

LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

School of Natural and Social Sciences

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Latin American Studies is an interdisciplinary program that combines subject matter from several academic disciplines to give the student a broad background encompassing the historical, social, cultural, and geographic aspects of the region. It offers students interested in Latin America the opportunity to pursue a major in this field of study leading to the Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees. The undergraduate program is described below, and the graduate program is described in the *Graduate Programs* section.

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The Faculty

Instruction for the Latin American Studies program is provided by members of the faculty from cooperating disciplines in the Schools of Natural and Social Sciences, Arts and Letters, Business and Economics, and the Charter School of Education.

Bachelor of Arts Degree

The Bachelor of Arts degree program in Latin American Studies affords the student a wide range of career opportunities in the U.S. and abroad. The growth of the Latin population in the U.S. has produced an increasing need for trained persons with a knowledge of the region to work in government, teaching, business, and other fields.

Requirements for the Major (60–151 units)

The major requires 60–151 units depending on the option selected. The required language competence may be demonstrated by examination.

• General Option (60 - 76 units)

Lower Division Required Courses (12 - 32 units)

ANTH 250	Cultural Anthropology (4)
GEOG 150	Human Geography (4)
LAS 150	Latin America in the World Context (4)
PORT 100AB	Elementary Portuguese (4, 4) (or SPAN 300A or 315 listed below)
SPAN 200ABC	Intermediate Spanish (4, 4, 4) or Demonstrated Competency (0)

Upper Division Required Courses (24 or 28 units)

ANTH 404	Peoples of South America (4)
ANTH 408	Peasant Cultures of Middle America (4)
GEOG 427	Mexico and Central America (4)
GEOG 428	South America (4)
LAS 497	Proseminar: Methodology, Research Writing Selected Topics about Latin America (4)
POLS 451	Latin American Politics (4)
SPAN 300A	Composition and Grammar (4) or
SPAN 315	Spanish-American Civilization (4) (or PORT 100AB listed above)

Select 8 units in history:

HIST 461	Latin America: Colonial Period (4)
HIST 462	Latin America: 1810–1914 (4)
HIST 463	Latin America: 1914–Present (4)

HIST 465	Brazil (4)	CHS/HIST 466	Mexico (4)
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Elective Courses (12 units)

Select one course from Art, Music, Philosophy or Spanish or LAS 435 or LAS/PAS 442. Four units may be selected from 499 courses in anthropology, Chicano studies, geography, history, Latin American studies, philosophy, political science, or Spanish. Select from following courses, with adviser approval:

*ANTH 454L	ART 446
BCST/LAS 434	CHS 311, 400, 406, 430, 444, 468
CHS/HIST 466, 467	ECON 460
GEOG 433, *496, *497	
HIST 444AB, *450, *451, 461, 462, 463, 465	
LAS 424, 435, 450	LAS/PAS 442, 460
MUS 458	PAS 423
PAS/POLS 456	PHIL 433
*POLS 454	SOC 442
SPAN 300AB, 315, 411, 413, 417, 419, 421, 429, *454, *459, *460, 475, 483, 485	

* when topic is Latin America

• Multiple Subject Credential Option (146-151 units)

Students who select this option complete a separate core which is common to all Multiple Subject teaching options. That common core contains 106-111 units and is described in the *Undergraduate Study* chapter. In addition to the core, the 68 units listed below are required in the option. Refer to the undergraduate *Charter School of Education* chapter of this catalog for regulations governing all teaching credential programs.

Required Courses (106-111 units)

Refer to *Undergraduate Study* chapter of this catalog.

Major Courses (20 units)

LAS 150	Latin America in the World Context (4)
LAS 497	Proseminar: Selected Topics in Latin American Problems (4)
SPAN 200BC	Intermediate Spanish (4, 4)

Select one from following (4 units):

ART 446	Art of Latin America (4)
MUS 458	Music of Latin America (4)
PHIL 433	Latin American Philosophy (4)
SPAN 300A or 300B	Composition and Grammar (4)
SPAN 315	Spanish-American Civilization (4)
SPAN 411 or 413	Spanish-American Literature I or II (4)

Social Science (Latin America) Depth Area (20 units)

Select one four-unit course each course from areas A - D, representing at least four departments, with no more than four units of LAS 450.

A. The Region

HIST 461, 462, 463; LAS 424, 450

B. Chicano Studies and Mexico

CHS 406, 444, 470; CHS/HIST 466, 467; LAS 450

C. Central America and the Caribbean

ANTH 408; GEOG 427; LAS 450; PAS/POLS 456

D. South America

ANTH 404; GEOG 428; HIST 465; LAS 450; POLS 451

E. Select one additional four-unit course from any of the above areas.

Electives (28 units)

Professional education courses are recommended. See a credential adviser in the *Charter School of Education*.

GENERAL EDUCATION UPPER DIVISION THEME (12 units)

Select one general education upper division theme and complete one course in each of the three areas within that theme. Theme courses are not part of the major but are included in credential requirements.

Minor in Latin American Studies

The minor in Latin American Studies is designed to provide students not majoring in Latin American Studies with a concentration of courses that will impart a knowledge of the field and enhance their career opportunities and general knowledge in a focused manner. The minor requires a total of 32 units, 12 in required courses and 20 in electives.

Requirements for the Minor (32 units)**Required Courses (12 units)**

LAS 150	Latin America in the World Context (4)
LAS 497	Proseminar: Methodology, Research Writing Selected Topics about Latin America (4)
SPAN 200C**	Intermediate Spanish (4)

** requirement may be met by examination and unit requirement met with courses selected from elective list.

Electives (select 20 units from following, with courses from at least three fields)

ANTH 404, 408, *454L	ART 446
BCST/LAS 434	CHS 311, 400, 406, 430, 444, 468
CHS/HIST 466, 467	ECON 460#
GEOG 427, 428, 433#, 496*, 497*	
HIST 450*, 451*, 461, 462, 463, 465	
LAS 424, 435, 450, 499	LAS/PAS 442#, 460#
MUS 458	PAS 423
PAS/POLS 456	PHIL 433
POLS 451, *454	SOC 442
SPAN 300AB, 315, 411, 413, 417, 419, 421, 429, 454*, 459*, 460*, 475, 483, 485	

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no more than two of these courses

The Credential Program

The B.A. degree in Latin American Studies (credential option) has been approved by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing for the Multiple Subject credential and helps students prepare for the cultural and language examinations for the Multiple Subject BCLAD credential. CLAD Emphasis is also available. Consult an adviser in the Division of Curriculum and Instruction for requirements.

Interested students should consult advisers in the Latin American Studies office and the Charter School of Education. Refer to the undergraduate *Charter School of Education* chapter of this catalog for regulations governing all teaching credential programs.

Courses in Latin American Studies (LAS)**Lower Division Course****150 Latin America in the World Context (4)**

An interdisciplinary introductory survey of the history, society, peoples, politics, geography, and artistic culture of Latin America with emphasis on its relation to the rest of the world.

Upper Division Courses**395 Community Service in Latin American Studies (1-4)**

Prerequisites: Approval by departmental faculty adviser, acceptance by a community agency. Participation as a volunteer in work of a community agency or activity utilizing professional and/or vocational skills in service to community. Graded CR/NC. May be repeated to maximum of 9 units.

424 The United States and Latin America (4)

Examination and analysis of relations between the U.S. and Latin American nations; the inter-American system.

434 Latin American Radio Documentary Production (4) (also listed as BCST 434)

Recommended prerequisites: BCST 320 or two upper division Latin American content courses in history, political science, or Latin American studies. Analysis of political, economic, and cultural issues in Latin America, utilizing primary sources; production of research in the form of broadcasting tapes.

435 Race and Culture in Latin America (4)

Prerequisite: Upper division standing. The role of race in Latin America as expressed in culture and the arts.

442 Cultural Impact of Third World Development (4) (also listed as PAS 442)

The development process in the Third World as it affects and is affected by art and intellectual life.

450 Special Studies in Latin American Studies (1-4)

Prerequisites: Upper division standing, others as needed for specific topic. Selected topics in Latin American Studies differ each quarter; examined in manner of undergraduate seminar; individual readings, written/oral reports, discussion. Repeatable to maximum of 12 units as subject matter changes.

460 Dynamics of Social Change in the Third World (4) (also listed as PAS 460)

Processes and development of social change in the Third World and their relevance to the U.S.

497 Proseminar: Methodology, Research Writing Selected Topics about Latin America (4)

Prerequisites: LAS 150; ENGL 102*, satisfactory completion of the Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR). Reading ability in Spanish or Portuguese. Senior Course. Interdisciplinary examination of approaches to Latin American Studies. Preparation of research paper in English on topic selected in consultation with instructor.

*Students subject to earlier catalogs satisfy this prerequisite with ENGL 101 or 190.

499 Undergraduate Directed Study (1-4)

Prerequisite: Instructor consent to act as sponsor. Project selected in conference with sponsor before registration, progress meetings held regularly, and final report submitted. May be repeated for credit.