Spanish BA or Equivalency to be considered for an MA or MAT in Spanish

Thank you for your interest in our program. Our MA program is designed for students who have a BA in Spanish or its equivalency. An equivalency is constituted by 52 credits (32 credits in language, literature, and culture; 8 credits in 400-level courses; 8 electives related to Spanish; and 4 credits in linguistics). At PSU, each course is 4 credits.

Kindly check your own records and see if your transcript(s) reaches the 52 credits for a BA in Spanish or its equivalency at PSU.

Should you not have the number of credits some students decide to take post-baccalaureate courses from our section with the hope that they will reach this equivalency. These students then apply to our program. Taking post-baccalaureate courses is not a guarantee of admission to our graduate programs.

Though you may have travel experience and/or be a native speaker in Spanish, our program seeks candidates who are well versed in Spanish language, literature, and linguistics, and/or pedagogy. We seek candidates who demonstrate a high proficiency of academic writing in Spanish literature, linguistics, and/or pedagogy.

I am including the following website which should address other questions you may have about our graduate programs.


Once again, thank you for your interest in our graduate programs at PSU.