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DEPARTMENT ORDER  
NO. 13, s.1971

QUALIFICATION OF TEACHERS FOR SPANISH COURSES

To the Director of Public Schools,  
the Director of Private Schools, and  
the Director of Vocational Education:

1. During the initial period of the implementation of the laws making Spanish a regular course in our school curriculum, it became necessary to appoint as teachers, applicants not professionally qualified. As a consequence, Spanish instruction in the schools was quite unsatisfactory.

2. We now have enough graduates who are prepared to teach the subject both in the secondary and collegiate levels. Thus, this Department announces the following requirements for compliance by all concerned:

A. Teachers who are qualified to teach Spanish in secondary schools:

- (1) Holders of the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education, major in Spanish
- (2) Holders of the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education minor in Spanish, but possessing a command of the language.
- (3) Holders of the degree of Bachelor of Arts, major in Spanish, with 18 units in Education.
- (4) Holders of the diploma for Teachers' Major Course in Spanish. (Holders of a Bachelor's degree who have earned 39 units in Spanish and 18 units in Education)

B. Professors or instructors who are qualified to teach Spanish in colleges and universities:

- (1) Holders of a doctorate degree, major in Spanish. (Ph.D.)







- (2) Holders of a doctorate degree, major in any subject, with at least thirty-nine (39) units of college Spanish, who possess a command of the language and have had at least one (1) year of successful teaching experience in that subject.
- (3) Holders of the Master of Arts degree, major in Spanish.
- (4) Holders of the Master of Arts degree, major in any subject, with a minimum of thirty-nine (39) units of college Spanish, who have had at least one (1) year of successful teaching experience in that subject and who have a command of the language.

3. Paragraph 3 of Department Order No. 16, s. 1966 on the qualification of teachers states:

"TEACHERS WHO ARE B.S.E. AND A.B. GRADUATES WITH 39 UNITS OF COLLEGE SPANISH AND ARE ACTUALLY IN THE SERVICE, WILL NOT BE ADVERSELY AFFECTED. THEY CAN CONTINUE TEACHING IN COLLEGE, PROVIDED THEY ENROLL IN A RECOGNIZED SCHOOL AND STUDY IN ORDER TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS WITHIN TWO YEARS. NO NEW TEACHER, HOWEVER, WHO DOES NOT MEET THE STANDARDS HERIN SET SHALL BE ALLOWED TO TEACH BEGINNING THE SECOND SEMESTER OF THE CURRENT YEAR".

4. Since the two-year grace period has lapsed, it is imperative that the situation be remedied this school year.

This Department Order supersedes Department Order No. 16, s. 1966.

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