performance in writing style; make use of MLA and APA format, elaborate and synthetized an argument, and application of literary and technical writing techniques, and literary and rhetorical analysis.

MEASURES	RESULTS	ACTIONS
Interviews and Developing Pedagogical Lessons	No results have been added.	No actions have been added.
At the end of the semester, the faculty will assess five informal interviews, and a final project: an oral final presentation of a pedagogical lesson or a video recording interview. Faculty will determine the student proficiency by the 3 to 4 points from the rubric and according to the course outcome. Indirect - Interview  Literatura Espanola: SPAN 5330  Target		
We expect that 80% of the interviews and pedagogical lessons will be evaluated exemplary.		

# Critical Literary Research and Cultural Analysis MET

# Student Learning Outcomes CULTURAL ANALYSIS

MA students in Teaching Spanish will demonstrate acceptable proficiency in the cultural analysis of the Spanish-speaking world in SPAN 5300/SPAN 5340, SPAN 5330 or SPAN 5360. Students will evaluate at least 7 lesson plans with cultural materials and analyze at least eight cultural products, such as textbooks, digital images, novels, and films. Students will answer seven questions in discussion forums and compose one essay.

MEASURES	RESULTS	ACTIONS
Direct Assigment: Lesson plan  Four (80%)out of five (100%) students evaluated in SPAN 5330 attained exemplary (met) or exceeded scores. Students demonstrated an original idea that added to their knowledge of the subject matter. Four students exceeded scores in seven lesson plans.  1 (20%) out of 5 (100%) students evaluated attained proficient (met) scores. Students demonstrated the ability to develop an original point of view from primary and secondary sources. One student was proficient in developing 7 lesson plans.  Direct - Assignment  Literatura Espanola: SPAN 5330  Target	Analysis  Four (80%)out of five (100%) students evaluated in SPAN 5330 attained exemplary (met) or exceeded scores. Students demonstrated an original idea that added to their knowledge of the subject matter. Four students exceeded scores in seven lesson plans.  1 (20%) out of 5 (100%) students evaluated attained proficient (met) scores. Students demonstrated the ability to develop an original point of view from primary and secondary sources. One student was proficient in developing 7 lesson plans.	Revise Benchmark / Target  COMPLETE  We plan edit and propose new bench marks appropriate for the development of lesson plans.  Recommended Due Date: 05/09/2025

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Target: We expect that 85% of the graduate students will score 4 "exemplary" on the rubric throughout the lesson plan design process.	
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# MA in Teaching in Spanish - MA-MATS Success Outcomes

#### Oral communication

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MEASURES	RESULTS	ACTIONS
Exit Survey	No results have been added.	No actions have been added.
Proficiency is determined by an exit survey. Faculty will evaluate the student's responses and determine if the results satisfy each student-learning outcome. Faculty expects students to pass the final oral exam as evidence of a solid and efficient MA program. Indirect - Focus Group		
Target		
80% of the students enrolled in the MATS program will approve the final oral exam and will be able to respond an exit survey.		