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.

### Required Foundation Courses: (9 credit hours)

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### Required Content Area Courses: (6 credit hours)

**History, Economics & Politics:** Choose one of the following.

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**Culture, Society & Language:** Choose one of the following.

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<td>The Transnational Game: Soccer, Social Justice and National Identity</td>
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<td>Latin American and Latinx Contemporary Issues</td>
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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.

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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.

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