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Latin American Studies: Minor Program College of Arts and Letters Center for International Studies and Programs





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About L.A.S. Minor Program

The Latin American Studies Minor Program provides students with the opportunity to explore a wide range of subjects relating to the Western Hemisphere through an interdisciplinary curriculum that draws from the colleges of Arts and Letters, Business and Public Administration, Education, Social and Behavioral Sciences and Natural Sciences. The international focus on Latin America adds an important global perspective to any major. The program offers physical and virtual resources to students and faculty interested in this area of the world. The Latin American Studies minor program can make a student more marketable as he/she gains more knowledge in areas of concern for today's global community.

• International knowledge base, understanding and mobility (wings)

• Cultural pride and respect [roots]: especially but not exclusively related to countries in the Western Hemisphere

• Physical and virtual resources/meeting place for students and faculty interested in the study of the Americas, including indigenous populations

• Interdisciplinary/allows a combination of different yet related disciplines

• International/multicultural perspective added to any major



Program Requirements

Students must meet general university admissions requirements. All majors are eligible to participate in this minor program.

Requirements for the minor

Students are required to have an international experience or equivalent as part of this minor. This experience can be gained through approved international language programs, internships, research, or study abroad options (including CSU International Programs). Credit may be granted for significant international experiences completed prior to starting to take courses toward this minor.

L.A.S. Activities at CSUSB

The Latin American Minor Program at CSUSB sponsors and cosponsors a variety of cultural activities throughout the academic year; events ranging from musical performances, lectures, study abroad fairs, Cinco de Mayo, Día Latino, Día de los Muertos and many others. CSUSB students are active participants in our cultural celebrations.

A premier event is the annual Latin American Conference/ Study of the Americas. This conference is intended to foster interest, knowledge and understanding of the very diverse cultures in Latin America. Colleagues from the United States and abroad share their areas of interest in Latin American art, music, indigenous languages, literatures, economics, politics, history and current issues.

Student Association (ALAS)

The Student Association of Latin American Studies (ALAS) promotes activities related to the Latin American Studies Minor and helps organize the annual 2-day conference held each spring.

Class Requirements [28 units] Core class requirements [8 units]

1. Four units chosen from HIST 470: Modern Latin America (4) HUM 335: The Origin and Contemporary Role of Latino Culture(4)

2. Four units of foreign language chosen from FLAN 103D: Language Study III-Portuguese (4) SPAN 103: College Spanish III (4)

International experience component [4 units]

1. Humanities 576: International Experience Latin American Studies (1-6) for a total of (4)

Elective requirements [16 units]

1. Sixteen units, with at least one course from groups A, B, and C

A. Social Sciences ANTH 306, 307, 324, 346, 354, 356 ECON 540 GEOG 312, 322 HIST 390, 395, 465, 466, 467, 469, 470, 494 PSCI 330 SOC 342, 442, 525, 590 SSCI 304

B. Arts, Languages, Literature, and Education

ART 324, 328, 329 **EELB 512** ENG 319, 323

*Note: Spanish courses at the 300-level and above are taught in Spanish

HUM 335, 460, 500A, 500B MUS 351 SPAN* 314, 316A, 316B, 316C, 316D, 316E, 322, 412, 435, 440, 442, 516

C. Business, Management, Communications, Health and Nutrition ADMN 590 COMM 364, 365, 366, 409, 471, 593D HSCI 344, 359, 385 MGMT 405, 406, 470

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