

LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES MINOR

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| Spanish Proficiency demonstrated with a C or higher in SPA 217 (or a 300- or 400-level SPA course) | | |
| Social Science and History - select 3 courses (students must take courses from two different departments/disciplines) | | 9 |
| PSC 150 | Comparative Government and Politics | |
| PSC 241 | Human Rights and Globalization | |
| PSC 250 | Politics in Latin America | |
| PSC 360 | Political Economy of the Developing World | |
| PSC 370 | Domestic Conflicts & Peace | |
| HIS 263 | Wars of Latin America | |
| HIS 264 | Latin American History to 1830 | |
| HIS 265 | Latin American History Since 1830 | |
| HIS 365 | U.S.-Latin American Relations since 1898 | |
| Language, Literature, and Culture - select 3 courses (students must take courses from two different departments/disciplines) | | 9 |
| SPA 217 | Intro Comp Panorama SocioCultural Latinoamericano | |
| Any SPA course at 300- or 400-level | | |
| FAH 103 | Survey of Pre-Columbian and Native American Art | |
| FAM 123 | World Musics | |
| Total Credits | | 18 |

Minors are an important part of the undergraduate curriculum. If students declare a minor by sophomore year, they can usually complete it in a timely manner. Students should work with their advisor to determine if it is possible that the minor can be completed by graduation.

To receive a minor, a student must complete at least 9 credit hours of coursework distinct from their major(s) and from other minors, and students must complete more than 50% of the coursework required for the minor at Canisius. Please note that “ancillary/supporting” courses required for a major may still count as distinct courses as long as the remaining coursework still meets the 30 credit-hours required for a major. For more information about minor policies, please see the Declaring Majors and Minors (<http://catalog.canisius.edu/undergraduate/academics/student-records/declaring-majors-minors/>) page in the catalog.

Learning Goals and Objectives

Student Learning Goal 1

Latin American Studies minor allows students to think critically about Latin American societies, governments, and policies through both historical and contemporary lenses.

Students will:

- Objective A: Interpret important political concepts, theories, events, actors, and processes pertinent to Latin American analyses;
- Objective B: Apply knowledge of Latin American history and diverse cultures to contemporary social and political themes;
- Objective C: Identify regional political, social, and economic trends and the impact of colonialism, globalization, and U.S. foreign policy towards Latin America.

Student Learning Goal 2

Latin American Studies minor curriculum uses research to articulate ideas and arguments clearly and effectively in the field of Latin American Studies.

Students will:

- Objective A: Integrate knowledge from different academic disciplines into a coherent paper, presentation or project that addresses a topic in Latin American Studies;
- Objective B: Conduct independent research and follow appropriate formats in documenting resources;
- Objective C: Communicate information, ideas, and research results effectively.

Student Learning Goal 3

Latin American Studies minor provides students with the skills to communicate in a modern language that is appropriate to the area of studies and necessary for professional success.

Students will:

- Objective A: Display competency of a Latin American language at the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) intermediate level.