

Latin American Studies Minor

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Latin American Studies provides a thorough grounding in the languages, history, geography, and some of the central cultural and socio-economic issues at stake in the region. The diversity of peoples, cultures, languages, and environments makes the study of Latin America an exciting intellectual adventure. Core courses in the minor are complemented by courses drawn from departments and programs such as Anthropology, Ethnic Studies, Philosophy, Geography, Romance Languages, History, Global Studies, and Environmental Studies. Advanced language study is a part of the program. Minors will pursue second-year proficiency in a related language.

Latin American Studies Minor Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
One required introduction course		4
LAS 200	Introduction to Latin American Studies	
or PS 330	Governments and Politics in Latin America	
One additional required course		4
LAS 211	Latin American Humanities: [Topic]	
or LAS 407	Seminar: [Topic]	
or PHIL 342	Introduction to Latin American Philosophy	
or GBL 446	Development and Social Change in Latin America	
or SPAN 490	20th-Century Latin American Literature: [Topic]	
Elective courses ¹		20
ANTH 329	Immigration and Farmworkers	
ANTH/JCOM 427M	Latino Roots I	
ANTH/JCOM 428M	Latino Roots II	
ANTH 434	Indigenous Peoples of South America	
ARH 211	Survey of Latin American Arts	
EDST 456	Decolonization and Education	
ENG 243	Introduction to Chicano and Latino Literature	
ENG 363	Chicano and Latino Writers	
ENVS 467	Sustainable Agriculture	
ES 254	Introduction to Chicano and Latinx Studies	
ES 380	Race, Migration, and Rights	
ES 442		
GLBL 420	Global Community Development	
GLBL 465	Global Reproductive Health	
GLBL 467	Global Mental Health	
HIST 106	World History	
HIST 248	Latinos in the Americas	
HIST 363	United States Business History	

HIST 380	Latin America	
HIST 381	Latin America	
HIST 382	Latin America, 1910 to the Present	
HIST 383	Soccer and Society in Latin America	
HIST 482		
HIST 483	Latin America: [Topic]	
MUS 359	Music of the Americas	
PHIL 342	Introduction to Latin American Philosophy	
PS 297	Introduction to Environmental Politics	
PS 330	Governments and Politics in Latin America	
SPAN 218	Latino Heritage I	
SPAN 228	Latino Heritage II	
SPAN 301	Cultura y lengua: Identidades hispanas	
SPAN 308	Culture and Language Bilingual Communities	
SPAN 324	Spanish Pronunciation and Phonetics	
SPAN 341	Hispanic Cultures through Literature I	
SPAN 348	Latinx Culture and Society	
SPAN 350	Introduction to Poetry	
SPAN 351	Introduction to Theater	
SPAN 353	Introduction to Narrative	
SPAN 355	Creative Writing in Spanish	
SPAN 424		
SPAN 425	Literary Translation	
SPAN 428	Spanish in the United States	
SPAN 448	National Identities and Border Cultures in the Americas	
SPAN 480	19th-Century Spanish American Literature: [Topic]	
SPAN 490	20th-Century Latin American Literature: [Topic]	
Total Credits		28

¹ Students may confer with a program advisor to determine other applicable courses not listed here. Check for courses with Latin American Studies (LAS) themes listed in the Schedule of Classes each term; courses listed under LAS count toward the major or minor. In addition, students may petition the director of the major or minor for the inclusion of other applicable LAS-related courses that have at least 50 percent Latin American Studies-related content.

Language Requirements

Students must satisfactorily complete, with grades of C– or better or P, two years of college-level Spanish- or Portuguese-language courses. Language credits may be earned at the University of Oregon through an approved study abroad or study away program or transferred from another accredited college or university. As an alternative, students may satisfy the language requirement by examination, demonstrating a level of competence equivalent to two years of college-level Spanish or Portuguese. Students whose native language is either Spanish or Portuguese may substitute equivalent competence in English in lieu of this requirement.

Additional Requirements

Of the total 28 credits for the Latin American studies minor—

- 20 credits must be taken for a letter grade and a passed with a grade of C- or better (8 credits may be taken pass/no pass)
- 20 credits must be in upper-division (300- or 400-level)
- 20 credits must be taken on campus at the University of Oregon or in a UO faculty-led study abroad or study away program
- **Limit on Multiple Department Credits:** No more than four departments, disciplines, or programs can count toward the minor.
- **Limit on Single Department Credits:** No more than 12 credits (or three courses) from any single department can count toward the minor.
- **Allowances for Study Abroad and Study Away Credits:** 8 credits may be earned through successful completion of pre-approved courses in a study abroad program at an accredited Latin American college or university or a study away program such as Escuela Helvetia; transfer credits from universities outside Latin America are considered individually, following existing procedures in appropriate departments for determining their equivalence to UO courses.
- **Allowances for Upper-Division Language Courses as Electives for the LAS Minor:** Spanish, Portuguese, or Indigenous language courses must be upper-division literature and culture courses to count toward completion of the 28-credit minor requirement.