



## IEC PROGRAM REVIEW Executive Summary

<b>Academic Year</b>	<b>Program Name:</b>	<u>Spanish</u>
	<b>Date Reviewed:</b>	<u>16/17</u>

### **Major Program Goals:**

### **Concerns/Trends:**

### **Plans for Addressing Concerns:**

### **IEC Recommendations:**

1. Due to unsatisfactory and/or incomplete self-study, IEC cannot make recommendations based on information submitted. Recommend program undergo program review again in 2018-2019 academic year.

## Self-Study Summary: Languages

Gavilan Foreign Language department develops functional language competencies in listening, speaking, reading, and writing while expanding students' cultural understanding. We maintain authentic input as the basis for helping students to develop strategies for listening and reading, skills in speaking and writing, and greater awareness of the Hispanic community. We believe that the program provides the means for the student to establish connections or links with the language as it is used in real contexts, with the functional use of all four skills, and with authentic cultures.

The Gavilan College Foreign Language Program currently offers an AA degree that has been restructured for native and non-native speakers of Spanish. We are almost approved for our AA-t degree in Spanish. Japanese and French are currently offering first year courses.

Gavilan offers a range of fully transferable courses that are comparable to Spanish, Japanese and French programs offered at any of the area community colleges. Our major general education courses include Spanish 1A-Elementary Spanish, Spanish 1B-Elementary Spanish, Spanish 2A- Intermediate Spanish and Spanish 2B-Intermediate Spanish, French 1A, 1B and Japanese 1A, 1B.

In addition to these classes, we also offer conversational classes at night, online classes for native speakers, hybrid and on-line courses and a study abroad program in Spain. Within the next two years, our goal is to start another study abroad program in Argentina or Costa Rica. Japanese and French plan on offering an immersion program in the next three years as well.

The Foreign Language department is comprised of 2 full-time faculty members and 5 to 7 active adjunct faculty. Our courses are offered at all three of Gavilan sites as well as on-line courses.

Some of the latest trends in the state of California include the use of technology. We are very proud at Gavilan College to have some of the best customized software in the state and have received recognition from some of the top Spanish institutions in the world for our online programs. We are developing new classes to incorporate CANVAS which was recently adopted by our college

The Foreign Language program at Gavilan is a vital component to our institution as we provide one of the main languages of the Pacific Rim. Spanish continues to be a vital language in California. Our students are comprised of those needing to fulfill general education, professionals who use it for work, and future Spanish majors. As California continues to grow, we anticipate higher enrollment in our classes which will eventually lead to more class offerings. Japanese and French have been added recently; therefore data is limited.

Our goals for the Spanish program are to:

- Continue to offer Gavilan students' the opportunities to travel abroad and study Spanish in a Spanish Speaking Country.
- Continue to offer the state of the art technology to our students. Students will learn about Spanish speaking countries through educational videos and cultural activities.
- To continue to update, and maintain "GASPAR" the Spanish review software and new software for the student's of Gavilan College.