

Latin American Studies, Minor

Requirements

The undergraduate minor in Latin American studies requires a minimum of 15 s.h. in Latin American studies (prefix LAS) approved courses including at least 12 s.h. of credit earned at the University of Iowa. Students must maintain a grade-point average of at least 2.00 in all courses for the minor and in all UI courses for the minor. Coursework in the minor may not be taken pass/nonpass.

Students may count a total of 6 s.h. earned for majors, certificates, and other minors toward the Latin American studies minor. Because the minor is interdisciplinary, it may include a maximum of 6 s.h. of credit from any single department or program. Students earning the minor in Latin American studies may not earn the Certificate in Latin American Studies.

Students are strongly encouraged to take either or both of these courses for the minor.

Course #	Title	Hours
LAS:2700	Introduction to Latin American Studies	3
LAS:4700	Latin American Studies Seminar	3

Associated Courses

The following courses are approved for the Latin American studies certificate and minor. Students may petition to include other courses that have significant Latin American content, consult the department.

Course #	Title	Hours
Anthropology		
LAS:2220/ ANTH:2220	The Olmec, Maya, and Aztecs: Archaeology of Mesoamerica	3
Communication Studies		
COMM:4171	Community Media	3
Dance		
LAS:1150/ DANC:1150	Brazilian Culture and Carnival	3
DANC:2150	Brazilian Social Dance: The Samba	3
English		
LAS:3535/ ENGL:3535	Topics in Literature and Culture of the Americas (when content is Latin America)	3
ENGL:3525	Literature and Culture of the Americas	3
History		
LAS:3217/ HIST:3217/ LATS:3217	Latina/o/x Immigration	3
LAS:3501/ HIST:3501	Rebel Island: A History of Cuba	3

LAS:3502/ HIST:3502/ NAIS:3502	History of Mexico	3
LAS:3508/ GHS:3508/ HIST:3508	Disease and Health in Latin American History	3
LAS:3515/ HIST:3515	Introduction to Modern Latin America	3
Music		
LAS:2311/ MUS:2311	Music of Latin America and the Caribbean	3
MUS:3163	Iowa Steel Band	1
Political Science		
LAS:2415/ POLI:2415	Latin American Politics	3
LAS:3104/ LATS:3104/ POLI:3104	Immigration Politics	3
Portuguese		
LAS:2850/ PORT:2850/ SPAN:2850	Brazilian Narrative in Translation	3
Spanish		
LAS:2200/ SPAN:2200	Introduction to Spanish American Cultures	3
LAS:2500/ SPAN:2500	Readings in Spanish American Literature	3
LAS:2800/ SPAN:2800	Screening Latin America	3
LAS:3020/ JMC:3445/ SPAN:3020	Journalistic Writing in Spanish	3
LAS:3215/ SPAN:3215	Medellin	3
LAS:3225/ SPAN:3225	Latin American Women Writers	3
LAS:3310/ SPAN:3310	Spanish American Short Story	3
LAS:4390/ SPAN:4390	Topics in Spanish American Literature	3
LAS:4815/ SPAN:4815	Lost Childhoods: Marginal Children of Latin America	3
SPAN:1800	Writing and Writers From Latin America	3
SPAN:3060	Introductory Workshop on Creative Writing in Spanish	3
SPAN:3230	Modern Mexico	3
SPAN:3240	Mexico City	3
SPAN:3320	Spanish American Poetry	3
SPAN:3350	Contemporary Spanish American Literature	3
SPAN:4330	Colonial Spanish American Literature	3
SPAN:4950	Advanced Workshop on Creative Writing in Spanish	3

Rotating Topics

The focus of these courses changes from semester to semester. With prior approval, students may use these courses to satisfy requirements for the Latin American studies certificate or minor when the course focuses on Latin America.

Course #	Title	Hours
CINE:4618	Topics in World Cinemas	3
COMM:4157	Advanced Topics in Communication Studies	3
ENGL:4000	English Honors Literature Seminar	3
HIST:2151	Introduction to the History Major	3
SPAN:3290	Topics in Cinema and Society	3
SPAN:3370	Topics in Literatures and Cultures	3
SPAN:4850	Topics in Cultural Studies	3