

Catalan Minor

Students **must have completed one year of Catalan** (CAT UN1120 and CAT UN2101), or the proficiency equivalent (to be demonstrated by a placement exam).

5 Total Courses:

- One Language course:
CAT UN2102
- Four 3000+ courses
(offered on a rotating basis):
 - CAT UN 3300
 - CAT UN 3500
 - SPAN UN3300
("Intro. to Cat. Cultures"
or
"Exploring Barcelona")
 - Study Abroad courses or
3000+ courses outside
LAIC

Students with higher level of language proficiency have three options:

1. Substitute CAT UN2102 for a LAIC elective
2. Language classes in LAIC may be used as an elective
3. Study Abroad / Course outside LAIC

**For more information
contact the DUS**

Activities

CAFÈ CATALÀ



Practice your Catalan and meet other Catalan students every week over coffee and cookies.

DIADA DE SANT JORDI



Celebrate April 23, the Day of literature and love in Catalonia, exchanging books and roses with fellow students and the Catalan community in NYC.



For more information

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Catalan Program



"Nosaltres, els catalans, pensem que s'han de tenir els peus solidàriament posats a terra si es vol volar per l'aire. El fet que jo davalli a la terra de tant en tant em permet de saltar tot seguit més alt."

(Joan Miró, 1948)



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Catalan Language Program

Catalan is a **Romance language** spoken in four European states: **Andorra**; **Spain** (Catalonia, Valencia, the Balearic Islands, the Western Strip, in Aragon, and El Carxe, in Murcia); **France** (Northern Catalonia); and **Italy** (the town of Alghero in the island of Sardinia). Spoken by **10 million people**, Catalan is a medium-sized language of the European Union in terms of number of speakers, on a par with languages like Swedish, Greek or European Portuguese.

Barcelona, Catalonia's capital, is one of the most vibrant and exciting European cities and definitely the most important Catalan cultural focus. Easily the most cosmopolitan city in Spain, Barcelona is the center of the very locally-rooted Catalan identity and, at the same time, a 21st Century melting pot of cultures and traditions.

C is for Catalan, the language of Catalonia. It is also the letter that drives the 5 objectives that, following the ACTFL standards, guide our foreign language teaching: **communication, connections, comparisons, culture and community**. Throughout the 5 Catalan Language courses offered at Columbia, these five C's remain essential: classes are designed with a main focus on *communication*, understood as "Knowing how, when, and why to say what to whom". This will allow the students to establish *connections* to other knowledges and, through *comparisons* with the language studied, to develop insight into its nature, and thus becoming aware of the multiple ways to perceive and understand the world. These strategies will be key when trying to gain an understanding of the *culture* that will enable their participation in a new and fascinating language *community*.

Courses

ELEMENTARY

CAT UN1120

"Comprehensive Beginning Catalan"

INTERMEDIATE

CAT UN2101

"Intermediate Catalan I"

CAT UN2102

"Intermediate Catalan II"

ADVANCED

In Catalan

CAT UN3300

"Advanced Catalan"

CAT UN3500

"Literature in Catalan Cinema"

In Spanish

SPAN UN3300

- "Intro. to Catalan Cultures"

- "Exploring Barcelona"