MINOR IN LATIN AMERICAN AND LATINO/A STUDIES

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The goals of the Minor in Latin American and Latino/a Studies are (a) to provide students with key concepts, information, and a foundation of knowledge rooted in several academic disciplines; (b) to examine the social, political, and cultural challenges of Latin America and the Latino/a populations in the global community; and (c) to foster a multicultural, pluralistic, and multi-lingual environment by focusing on the interrelations between the United States, Latin America, and its descendant populations.

This program is student centered and flexible. Students are expected to complete coursework in a variety of disciplines and departments. All individual programs of study must be planned in consultation with the Latin American and Latino/a Studies advisor. To ensure the integrity of the interdisciplinarity of the minor, students must complete coursework from a minimum of three departments.

—21 hours required.

—Required courses (6 hours): LAL/SOC 109 and one of: HIS 104A03 or GEO 235A02 or SPA/POR/FRE 112. If a student can show he or she has earned language credit in an indigenous language, those credits will be accepted as well.

—Elective courses (15 hours) from: ANT 303, 383; ENG 267; FRE 112, 115, 116; GEO 235A02; HIS 104A03, 263, 282, 283; IDS 203A15; LAL 287, 291, 398A01, 398A02; POL 240, 340; POR 111, 112, 115; PSY 327A01; SPA 112, 115, 116, 120, 233, 240, 244, 326, 327, 336; THE 375. Other courses with appropriate Latin American or Latino/a Studies content may be approved by the advisor: ANT 273, SPA 305, 360, 385; TCH 319, 320, 321, 322, WGS 391.

NOTE: Students are strongly encouraged to study abroad in programs in Latin America and the Caribbean. See the Office of International Studies and Programs for information.

NOTE: Many courses are offered regularly. Please note that some courses are not available every semester.

Latin American and Latino/a Studies Courses

109 INTRODUCTION TO U.S. LATINO/A STUDIES UST 3 sem. hrs.
An interdisciplinary introduction to the migration, work, and community experiences of U.S. Latino/Latina immigrants and their descendants. May not be taken under the P/NP option. Also offered as SOC 109.

398A01 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE: INTERNSHIP/COOP IN LATIN AMERICAN AND LATINO/A STUDIES 1-6 sem. hrs.
Independent experience in a supervised community work setting with opportunities for civic engagement. Academic requirements include a final paper. A maximum of 6 hours may count toward the LAL minor. Prerequisite: Consent of the director and supervisor.

398A02 PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE: RESEARCH EXPERIENCE IN LATIN AMERICAN AND LATINO/A STUDIES 1-6 sem. hrs.
Practical experience in the design, implementation, and reporting of research through methods appropriate to the fields of interest. A maximum of 6 hours may count toward the LAL minor; a maximum of 16 hours of all 398 courses may count towards graduation. Prerequisite: SOC 109 and consent of the program director.