

# LATIN AMERICAN AND LATINO/A STUDIES CONCENTRATION - INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES MAJOR

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The Latin American and Latino/a Studies Concentration within the Interdisciplinary Studies major allows students to approach the study of Latin America and Latinos/as in the United States from an interdisciplinary perspective. It is an appropriate concentration for those intending to pursue Latin American and Latino/a Studies or Spanish at the graduate level, for those anticipating living or working in Latin America, or for those wishing to acquire expertise in Latin America for a career in government and/or business.

Training in Latin American and Latino/a studies is an excellent preparation for careers in education, business and government. Graduates find employment with businesses such as export/import companies, international banks, tour and travel companies and the international media. Government agencies, such as the State Department, seek individuals trained in Latin American and Latino/a studies. Employment opportunities exist for translators, researchers and in other areas.

## Requirements

### Requirements for the Concentration

Students in the Latin American and Latino/a Studies Concentration complete SPAN 301 or its equivalent, and a minimum of 36 units. The concentration requires 6 units in foundations courses, 6 units in advanced study courses, a 6-unit capstone experience, and 18 units of electives. Students must complete a minimum of 6 units in at least three of the following disciplines: anthropology, art history, economics history, geography, music, applied music, political science, sociology or Spanish.

Code	Title	Units
<b>Foundations</b>		
LAST 100	LATIN AMERICA: ISSUES AND APPROACHES	3
HIST 122	LATIN AMERICA: NATIONAL PERIOD	3
<b>Advanced Study</b>		
Select two of the following:		6
ANTH 369	TRADITION & REVOLUTION IN LATIN AMERICA	
GEOG 461	GEOGRAPHY OF LATIN AMERICA	
POSC 351	THE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF LATIN AMERICAN	
SPAN 312	CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION OF LATIN AMERICA	
SPAN 455	HISPANIC POPULAR CULTURES	

### Capstone Experience

Latin American and Latino/a Studies students should plan early how they intend to fulfill their capstone requirement. Participation in the study abroad / away program in Latin America is strongly recommended: 6

Option One (recommended)

Study Abroad / Away Experience in Latin America (see guidelines)

Option Two

Select two of the following:

LAST 385	MODEL ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES
LAST 491	DIRECTED READINGS IN LATIN AMERICAN AND LATINO/A STUDIES
LAST 492	DIRECTED READINGS IN LATIN AMERICAN AND LATINO/A STUDIES
LAST 497	INTERNSHIP IN LATIN AMERICAN AND LATINO/A STUDIES
HONR 499	HONORS THESIS (in Latin American and Latino/a Studies Themes) <sup>1</sup>

### Electives

Select six of the following approved courses in Latin American and Latino/a Studies: 18

#### Anthropology

ANTH 351	DRUGS IN GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE
ANTH 369	TRADITION & REVOLUTION IN LATIN AMERICA
ANTH 370	TOPICS IN ANTHROPOLOGY <sup>2</sup>
ANTH 470	SPECIAL TOPICS IN ANTHROPOLOGY <sup>2</sup>
ANTH 491	INTERNSHIP IN ANTHROPOLOGY I <sup>2</sup>
ANTH 492	INTERNSHIP IN ANTHROPOLOGY II <sup>2</sup>
ANTH 495	INDEPENDENT RESEARCH <sup>2</sup>
ANTH 498	READINGS IN ANTHROPOLOGY (HONORS) <sup>2</sup>
ANTH 499	HONORS THESIS IN ANTHROPOLOGY <sup>2</sup>

#### Art History

ARTH 339	LATIN AMERICAN ART: 1800 TO PRESENT
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#### Economics

ECON 326	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
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#### Geography

GEOG 461	GEOGRAPHY OF LATIN AMERICA
GEOG 470	SPECIAL TOPICS IN GEOGRAPHY <sup>2</sup>
GEOG 471	GEOSPATIAL TECHNOLOGIES SPECIAL TOPICS <sup>2</sup>
GEOG 472	SPECIAL TOPICS IN SPACE AND SOCIETY <sup>2</sup>
GEOG 473	SPECIAL TOPICS IN ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS AND SUSTAINABILITY <sup>2</sup>
GEOG 494	TRAVEL AND STUDY <sup>2</sup>
GEOG 495	DIRECTED READINGS IN GEOGRAPHY <sup>2</sup>
GEOG 496	INDEPENDENT STUDY IN GEOGRAPHY <sup>2</sup>

#### History

HIST 121	LATIN AMERICA: COLONIAL PERIOD
HIST 307	THE ANDEAN REPUBLICS
HIST 322	HISTORY OF MEXICO: NATIONAL PERIOD

HIST 484	HISTORICAL THEMES <sup>2</sup>
HIST 493	INTERNSHIP <sup>2</sup>
HIST 497	DIRECTED READING <sup>2</sup>
HIST 498	HONORS DIRECTED READINGS <sup>2</sup>
HIST 499	HONORS THESIS IN HISTORY <sup>2</sup>
International Studies	
INST 494	INTERNATIONAL STUDIES ABROAD <sup>2</sup>
Latin American and Latino/a Studies	
LAST 385	MODEL ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES
LAST 484	SPECIAL TOPICS IN LATIN AMERICAN AND LATINO/A STUDIES
LAST 491	DIRECTED READINGS IN LATIN AMERICAN AND LATINO/A STUDIES
LAST 492	DIRECTED READINGS IN LATIN AMERICAN AND LATINO/A STUDIES
LAST 497	INTERNSHIP IN LATIN AMERICAN AND LATINO/A STUDIES
Music Applied	
MUSA 170 or MUSA 370	ENSEMBLE: WORLD MUSIC ENSEMBLE <sup>2</sup>
Music	
MUSC 471	SPECIAL TOPICS IN MUSIC HISTORY AND CULTURE <sup>2</sup>
Political Science	
POSC 351	THE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF LATIN AMERICAN
POSC 355	LATIN AMERICAN POLICY OF THE UNITED STATES
POSC 470	SPECIAL TOPICS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE <sup>2</sup>
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POSC 472	SPEC TOPICS POSC <sup>2</sup>
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POSC 476	SPEC TOPICS POSC <sup>2</sup>
POSC 477	SPEC TOPICS POSC <sup>2</sup>
POSC 478	SPECIAL TOPICS IN POSC <sup>2</sup>
POSC 479	SPEC TOPICS POSC <sup>2</sup>
POSC 490	INDEPENDENT STUDY <sup>2</sup>
POSC 493	INTERNSHIP I <sup>2</sup>
POSC 498	DIRECTED READINGS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE <sup>2</sup>
POSC 499	HONORS THESIS IN POSC <sup>2</sup>
Sociology	
SOCI 440	SOCIOLOGY OF IMMIGRATION
Spanish	
SPAN 302	COMPOSITION AND CONVERSATION II
SPAN 312	CULTURE AND CIVILIZATION OF LATIN AMERICA
SPAN 322	SURVEY OF SPANISH-AMERICAN LITERATURE
SPAN 331	SPANISH FOR BUSINESS
SPAN 455	HISPANIC POPULAR CULTURES

SPAN 470	SPECIAL TOPICS IN SPANISH <sup>2</sup>
SPAN 491	DIRECTED READINGS IN SPANISH LITERATURE <sup>2</sup>
SPAN 492	DIRECTED READINGS IN SPANISH <sup>2</sup>
SPAN 494	TRAVEL STUDY ABROAD <sup>2</sup>
SPAN 497	INTERNSHIP IN SPANISH <sup>2</sup>

**Total Units** **36**

<sup>1</sup> Open to departmental honors program students only.  
<sup>2</sup> When concerned with Latin America.

## Four-Year Plan of Study

### Sample Four-Year Plan

The selected course sequence below is an example of the simplest path to degree completion. Based on course schedules, student needs, and student choice, individual plans may vary. Students should consult with their adviser to make the most appropriate elective choices and to ensure that they have completed the required number of units (120) to graduate.

First Year		
Term 1	Units Term 2	Units
FORL 101	3 FORL 201	3
Core 1 (or Core 2)	3 LAST 100	3
Core 4	3 Core 2 (or Core 1)	3
Elective	3 Core 3	3
Elective	3 Core 6	3
<b>15</b>		<b>15</b>
Second Year		
Term 1	Units Term 2	Units
HIST 122 (Core 12)	3 Advanced Study Courses <sup>2</sup>	3
SPAN 301 (Core 5)	3 LAST Elective	3
Core 9	3 Core 7	4
Core 11	3 Core 13	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
<b>15</b>		<b>16</b>
Third Year		
Term 1	Units Term 2	Units
Advanced Study Courses <sup>2</sup>	3 LAST Elective <sup>1</sup>	3
LAST Elective	3 LAST Elective <sup>1</sup>	3
Core 8	4 LAST Elective <sup>1</sup>	3
Core 10	3 Core 14	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
<b>16</b>		<b>15</b>
Fourth Year		
Term 1	Units Term 2	Units
LAST Elective <sup>1</sup>	3 Capstone I <sup>1</sup>	3
Elective	3 Capstone II <sup>1</sup>	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	1
<b>15</b>		<b>13</b>
<b>Total Units 120</b>		

<sup>1</sup> PLEASE NOTE: The required course work for the major in the last three semesters is designed to be maximally flexible, affording study abroad opportunities, independent study possibilities, etc.

<sup>2</sup> Course options: ANTH 369, GEOG 461, POSC 351, SPAN 312, SPAN 455

## **Learning Outcomes**

1. Students possess the ability to integrate knowledge and modes of thinking across two or more disciplines.
2. Students communicate effectively in the presentation of interdisciplinary materials through various modes of transmission.
3. Students conduct, analyze and apply research from two or more disciplines or through interdisciplinary research.