Department of Languages

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Congratulations!

Congratulations to our Spanish major and minor graduates – Amber Teresa Domingue (Spanish major), Michaela Wiseman (Spanish minor) Bianca Moore (Spanish minor) ! They have been awarded the Xavier 40 under 40 award.





Amber Domingue

"I have recently accepted a position as a Research Associate at the Georgia Health Policy Center that I can say would not have been possible without the training I received in the Languages (and Psychology) program at Xavier. The Languages faculty continue to recognize me even after graduation by nominating me for Xavier's 40 Under 40 Award which is truly the highlight of my career. Majoring in Spanish allowed me to explore my interests and find a secure career path. I would encourage all Xavierites, present and future, to take advantage of the exceptional instruction, mentorship, and opportunities offered by and hosted through the Languages Department at Xavier University of Louisiana."

Amber Teresa Domingue, MA BA in Spanish & BS in Psychology Class of 2017 Xula in Costa Rica 2014



Studying Spanish at Xavier, but especially my time in Costa Rica studying abroad, immersed me in the culture and has enhanced my skill set. I believe my biggest take away was not only learning the language and becoming more comfortable with reading and communicating, but also, spending time in another country allowed me to have more of an open mind and appreciation for customs and practices outside of my own. This was my first time traveling outside of the country and it made me eager to travel to other places and explore as well. I have also visited the Spanish speaking country of Cartagena, Colombia and I am hopeful to travel to more in the future! I believe this is invaluable, even as a dentist, because patients come from all walks of life.

Michaela Wiseman, MA BA in Biology Pre Dentistry Minor in Spanish Class of 2017 Xula in Costa Rica 2016



Student Spotlight: Sydney Beasley

Name: Sydney Beasley

Major: Spanish & Computer Science

Minor: Mathematics

Congratulations to French minor, Ayodele Theard-Lewis!

Sydney is studying Spanish abroad in Seville, Spainh.

She shares how learning a second language has helped her achieve her goals:

This semester, I am studying abroad in Seville, Spain. I can honestly say that this has been one of the best experiences of my life! I have met so many amazing people, traveled to beautiful cities, and learned so much about Spanish culture through exciting courses. With this being my first time traveling outside of North America, I never realized how diverse Spain is. In large cities, such as Seville, Madrid, and Barcelona, I am able to gain exposure to people from all over the world.

In addition to great course options, study abroad programs are very accommodating regarding travel. So far, the cities in Spain that I have visited are Granada, Cádiz, Córdoba, Madrid, Barcelona, Ronda, Toledo, and Zaragoza. I have also seen many famous monuments such as the Sagrada Familia, the Alhambra, and the Giralda. I have learned so much by living like a local in Seville and have thoroughly enjoyed my study abroad experience so far. I would encourage anyone who is considering studying abroad to go for it!



Campus Events

El Corazón Cubano: Celebrating the African Heartbeat of Cuba

The event was a collaborative effort to explore the African influences in Cuban culture through interactive language, dance and percussion classes. Xavier Professors Sakinah Davis and Carmen Luz Cosme Puntiel along with members of the community such as Adrea Peoples (Afro-Cuban Dance Instructor), Bell Summers (Lukumí Grammy-Nominated Percussionist) introduced student to the main characteristics of the Spanish spoken in Cuba, the Oshun and Changó dances, and the Afro-rhythms of the Aña drummings. The celebration was Xavier's chorus of pride and love to the African Diaspora.



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French Conversation Table

Tables de conversation en français



FRENCH: DON'T LEAVE XAVIER WITHOUT IT!

Dr. Hicham Mazouz, *Instructor* hmazouz@xula.edu



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French tutoring

Tuteurs de français





THE DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES Presents

The French Tutoring Program

Xavier Library 1st Floor Computer Lab

Monday: 10-11am (Satiya)and from 3-5 pm (Chloé) Wednesday: 1-2 pm (Chloé) Thursday: 10 -11 am (Yvonne) Friday: 11:20am-12:20pm (Satiya)

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XULA in Costa Rica Summer 2022







Program Details

Location: San José, Costa Rica

Dates: June 4, 2022 – July 2, 2022

Eligibility Requirements: 18 years old; minimum 2.6 GPA

Included: pre- departure orientation, orientation upon arrival, airport pick up, 2 meals per

day, day excursions, volunteer opportunities, Medical Spanish course, cultural evening

classes (cooking, salsa dance, etc), Language conversation exchange

Partner organization and university: CEA, VERITAS university

Questions? Please contact gfarudi@xula.edu or kwlee@xula.edu

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Future Health

Professionals

Are you looking for a program to boost your professional credentials?

Spanish for Health Professionals Certificate Program

This is a 16-credit hour certificate with an optional clinical practicum and summer study in Costa Rica. Online language assessment or completion of Spanish 1020 is required to begin certificate program.

Required: 9 credit hours + 1 hour Capstone

Spanish 1090 – Conversation & Culture (3)

Spanish 2051 – Spanish for Medical Personnel (3)

Spanish 2052 – Intermediate Spanish for Medical Personnel (3)

Spanish 4998 – Capstone (1)

Electives: 6 credit hours Choose from Grammar, Conversation, Special Topic or Independent Studies

Optional: 4-week International Practicum in Costa Rica (6) Financial Aid is available!

Apply now!

For more information, please contact: Giti Farudi gfarudi@xula.edu (504) 520-5118 or the Center for Continuing Studies & Distance Education ccsde@xula.edu (504) 520-7669



Xavier University of Louisiana Department of Languages invites you to an

Open House

Come enjoy light refreshments, meet our faculty, and learn about our programs, and course offerings!

> January 26th, 2022 12:15 PM - 2:00 PM Administration Building Suite 300

Wishing you every happiness this festive season and in the coming year!



From the faculty of the Department of Languages