

Latin American Studies, Minor

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Latin American Studies has come a long way from its foundations more than fifty years ago to forge new and critical questions about Latin American and hemispheric identity, diversity, borders, sustainability and social justice. Rapid environmental change, transnational political movements, and global migration to and through the region are just some of the shared issues between North and South America (including the Caribbean), with widespread implications. Understanding this area, its history and its cultures also opens the door to a better understanding of the U.S. Latino/a/x population, which now constitutes nearly one-fifth of our country's population. The goals of the Latin American Studies (INLA) major, as well as the INLA minor, are to foster interdisciplinary study and research in topics related to Latin American Studies, to promote the interaction of Marquette students with Latin American communities both in Milwaukee and abroad and to advance the pursuit of social justice in the region. A degree in INLA provides advantages to job-seeking graduates in a variety of fields, including international diplomacy, international aid and development, business, banking, local and international nongovernmental organizations, journalism, health care, law, immigration services and more. The INLA major can easily be completed in four years regardless of whether or not the student enters Marquette with Spanish language proficiency.

Latin American Studies Minor

The minor in Latin American Studies consists of 18 credit hours: Required Foundation courses (9 credit hours), one course from each of the Content Areas (6 credit hours) and one elective course (3 credit hours).

Note: Students must demonstrate a competency in a second language through the intermediate (2002 or 2003) level. This proficiency can be established through Spanish language course work at Marquette or through a Spanish language proficiency exam approved by Marquette's Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Foundation Courses: (9 credit hours)		
Choose one of the following:		3
HIST 1301	History of Latin America	
POSC 4541	Latin American Politics	
Choose one of the following:		3
SPAN 3210	Hispanic Cultures and Literatures in English	
SPAN 3310	Peoples and Cultures of Latin America	
SPAN 4320	Latin American and Latinx Contemporary Issues	
Choose one additional Foundation Course		3
Required Content Area Courses: (6 credit hours)		
History, Economics & Politics: Choose one of the following.		3
ECONI 3040	Global Applied Learning Project: Applied Global Business Learning ¹	
ECON 4047	Development Economics	
HIST 1301	History of Latin America	
HIST 1701	Engaging the World ²	
HIST 4310	Colonial Latin America	
HIST 4350	The Caribbean	
HIST 4355	History of Mexico	
POSC 4541	Latin American Politics	
POSC 4633	Human Security	
POSC 4661	The Political Economy of Development	
Culture, Society & Language: Choose one of the following.		3
PHIL 3390	Latin American Philosophy	
SOWJ 2150	Immigrants and their Communities	
SOWJ 4700	Global Aid and Humanitarianism	
SPAN 3210	Hispanic Cultures and Literatures in English	
SPAN 3310	Peoples and Cultures of Latin America	
SPAN 3530	Film and Society in Spanish	
SPAN 3650	The Transnational Game: Soccer, Social Justice and National Identity	
SPAN 4320	Latin American and Latinx Contemporary Issues	
SPAN 4520	Hispanic Studies: Latin America and Latinx	

THEO 3430	Introduction to Latin American Theology	
Elective Course: Choose any of the Foundation or Content Area courses not yet completed or one of the following.		3
HIST 4127	Midwestern Latinx Communities	
LLAC 1001	Introduction to Latinx Studies	
SPAN 3540	U.S. Latinx Literature	
SPAN 4110	Linguistic Approaches to Spanish Grammar	
SPAN 4120	Spanish Phonetics	
SPAN 4130	Spanish Pragmatics: Language Use in Context	
SPAN 4450	Afro-Hispanic and Afro-Latinx Literatures and Cultures	
SPAN 4600	Trends in Colonial Latin American Literature	
SPAN 4610	Building Nations and Identities in Latin American Literature	
SPAN 4615	Latin American Poetry, Music and Visual Arts	
SPAN 4620	Trends in Contemporary Latin American Literature	
SPAN 4705	Advanced Spanish for Business	
THEO 3440	Latin America and the Martyrs	

Total Credit Hours: 18

- 1 Travel must be to a Latin American country.
- 2 Requires approval of program director as focus of course varies by instructor.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Cognate Courses (0-15 credits)		0-15
Two years of college-level proficiency in Spanish via course work or placement.		
SPAN 1001 & SPAN 1002	Elementary Spanish 1 and Elementary Spanish 2	
Or		
SPAN 1003	Intensive Elementary Spanish	
And		
SPAN 2001 & SPAN 2002	Intermediate Spanish 1 and Intermediate Spanish 2	
Or		
SPAN 2003	Intensive Intermediate Spanish	
Total Credit Hours:		0-15

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