Latinx Studies

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Latinx Studies is an interdisciplinary field focusing on the people, cultures and communities of those of Hispanic and/or Latin American descent in the United States. While Latin American Studies takes a hemispheric approach that may focus on a specific country or region and can include any disciplinary methodology, Latinx Studies is an interdisciplinary field within Race and Ethnic Studies that focuses on the Latinx experience in the United States.

Latinx Studies provides Marquette students with a better understanding of the variety of Latinx cultures that exist in the United States and the diverse cultural and historical contributions that Latinx populations have made to this country. These experiences are considered within the context of contemporary and historical political realities that shape issues ranging from immigration and citizenship, law and justice, health care, education, policing, and gender to questions concerning freedoms of speech, assembly and expression. Knowledge of Spanish is not required for this program; interested students may choose, however, to take courses in Spanish to fulfill program requirements.

Latinx Studies Minor

Only two courses may be taken in a single discipline for the minor. Four total disciplines must be represented in student course work. Eighteen credit hours are required to complete the minor. Students must complete one required Latinx Studies course, one required Comparative Race, Ethnic and Indigenous Studies course, a minimum of two Latinx Studies primary courses, and two Latinx Studies electives. The required Latinx Studies and Comparative Race, Ethnic and Indigenous Studies courses provide students with the critical methodology needed to proceed in this field. Following the completion of this requirement, students are prepared to undertake course work devoted to Latinx content while exploring other disciplinary interests within the field.

**Code** | **Title** | **Hours**
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**Required Latinx Studies Course**
LLAC 1001 | Introduction to Latinx Studies | 3
**Required Race, Ethnic and Indigenous Studies Course - Complete one of the following:**
ENGL 4810 | Comparative Race and Ethnic Studies | 3
REIS 1001 | Introduction to Race, Ethnic and Indigenous Studies | 3
**Latinx Studies Primary Courses - Complete two of the following:**
HIST 1701 | Engaging the World ¹ | 1
HIST 4120 | American Immigration | 3
HIST 4125 | Latinx Civil Rights Movements | 3
HIST 4320 | United States-Latin American Relations | 3
PHIL 3390 | Latin American Philosophy | 3
POSC 4931 | Topics in Political Science ¹ | 3
SOWJ 2150 | Immigrants and their Communities | 3
SPAN 4400 | U.S. Latinx Literature ² | 3
SPAN 4150 | Spanish in the United States ² | 3
HEAL 1931 | Topics in Health Care (Migration and Health: Mexico and the US) | 3
**Latinx Studies Electives - Complete two of the following:**
ADPR 4750 | Strategic Communication in a Culturally Diverse Marketplace | 3
ENGL 4820 | Studies in Critical Race and Ethnic Studies | 3
HEAL 1025 | Culture and Health | 3
HIST 1301 | History of Latin America | 3
HIST 4115 | The American West | 3
HIST 4350 | The Caribbean | 3
HIST 4355 | History of Mexico | 3
POSC 4361 | Politics of Race, Ethnicity, and Gender | 3
PSYC 3210 | The Psychology of Prejudice | 3
SOCI 3550 | Race, Gender and Medicine | 3
SPAN 3005 | Advanced Communication in Spanish for Heritage Speakers ² | 3
SPAN 3505 | Introduction to Literary Analysis in Spanish for Heritage and Native Speakers ² | 3
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**Total Credit Hours:** 18

1. Requires approval of program director as focus of course varies.
2. Course taught in Spanish.