

The Challenge Program

Leodis V. McDaniel High School 2024–25



PSU's Challenge Program

Challenge is a nationally accredited dual credit program offering Portland State University (PSU) college courses at McDaniel. In addition to earning college credit at a greatly discounted rate, Challenge students have access to PSU services, including student ID cards, computer accounts, and the library with its online databases. A 3.0 cumulative GPA is required to participate in Challenge to help ensure students are prepared for the rigor and expectations of a college course.

Registration

Make sure to read the instructions before you begin! There are some differences to the process based on whether you are a new or returning Challenge student.

To get started on your registration, visit:
pdx.edu/challenge-program/challenge-program-registration

Tuition

At \$224.40 per course (or \$51 if you qualify for financial aid), Challenge courses cost a fraction of regular college tuition (which is \$1218 per course on campus this year). It's a great deal! For information on Challenge tuition, visit:
pdx.edu/challenge-program/about-challenge-program

Credit and Credit Transfer

Challenge credit transfers nationally to many institutions and all state universities. For detailed information on Challenge credit and credit transfer, visit:
pdx.edu/challenge-program/credit-and-transcripts

Registration, Drop, and Withdraw Deadlines

FALL REGISTRATION – October 1st Deadline

SPAN 201: 2 nd Year Spanish	Drop: Oct. 21
SPAN 301: 3 rd Year Spanish	Withdraw: Nov. 4

WINTER REGISTRATION – February 18th Deadline

SPAN 202: 2 nd Year Spanish	Drop: March 3
SPAN 302: 3 rd Year Spanish	Withdraw: March 10

SPRING REGISTRATION – April 15th Deadline

SPAN 203: 2 nd Year Spanish	Drop: May 5
SPAN 303: 3 rd Year Spanish	Withdraw: May 19

Dropping a course means there will be no record of the course on the student's college transcript.

Withdrawing will leave the course on the student's college transcript with a grade of "W."

PSU is an affirmative action/equal opportunity institution

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McDaniel Courses 2024–25

Courses Mapped to PSU Quarters

These courses are taught in a sequence of three that aligns with PSU quarters – Fall, Winter, and Spring. Students register and pay three times a year.

Second-Year Spanish

SPAN 201 (4 credits) \$224.40. Rodriguez De Lort. **Register by October 1**

SPAN 202 (4 credits) \$224.40. Rodriguez De Lort. **Register by February 18**

SPAN 203 (4 credits) \$224.40. Rodriguez De Lort. **Register by April 15**

Intensive review of basic materials introduced in First-Year Spanish and further development of communication skills. *Recommended: SPAN 103. Completion of this sequence fulfills the foreign language requirement for a Bachelor of Arts Degree for many institutions.*

Third-Year Spanish

SPAN 301 (4 credits) \$224.40. Rodriguez De Lort. **Register by October 1**

SPAN 302 (4 credits) \$224.40. Rodriguez De Lort. **Register by February 18**

SPAN 303 (4 credits) \$224.40. Rodriguez De Lort. **Register by April 15**

Spanish language study to help develop advanced proficiency. Intensive grammar instruction in preparation for upper division courses in culture, linguistics and literature. Emphasis on speaking, listening comprehension, reading, and writing skills for analysis and research. *It is preferable to take the sequence in order.*

Go to [pdx.edu/challenge-program](https://www.pdx.edu/challenge-program) for online registration