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MISSION

The Bachelor of Arts in Latin American Studies supports and furthers the California State University's commitment to diversity, internationalization, and inclusion. The major is designed to offer an interdisciplinary area studies program that provides students the opportunity to take courses in several departments, introducing them to different perspectives and approaches to the study of Latin America.



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BACHELOR OF ARTS IN LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The B.A. in Latin American Studies will prepare students for a wide variety of jobs in different fields, including:

- the private sector, with an emphasis in international business or specialized focus on Latin America
- government agencies
- international agency service
- the nonprofit sector
- teaching in the social science, humanities, or language fields
- graduate work

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

The B.A. requires a minimum of 120 units, which includes courses for the major, General Education, electives, and all university requirements.

Students seeking a B.A. degree in Latin American Studies must be in good standing with the university and must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.75. Majors need to develop proficiency in either Spanish or Portuguese by graduation. As part of the program, students are strongly encouraged to spend a semester abroad in Latin America, Spain, or Portugal, which is often possible through available financial aid resources.

DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES

Students seeking the B.A. degree will take a core set of courses offered by the Departments of Chicano and Latin American Studies, History, and Economics.

Chicano & Latin American Studies

CLAS 70: Introduction to Latin American Studies

CLAS 114: Mexico and the Southwest 1810-1910

CLAS 115: Mexico-U.S. Relations Since 1910

CLAS 170: Latin American Studies

CLAS 171: Brazilian Culture and Society

History

HIST 8: Republics of Latin America

HIST 162: South America

HIST 165: Modern Mexico

HIST 166: United States - Latin American Diplomacy

HIST 183: The Hispanic Southwest

Economics

ECON 114: Economic Development of Poor Nations

ECON 181: Political Economy of Latin America

For more information on the Bachelor's degree in Latin American or Chicano and Latin American Studies, please visit our webpage:

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COURSES

Students will also take a range of courses from the following departments and programs:

Anthropology

ANTHRO 130: Peoples and Cultures of the Southwest

ANTHRO 141: Prehistory of North America

ANTHRO 143: Archaeology and Prehistory of California

Art History

ARTH 170: Native North America

ARTH 173: Pre-Columbian Mexico

ARTH 175: Pre-Columbian Andes

Geography

GEOG 173: The American West

Modern and Classical Languages and Literature

SPAN 125: Hispanic Culture

SPAN 129: Mexican Culture

SPAN 143: Introduction to Spanish-American Literature

SPAN 145: Mexican Literature

SPAN 147: Twentieth Century Spanish-American Literature

Political Science

PLSI 146T: Area Studies in Latin America

PLSI 148: Latin American Politics