Latin American Studies

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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. Environmental crises, such as the continued extraction of petroleum from the Amazonian rainforest, and recent events, such as the normalization of relations with Cuba, have widespread implications. Understanding this area and its cultures also opens the door to a better understanding of the US Latino population, now nearly 1/5 of our country’s population, by both non-Latinos and Latinos, who often want to know more about their heritage. 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, 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 Major

The major in Latin American Studies requires 33 credits consisting of the following: three Required Foundation Courses as outlined below (9 credits), two courses from each of the two Content Areas (12 credits), and four Elective Courses (12 credits). One of the courses counted toward the major must be a service learning course, and a maximum of 9 credits of SPAN courses can count as elective courses. A course can apply to only one requirement area (Foundation, Content Area or Electives)

#### Required Foundation Courses (9 credits)

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**Choose one additional Foundation course. (3 credits)**

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#### Required Content Area Courses (12 credits)

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

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

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#### Elective Courses (12 credits)

Any of the Foundation or Content Area courses not yet completed.

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**Total Credit Hours**: 33

* Travel must be to a Latin American country.

### Required Cognate Courses (0-10 credits)

Two years of college-level proficiency in Spanish via course work or placement.

- **SPAN 1003**: Intensive Elementary Spanish
- **SPAN 2001**: Intermediate Spanish 1
- **SPAN 2002**: Intermediate Spanish 2
- **SPAN 2003**: Intensive Intermediate Spanish

**Total Credit Hours**: 0-10

### 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)

- **Choose one of the following:**
  - HIST 1301: Survey of Latin America
  - POSC 4541: Latin American Politics

- **Choose one of the following:**
  - 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 credits

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

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

- **ECON 4047**: Development Economics
- **HIST 1301**: Survey of Latin America
- **HIST 4310**: Colonial Latin America
- **HIST 4355**: History of Mexico
- **SPAN 4541**: Latin American Politics
- **POSC 4561**: Politics of the Developing World
- **POSC 4633**: Human Security
- **POSC 4661**: The Political Economy of Development
- **POSC 4741**: United States-Latin American Relations

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

- **Total Credit Hours**: 3

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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 4310  Film and Society in Spanish
SPAN 4320  Latin American and Latinx Contemporary Issues

Elective Course: Choose any of the Foundation or Content Area courses not yet completed or one of the following. (3 credit hours)

SPAN 4110  Structure of Spanish from a Linguistic Perspective
SPAN 4120  Spanish Phonetics
SPAN 4400  U.S. Latinx Literature
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
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Total Credit Hours 18

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Or

SPAN 2003  Intensive Intermediate Spanish

Total Credit Hours 0-10