I would like to welcome everyone to a new academic year. We are very excited to roll out our new Applied Professional Spanish major concentration. If you are interested in it, come to me or ask your language professor. Remember that our FL major is now 39 credits and it may be a good fit for you as a first or second major. We also offer minors in Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Spanish, Spanish for Business, and a certificate in Spanish for Specific Purposes. We offer introductory classes in Arabic, Italian, and Portuguese, too. I warmly invite all of you to join us for our Fall Open House on October 10. Let me or any of our professors know if you need advising regarding which language classes you should take next. See you at our Open House!

Go Blazers! — Julián Arribas, Chair
Language Clubs and Conversation Table News

**Palomitas**
Spanish & Latin American Film Club
Sept 19, 5:00-9:00 pm
*El viaje de Carol* (Cohosted with La Tertulia)

Oct 10, 6:00-10:00 pm
*Coco*

Nov 5, 6:00-10:00 pm
*El orfanato*

Dec 5, 6:00-10:00 pm
*Instructions Not Included*

Location: Hill Alumni Theater

Info: jtmaddox@uab.edu

**Spanish Table - La Tertulia**
Mondays
2:30-3:30 pm
Sterne Library Starbucks

**La Cena de la Tertulia**
Oct 12, Nov 9
6:00 pm
Mi Pueblo Restaurant and Market (Homewood)

All levels welcome.

Info: centeno@uab.edu

**German Table Stammtischtennis**
Mondays, Sept 10, 24, Oct 8, 22
1:30-2:30 pm, HB 424

Tuesdays, Sept 18, Oct 2, 16, 30
1:00-1:45 pm HB 424

info: ehrinker@uab.edu

**French Conversation Table**
Mondays
4:00 - 5:00 pm
Sterne Library Starbucks

Info: mbond@uab.edu

**Japanese Conversation Table**
Sept 11, 2:00-3:00pm
Sept 28, 11:15am-12:15pm
Oct 9, 2:00-3:00pm
Oct 26, 11:15am-12:15pm

HB 424 Conference Room

info: takamiya@uab.edu

**Italian Cultural Series**
Oct 4, 6:00-8:00pm
Vecchia Pizzeria, Hoover

HB 424 Conference Room

info: giuliana@uab.edu

For more information or for updates on conversation table hours, visit:

Conversation Tables - Spring 2018
New! Applied Professional Spanish (APS) Major Concentration - 39 Credits

**FLL Major Common Core - 9 Credits**

*Course Requirements - The Following 9 Credits:*

- FLL 120. Foreign Cultures
- FLL 121 OR [a different lang] 101
- FLL 485. Foreign Language Capstone Seminar

**Concentration Requirements - 30 Credits**

*The Following Course - 3 Credits*

SPA201 Intermediate SPA I

*Students placed above 201 must take a higher course*

*Three courses at 200 level above 201 (from a specific group of courses) - 9 credits*

*Three courses at 300 level (from a specific group of courses) - 9 credits*

*Advanced students may replace 200 with 300 level courses with departmental permission*

*Two courses ranged 401-499 (from a specific group of courses)- 9 credits*

*One of these courses (3 credits)*

SPA 485. Spanish for Leadership at the Workplace (Internship or Service Learning)
SPA 490. Spanish for Leadership at the Workplace Abroad (Internship Abroad)

more information at:
Course Catalog - Foreign Languages and Literatures Major

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**Upcoming Events**

**DFLL Open House**
10 October, 2:00-3:30 pm Bridge between Humanities and Sterne

**¡Celebración! A Celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month**
October 12, Las Cafeteras, Alys Stephens Center, Engel Plaza -Free concert!
https://www.alysstephens.org/events/las-cafeteras/

"WWII France, The Resistance, and The Role of the French Communist Party"
Historian Julian McPhillips, Sept 21, 6:30-8:00 pm, UAB’s Hulsey Recital Hall
Lecture in English in collaboration with the Alliance Française of Birmingham

**Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival**
Sep. 24, 6:30pm, UAB’s INTO Center Lobby
Chinese food, Movie, Appreciation of Moon Come and join us for a FUN NIGHT!

**JapanFest Atlanta**
Sept 15-16, Infinite Energy Center, [https://www.japanfest.org/](https://www.japanfest.org/)
more information at: [https://www.uab.edu/cas/languages/news-landing/upcoming-events](https://www.uab.edu/cas/languages/news-landing/upcoming-events)
**Scholarships**

Applications for the 2019 - 2020 cycle will open in BSMART on October 1st, 2018.

**The Dr. William E. Doggett III Endowed Scholarship for Foreign Languages & Literatures Majors**, with a concentration in either French or Spanish.

**Dr. William E. Doggett III Endowed Study Abroad Scholarship in Foreign Languages & Literatures**: support for study abroad in a foreign language, linguistics, or literature. Preference shall be given to students with a focus in French or German, but students of all language minor programs offered by the DFLL may apply.

**Lehmeyer Endowed Award in German**, for UAB students of German.

**Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures Scholarship**: open only to the top introductory-level students in each of the languages offered; provides funding to support up to two additional courses past the first language course taken at UAB. Selected students will be invited to apply to receive $1,250.00 each semester for two semesters, $2,500.00 total, exclusively for foreign language coursework.

Contact: Dr. Erika Hille Rinker at ehrinker@uab.edu.
More Information at: https://www.uab.edu/cas/languages/student-resources/scholarships

**International Fellowships**

**Boren Awards Info Session, Oct 2, 1:00-2:00 pm, HHB 500**

Boren Awards provide undergraduate and graduate students with a unique opportunity to fund long-term, language-focused study and research abroad, and to launch careers in international affairs with the federal government. Contact: fellowships@uab.edu; Website: Boren Awards for International Study

**The Benjamin Gilman Scholarship** is a U.S. Department of State grant program that enables students of limited financial means to study or intern abroad. Interested students should first meet with the UAB Office of Education Abroad to identify their study abroad program and then reach out to the UAB Office of Honors Administration, Strategic Initiatives, and Fellowships for assistance with their application. Contact: fellowships@uab.edu; Website: Gilman Scholarship Deadlines and Timeline

**Critical Language Scholarship** is an intensive overseas language and cultural immersion program for American students enrolled at U.S. colleges and universities. The program includes intensive language instruction and structured cultural enrichment experiences designed to promote rapid language gains. Contact: fellowships@uab.edu; Website: https://clscholarship.org/
Study Abroad News

**SPECIFICS**

**COURSE(S)**
FLL 120 or GN 290

**PROGRAM FEE**
$3,205 + tuition
$310 paid to UAB Education Abroad
$2,895 paid to EF Tours

**TRAVEL DATES**
May 20-31, 2019

**DEADLINE**
January 1, 2019

**ABOUT**
Students will develop an understanding of how cultures in German-speaking countries are constructed and received in specific economic, geo-political, historical, and social contexts. Students will discuss the arts of twentieth-century Germany within and beyond the borders of the German nation-state, as well as develop an awareness of how others regard American culture(s) and visitors when one studies abroad.

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https://www.uab.edu/cas/languages/  (205) 934-4652
Humanities Building 407 – page 5
Taiwan & Sri Lanka 2019 (Faculty-led Program)

Professors: Ling Ma and Achala Gunasekara-Rockwell
Courses: FLL121; CHI190,290
Scholarship Opportunity: The Dr. William E. Dogged III Endowed Study Abroad Scholarship in Foreign Languages & Literatures

Information session: Tuesday, 09/25/2018 9:30-10:30am in HB424
Contact: Prof. Ling Ma @ coltyma@uab.edu or Prof. Achala Gunasekara-Rockwell @ achalaro@uab.edu

Application Deadline: January 1, 2019
More information: UAB Education Abroad at https://educationabroad.uab.edu

Local News

The American Association of Teachers of Spanish & Portuguese (AATSP) new national corporate office is right here in Birmingham, AL. If you are a Spanish minor or major, learning Portuguese, or aspiring to be a language teacher, join the AATSP and learn more about all the opportunities the AATSP offers its members. The AATSP is located in the Landmark Center building, 2100 1st Ave N, Suite 320, Birmingham, AL 35203, or visit us at www.aatsp.org. You may also contact Dr. Dieter Waldvogel at dieteraw@uab.edu. Visit aatsp.org.
Cayla Hamilton Wins National Sigma Delta Pi Mario Vargas Llosa Award

The Sigma Delta Pi Spanish Honor Society grants one national award each year to an exceptional Spanish undergraduate who is a member of the organization. It is named for Mario Vargas Llosa, the most recent winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature in Latin America. This summer, UAB Foreign Languages and Art and Art History Major Cayla Hamilton received this award at the Centennial Conference of the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese at the prestigious University of Salamanca, the oldest university in Spain. During her speech, she thanked her UAB faculty mentors and said she wanted to be a high school Spanish teacher. She had fun traveling Spain and is now beginning a Master’s Degree in Spanish at Auburn University.

Prof. María Jesús Centeno received the EMPSAP (Early Medical School Acceptance Program) Outstanding Professor Award in Spring 2018.

DFLL students Amanda Hudson, Stephanie Lin, Ireen Lin placed first in the Arts and Humanities category at the 2018 UAB Spring EXPO! Congratulations!
Faculty Mentor: Prof. Ling Ma