

LATINO AND LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES (LALAS) MINOR

The Latino and Latin American Studies minor is interdisciplinary, designed to provide undergraduates with an enhanced understanding of the culture, history, language, literature, and arts of both Latinos in the United States and the people of Latin America. The minor consists of a minimum of 15 credit hours of courses on these topics, selected to reflect each individual student's interests. Through coursework in Latino and Latin American Studies, students prepare themselves for careers in teaching, government, the media, health care, business, law, and the arts, among others. The requirements for the Latino and Latin American Studies minor are given below.

Successful completion of the Latino and Latin American Studies minor consists of 15 credit hours, including a minimum of 3 hours selected from a) humanities / fine arts and b) social science courses listed here. No more than 6 hours from the student's major can be counted toward the minor in Latino and Latin American Studies. In addition to the list of humanities and social science courses listed here, students may count up to 6 hours of coursework in Africana Studies; Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies; or other courses that specifically focus on intercultural relations in the U.S. Use of such courses as electives for the minor will require written approval from the Faculty Coordinator as part of early registration.

There are no language requirements or other prerequisites for the minor. Latino and Latin American Studies courses do not require a knowledge of Spanish or other foreign languages. However, a familiarity with Spanish (or any second language) is always an asset. CoLA majors are strongly encouraged to use introductory Spanish language courses in order to fulfill the college-wide foreign language requirement. Students who have proficiency in other languages such as Portuguese or an indigenous Latin American language may consult with the Program Coordinator about having them count for the LALAS minor.

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COURSES THAT FULFILL REQUIREMENTS

A) Humanities/Fine Arts

ENGLISH (ENGL)

ENGL 205 Cultural Diversity in American Literature
ENGL 446 Caribbean Literature

HISTORY (HIST)

HIST 361 Race & History in the U.S.
(same as AFR 360)
HIST 365 American Immigration
HIST 370A History of Latin America: Colonial
HIST 370B History of Latin America:
Independent
HIST 407 History of Latinos in the United States
HIST 470 Continuity & Change in Latin America

PHILOSOPHY (PHIL)

PHIL 211 Philosophy & Diversity: Gender, Race
& Class

SPANISH (SPAN)

SPAN 304 Hispanic Film and Conversation
SPAN 310 Introduction to Hispanic Literature
SPAN 370B Hispanic Culture
SPAN 434 Colonial Literature
SPAN 451 Studies in Latin American Literature
of the Nineteenth Century
SPAN 461 Studies in Latin American Literature
of the Twentieth Century

B) Social Sciences

AFRICANA STUDIES (AFR) (Formerly Black American Studies)

AFR 360 Race & History in the United States

ANTHROPOLOGY (ANTH)

ANTH 204 Latino Cultures in America
ANTH 205 Latin American Civilization
ANTH 206 Latin American Popular Culture
ANTH 302 Indians of the Americas
ANTH 310C Introduction to Peoples & Cultures:
Caribbean
ANTH 310E Introduction to Peoples & Cultures:
South America
ANTH 310I Introduction to Peoples & Cultures:
Mesoamerica
ANTH 328C Introduction to Languages and
Cultures of the Americas: South America
ANTH 416 Spanish in the U.S.A.
ANTH 430B Archaeology of Mesoamerica
ANTH 430F Archaeology of South America

CRIMINOLOGY & CRIMINAL JUSTICE (CCJ)

CCJ 203 Crime, Justice, & Social Diversity

ECONOMICS (ECON)

ECON 419 Latin American Economic
Development

LINGUISTICS (LING)

LING 416 Spanish in the U.S.A.
(same as ANTH 416)

POLITICAL SCIENCE (POLS)

POLS 215 Politics of Diversity in the United States
POLS 366 Latin American Politics

PSYCHOLOGY (PSYC)

PSYC 223 Diversity in the Workplace

SOCIOLOGY (SOC)

SOC 215 Race and Ethnic Relations in the
United States
SOC 438 Sociology of Ethnic Relations in World
Perspective