Latin American Studies Minor

**General Requirement**

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<td>Spanish Proficiency demonstrated with a C or higher in SPA 217 (or a 300- or 400-level SPA course)</td>
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Social Science and History - select 3 courses (students must take courses from two different departments/disciplines)  
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- 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 131 Latin American History to 1830
- HIS 132 Latin American History since 1830
- HIS 263 Wars of Latin America
- HIS 365 U.S.-Latin American Relations since 1898
- HON 223 Religion, Politics, & the Presidency
- IGR 302 Jesuits in Argentina
- MGT 475 Doing Business in Latin America

Language, Literature, and Culture - select 3 courses (students must take courses from two different departments/disciplines)  
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- PORT 103 Intro Brazilian Portuguese I
- SPA 217 Introduction to Spanish Composition
- Any SPA course at 300- or 400-level
- FAH 103 Survey of Pre-Columbian and Native American Art
- FAM 123 World Musics
- FAM 224 Afro-Centric Music
- HON 381 Contemporary Literary Movements
- IGR 302 Jesuits in Argentina
- PHI 286 Latin American Philosophy

**Learning Goals & 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.