

Latin American & Latino/a Studies AA Major - Active

Department: Latin American & Latino/a Studies

Approval: November 2012

The Latin American and Latino/a Studies major is a program that offers courses in the Humanities, Ethnic Studies, Area Studies and Social Sciences. Oriented toward serving our diverse student body, our courses will allow students to fulfill transfer requirements to CSU, UC and other private universities. The major is comprised of core units and elective units. In the core units of the LALS major, students gain a foundation on the history, culture, and politics of Latin America and Latinos in the Americas. In addition, students will complete more specialized courses allowing the major to reflect student's individual interests. Upon completion of the major, students will be able to integrate writing, research and presentation skills necessary for the successful attainment of a university degree.

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Understand and analyze the Latino/a national and transnational experience in the state of California and the United States.
- Understand and analyze the political, social, cultural and economic realities of Latin America and its people.
- Understand and analyze the intersections of race, class, gender, ethnicity and sexuality within Latina/o experience in the United States and Latin America.
- To apply theories and methodologies in Latin American and Latino.

Assuming students start this AA with transfer-level math and English eligibility, the minimum time for completion is 4 semesters. Completion time will vary based on student preparation and number of units completed per semester.

Courses Required for the Major in Latin American & Latino/a Studies AA

Course	Units
Required courses:	
LALS 1 - Latino/a Diaspora: The Impact of Latinos Living in the United States	3.00
LALS 10 - Latinas in the U.S./VOCES	3.00
ANTH 11 - Latin American Cultures and Societies	3.00
Total:	9.00
Choose one of the following History of Latin America courses:	
HIST 18A - The Colonial History of Latin America	3.00
HIST 18B - History of Latin America	3.00
Total:	3.00
Choose 9 units from the following courses in either Option 1: Humanities or 2: Social Science/Ethnic Studies/Area Studies	
COURSES APPLICABLE TO EITHER OPTION 1 OR OPTION 2:	
LALS 14 - Diego Rivera; Art and Social Change in Latin America	3.00
One of the History of Latin America courses not completed above.	3.00
LALS 70 - Individual Study in Latin American and Latino/a Studies	1.00 - 3.00
COURSES APPLICABLE TO OPTION 1: HUMANITIES	
MUS 25 - Music of Latin America and the Caribbean	3.00
ART 105 - Ancient Art and Architecture of Latin America	3.00
ART 106 - Latin American Art History	3.00
DANC 155A - Beginning Salsa and Latin Dance	1.00
DANC 155B - Intermediate Salsa and Latin Dances	1.00
COURSES APPLICABLE TO OPTION 2: SOCIAL SCIENCE/ETHNIC STUDIES/AREA STUDIES	
LALS 9/LGBT 9 - The Latin American and Latina/o LGBT Experience	3.00
LALS 11 - Drug Wars in the Americas	3.00
LALS 13 - Latin American & Latino/a Cross-Border Social Movements	3.00
LALS 15 - Latin American Workers in the Americas	3.00

HIST 20 - History of Mexico	3.00
HIST 21 - History of the Mexican American/Chicano	3.00
POLS 18 - Government & Politics of Latin America	3.00
Total:	9.00
Total:	21.00

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