

LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES MAJOR

The Latin American Studies Major, part of the International & Area Studies IDP, allows students to analyze the area (or a subregion, e.g., South America, Central America, Southern Cone, Amazonia, or the Caribbean) from an interdisciplinary and modern perspective. The major seeks to ground students in broad international issues which they can then use to focus on particular concerns of that part of the world.

Preparation for the Major: 6 courses, plus language requirement

Preparation Courses

- ❑ **Introduction to International & Area Studies** (1 course)
International & Area Studies 1
- ❑ **International Societies & Cultures** (2 courses)
Anthropology 9 • Comparative Literature 1D (or 2DW or 4DW) • Ethnomusicology 5, 25 • Geography 3 • History 2B, 22 • World Arts & Cultures 20, 33
- ❑ **International Politics & Markets** (2 courses)
Economics 1, 2 • Geography 4, 6 • Political Science 50 (or 50R) • Sociology 1
- ❑ **Area Preparation** (1 course)
History 8A (or 8AH), 8B, 8C, 97E • International & Area Studies 50 • Portuguese 40B, 46 • Spanish 44
- ❑ **Foreign Language-Two Languages at Intermediate Level** (Up to 8 courses)
Completion of the intermediate year of any two modern foreign languages related to the area (e.g., Portuguese 3 or 11B; Spanish 5 or 7A; an indigenous language of Latin America, e.g., Quechua, Nahuatl, Zapotec, through that level). *The language requirement can also be fulfilled in part or in total via a placement exam given through the appropriate language department.*

Admission to the Major: UCLA students must apply to the Latin American Studies major. The application period is the end of the Fall Quarter of the Junior Year. By the end of that term, students must have completed all preparation courses* with a minimum UC GPA in these courses of 2.00. Admission to the Latin American Studies major is on a competitive basis, using the preparation requirements as a minimum standard for consideration. Note that meeting minimum qualifications does not guarantee admission to the Latin American Studies major.

*Completion of the elementary year of one of the two foreign languages is acceptable when applying for the major. Completion of the intermediate year of both foreign languages is required to fulfill all preparation requirements, but can be done after being accepted to the major. The minimum prep GPA of 2.00 will still need to be met with the inclusion of these courses.

The Major: 12 Upper Division Courses

International Themes

- ❑ **International Societies & Cultures** (2 courses)
Anthropology 130, 150, 161, 167 • Art History C160 • Communication Studies 179 • Comparative Literature 100 • Environment M133 • Film & TV 110C, 112 • Geography M109, 110, 133, 138, 142, 147, 151, 159C • History M187B • Honors Collegium M152 • International Development Studies 110 • Sociology 116, 151, 154, 191D, 191F • World Arts & Cultures M130
- ❑ **International Politics & Markets** (2 courses)
Anthropology 153P • Economics 111, 112, 121, 122 • Environment M134 • Geography M128, 140, 148 • International Development Studies 130 • Management 109, 127C • Political Science 120B, 122A, M122B, 123A, 124A, 125A, 126, 129, 134, 137A, 138B, 150, 166, M167C, 167D, 168 • Sociology 182, 183 • Urban Planning M165

Area Studies-Group 1

❑ Humanities & Arts (3 courses)

Art History C142A, C142B, 144 • Comparative Literature 177 • Ethnomusicology 107, M108A, 108B, 113, 161K+ • Film & Television 106C • Music M131 • Portuguese 130A, 130B, C132, C133, C134, C135, 141B, 142A, 142B • Spanish 120 • World Arts & Cultures C139

❑ Social Sciences (3 courses)

Afro-American Studies M154C, M178 • Anthropology 173Q, 174P • Chicano Studies 111, 117, 132, C141, 143, 151, 169 • Community Health Sciences 132 • Gender Studies M147C • Geography 114, 181, 182A, 182B • History 159, 160A, 160B, 162A, 162B, 162C • Labor & Workplace Studies M125, M144 • Political Science 124C, 154A, 154B • Public Health M106 • Sociology 186, 191J

❑ Additional Elective (1 course)

One additional course selected from the Area Studies-Group 1 courses listed above.

Area Studies-Group 2

The Area Studies Electives listed in Group 1 focus on contemporary issues of that region (post-1750). However, students may substitute a maximum of 3 upper division courses focusing on earlier historical aspects of the region or on diasporas with origins related to the region toward the Area Studies Electives as long the distribution between Social Sciences and Humanities & Arts is maintained. These may be selected from the following list:

Humanities & Arts:

Art History C139A, C139B, C141 • Chicano Studies M105D, M105E, 109, 142 • Ethnomusicology M116 • Portuguese C131, 143A

Social Sciences:

Anthropology 114P, 114R • Chicano Studies M119, M159B, 184, M187 • History 157A, 157B

Capstone Course

❑ International & Area Studies Senior Seminar (1 course)

International & Area Studies 191: Variable Topics in International & Area Studies: Senior Seminar

*Note that students may partially fulfill the Area Studies Elective requirement by participating in an **International Institute Summer Travel Study program**. These programs consist of two courses in and on a particular region of the world. Please consult the Academic Counselor for more information on available programs.*

- ❖ All courses used towards the major (including preparation for the major courses) must be taken for a letter grade.
- ❖ The minimum UC GPA for preparation courses is 2.00. The minimum GPA for upper division courses is 2.00.
- ❖ Students may choose to focus their area studies courses on a subregion (e.g., South America, Central America, Southern Cone, Amazonia, or the Caribbean) but are strongly encouraged not to focus solely on a single country.
- ❖ Courses designated with a "+" are 2-unit courses and must either be taken twice- or two courses from the same category (if applicable) may be taken- to count as one 4-unit course.

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