Latin American Studies

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The University of Oregon offers a bachelor of arts degree in Latin American studies. A minor in Latin American studies is also available. An emphasis on Latin America is available for master of arts (MA) degrees with majors in anthropology, history, global studies, and Spanish. See the Anthropology (http://catalog.uoregon.edu/arts_sciences/anthropology/), History (http://catalog.uoregon.edu/arts_sciences/history/), Global Studies (http://catalog.uoregon.edu/arts_sciences/internationalstudies/), and Romance Languages sections of this catalog.

Study Abroad

Students in University of Oregon overseas study programs enroll in courses with subject codes that are unique to individual programs. Special course numbers are reserved for overseas study. See the Study Abroad (http://catalog.uoregon.edu/supplementaryprograms/abroad/) section in the Supplementary Academic Programming section of this catalog.

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Michael Dreiling, sociology
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Linda O. Fuller, women’s and gender studies
Leonardo García-Pabón, Romance languages

Linda Kintz, English

• Bachelor of Arts
• Minor

Undergraduate Studies

Preparation

High school students who have taken courses in economics, history, political science, or other approaches to international affairs, or who have participated in extracurricular activities (such as the Oregon High School International Relations League) may be interested in Latin American studies.

Community college students who have taken courses in international relations may be interested in specializing in Latin American studies.

Careers

Career opportunities for students completing Latin American studies are available through such avenues as the Peace Corps, the U.S. Foreign Service (including the Information Agency), the foreign-aid programs of the United States government, the United Nations and other international organizations, private foundations, international businesses,
and international nongovernmental organizations (including church, human-rights, and environmental organizations).

**Bachelor of Arts Degree Requirements**

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One Required 400-Level Course 4

- LAS 407 Seminar: [Topic]
- or GLBL 446 Development and Social Change in Latin America
- or SPAN 490 20th-Century Latin American Literature: [Topic]

Two courses chosen from the following: 8

- SPAN 342 Hispanic Cultures through Literature II
- SPAN 343 Hispanic Cultures through Literature III
- SPAN 344 Hispanic Cultures through Literature IV

Two courses chosen from the following: 8

- HIST 380 Latin America
- HIST 381 Latin America
- HIST 382 Latin America, 1910 to the Present

Elective courses related to Latin America 1 20

- ANTH 329 Immigration and Farmworkers Political Culture
- ANTH 427M Latino Roots I
- ANTH 428M Latino Roots II
- ANTH 434 Native South Americans
- 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 Caribbean Literature and Politics
- 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 American 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 Aztecs and Incas
- HIST 483 Latin America: [Topic]
- J 427M Latino Roots I
- J 428M Latino Roots II
- MUS 359 Music of the Americas
- PHIL 342 Introduction to Latin American Philosophy

**Total Credits** 48

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**Additional Requirements**

Of the total 48 credits required for the Latin American studies major—

- 40 credits must be taken for a letter grade and passed with a grade of C- or better (8 credits may be taken pass/no pass)
- 36 credits must be upper-division (200 or 400-level)
- 28 credits must be taken at the University of Oregon's campus in Eugene, OR

- **Limit on Multiple Department Credits:** No more than 16 credits (or four courses) from any single department can count toward the major
- **Limit on LAS Credits Focused on United States Topics:** No more than 16 credits in courses related to United States Latino studies or US Hispanic culture or society can count toward the major.
- **Social Science Credits Required:** 8 of the 48 credits must be from the following Social Science units: ANTH, EC, ENVS, ES, EURO, GEOG, GLBL, PS, SOC, WGS.
- **Limit on Individualized Study Credits:** 8 credits maximum may be independent study or internship credit.

- **Allowances for Study Abroad and Study Away (i.e., Escuela Helvetia) 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, a faculty-led field school; transfer credits from universities outside Latin America are
considered individually, following existing procedures in appropriate
departments for determining their equivalence to UO courses.

Language Requirements
In addition to the minimum of 48 credits in required and elective courses,
all majors are required to demonstrate a third-year level of proficiency
in Spanish, Portuguese, or an Indigenous language from our area of
study. This will entail completing (with a grade of C– or better or P) the
basic two years of college-level language courses and taking at least four
300-level courses taught in the respective foreign language—such as
Cultura y Lengua: Identidades Hispanas (SPAN 301), Cultura y lengua: expresiones artísticas (SPAN 303), Cultura y lengua: cambios sociales
(SPAN 305), Hispanic Cultures through Literature III (SPAN 343), or
Hispanic Cultures through Literature IV (SPAN 344).

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Total Credits 28

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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.

Advising

Students who want a major or a minor in Latin American studies should complete the add major/minor request form on the program website. The first point of contact for advising for Latin American Studies students is the Global Connections advising flight path in Tykeson Hall. Referrals are made by Tykeson advisors to the Latin American Studies program director when needed. Program staff work with the program director to determine which courses offered during any given academic year may be applied to requirements for the degree or minor.

Four-Year Degree Plan

The degree plan shown is only a sample of how students may complete their degrees in four years. There are alternative ways. Its purpose is to provide an example of one possible route through the Latin American studies major.

This degree plan is for general planning purposes only and, due to the interdisciplinary nature of the major, it is imperative that students speak with advisors to determine which courses would best match their personal, professional, and academic goals.

Bachelor of Arts in Latin American Studies

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Total Credits 48
Course Title Credits Milestones
Fourth Year
Fall
SPAN 344 Hispanic Cultures through Literature IV 4
General-education course in science 4
Elective courses 8
Credits 16
Winter
SPAN 342 Hispanic Cultures through Literature II 4
General-education, non-Spanish arts and letters course 4
Elective courses 8
Credits 16
Spring
PS 330 Governments and Politics in Latin America 4
Elective courses 8
Credits 12
Total Credits 44

Graduate Studies

Specialization in Latin American studies at the graduate level is possible in a number of departments in the College of Arts and Sciences. Anthropology, economics, history, global studies, political science, sociology, and Spanish (in the Romance languages department) have faculty members who are competent and interested in the area. It is possible to arrange graduate degree programs in these departments with a concentration in Latin American studies.

Courses

LAS 199. Special Studies: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable twice when topic changes for a maximum of 15 credits.

LAS 200. Introduction to Latin American Studies. 4 Credits.
Introduction to the history, peoples, and cultures of Latin America and of the Latino population in the United States.

LAS 211. Latin American Humanities: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Focuses on the comparative study of Latin American cultural and intellectual traditions. Introduces scholarship in the humanities about Latin American and U.S. Latinos. Repeatable once for a maximum of 8 credits when topic changes.

LAS 399. Special Studies: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable twice when topic changes for a maximum of 15 credits.

LAS 400M. Temporary Multilisted Course. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable.

LAS 401. Research: [Topic]. 1-4 Credits.
Repeatable.

LAS 403. Thesis. 1-4 Credits.
Repeatable.

LAS 404. Internship: [Topic]. 1-12 Credits.
Repeatable.

LAS 405. Reading and Conference: [Topic]. 1-4 Credits.
Repeatable.

LAS 407. Seminar: [Topic]. 4 Credits.
Repeatable.

LAS 410. Experimental Course: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable twice when topic changes for a maximum of 15 credits.

LAS 500M. Temporary Multilisted Course. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable.

LAS 510. Experimental Course: [Topic]. 1-5 Credits.
Repeatable twice when topic changes for a maximum of 15 credits.