

LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN STUDIES

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Program

The Cornell University Latin American and Caribbean Studies Program (LACS) is an interdisciplinary program for Cornell students, faculty, staff, community members, and academic visitors with interests in Latin America and the Caribbean. LACS (formerly LASP) was founded in 1961. It is part of the Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies located in 190 Uris Hall. LACS has 39 core and 60 affiliated faculty from across Cornell's colleges and professional schools, including disciplines in the humanities, social sciences, law, and natural sciences. LACS expands the intellectual presence of Latin America and the Caribbean across campus by organizing an array of activities related to the region, including a weekly seminar series run by our Graduate Fellows, with presentations by local, national, and international scholars; workshops, films, symposia, and conferences; initiatives to take undergraduate students on experiential field study trips to Latin America and the Caribbean; grant programs for graduate student field research and undergraduate internships or undergraduate senior thesis research; a Latin American Studies undergraduate minor and a graduate minor certificate.

Undergraduate Minor

The undergraduate minor in Latin American Studies requires language proficiency as demonstrated by successful completion of SPAN 2095 (or having tested out of SPAN 2095) or PORT 2010/PORT 2020 or higher (non-FLAC course).

An additional minimum of 15 credits in Latin American and Caribbean Studies courses need to be completed from course selections that represent at least two fields (two different departments), including one course from an advanced level (3000 or 4000).

If you have studied abroad in a Spanish- or Portuguese-speaking country and want the credits to be evaluated for the minor, please contact the LACS Program Manager (at lacs@cornell.edu). The list of approved minor language and elective courses (<https://einaudi.cornell.edu/programs/latin-american-studies-program/academics/courses/>) is available on the Latin American and Caribbean Studies website. This list includes all LATA cross-listed courses as well as courses in other colleges and schools that have at least fifty percent or more Latin American content. Quechua I and Quechua II courses count as fulfilling elective course credits in any year that they are offered.

While not a course requirement for a Latin American Studies undergraduate minor, we encourage students to take at least one semester of LATA 4000. Courses on our website list related to the Caribbean count towards the elective credits for a Latin American Studies minor.

Graduate Minor

The graduate minor in Latin American Studies is earned by completing the following requirements:

1. The graduate student should select a member of the Graduate Field in Latin American Studies to serve on their special committee. Find the selection of LAS Graduate Field Members on the Latin American Studies page (<https://gradschool.cornell.edu/academics/fields-of-study/field/latin-american-studies-minor/>) of the Graduate School website.
2. Graduate students must comply with the Graduate School's Code of Legislation.
3. The graduate student must complete the Graduate Student Minor form (available by email from the Latin American Studies program at: lacs@cornell.edu, Subject Line: "Grad Minor Applic."

While there is no specific course credit requirement for the Latin American Studies graduate minor, we encourage at least one semester of LATA 6000.

Related Courses

Latin American and Caribbean Studies - Area

Code	Title	Hours
AEM 2300	International Trade and Finance	3
AEM 6600	Natural Resources and Economic Development	3
AEM 6960	Perspectives in Global Development	1
AIIS 4300	Indigenous Peoples and Decolonial Philosophies	3
AIIS 6300	Indigenous Peoples and Decolonial Philosophies	3
AMST 2460	Contemporary Narratives by Latina Writers	3
AMST 3715	Colonialism and Anticolonialism	3
AMST 3820	Poetry and Poetics of the Americas	3
AMST 6424	Ethnoracial Identity in Anthropology, Language, and Law	4
AMST 6703	Asians in the Americas: A Comparative Perspective	3
ANTHR 1200	Ancient Peoples and Places	4
ANTHR 1400	Introduction to Sociocultural Anthropology	3

ANTHR 1900	Global Engagements: Living and Working in a Diverse World	3	ECON 2300	International Trade and Finance	3
ANTHR 2421	Worlding Sex and Gender	3	ECON 3040	Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory	4
ANTHR 3232	Politics of the Past	4	ENGL 3910	Poetry and Poetics of the Americas	3
ANTHR 3255	Ancient Mexico and Central America	3	FGSS 2421	Worlding Sex and Gender	3
ANTHR 3256	Ancient Civilizations of the Andes	3	FGSS 2460	Contemporary Narratives by Latina Writers	3
ANTHR 4256	Time and History in Ancient Mexico	3	GDEV 3290	Comparative Politics of Latin America	4
ANTHR 4268	Aztecs and Their Empire: Myth, History, and Politics	3	GDEV 3700	Comparative Social Inequalities	3
ANTHR 4403	Ethnographic Field Methods	3	GDEV 4140	Global Cropping Systems and Sustainable Development	3
ANTHR 6255	Ancient Mexico and Central America	3	GDEV 4940	Special Topics in Global Development	1-3
ANTHR 6256	Maya History	3	GDEV 6960	Perspectives in Global Development	1
ANTHR 6424	Ethnoracial Identity in Anthropology, Language, and Law	4	GDEV 8720	Graduate Level Ind Study in Development Studies	1-9
ANTHR 6703	Asians in the Americas: A Comparative Perspective	3	GOVT 1313	Introduction to Comparative Government and Politics	4
ANTHR 7250	Time and History in Ancient Mexico	3	GOVT 1817	Making Sense of World Politics	4
ANTHR 7256	Ancient Civilizations of the Andes	3	GOVT 3293	Comparative Politics of Latin America	4
ANTHR 7268	Aztecs and Their Empire: Myth, History, and Politics	3	GOVT 3715	Colonialism and Anticolonialism	3
ARKEO 1200	Ancient Peoples and Places	4	GOVT 6067	Field Seminar in International Relations	4
ARKEO 3232	Politics of the Past	4	GOVT 6827	China, Tibet and Xinjiang	4
ARKEO 3255	Ancient Mexico and Central America	3	GOVT 6857	International Political Economy	4
ARKEO 3256	Ancient Civilizations of the Andes	3	GOVT 6897	International Security	4
ARKEO 4256	Time and History in Ancient Mexico	3	HADM 4380	Culture and Cuisine	3
ARKEO 4268	Aztecs and Their Empire: Myth, History, and Politics	3	HADM 4620	Intercultural Communication in Global Business	3
ARKEO 6255	Ancient Mexico and Central America	3	HIST 1950	The Invention of the Americas	4
ARKEO 6256	Maya History	3	HIST 1960	Modern Latin America	4
ARKEO 7250	Time and History in Ancient Mexico	3	HIST 3060	Modern Mexico: A Global History	4
ARKEO 7256	Ancient Civilizations of the Andes	3	JWST 4540	Moses Maimonides	3
ARKEO 7268	Aztecs and Their Empire: Myth, History, and Politics	3	LATA 1950	The Invention of the Americas	4
ARTH 3550	Modern and Contemporary Latin American Art	3	LATA 1960	Modern Latin America	4
ARTH 6566	Art and Architecture of the Pre-Columbian Americas	3	LATA 2170	Early Modern Iberian Survey	3
ASRC 4151	Negrismo, Negritude and Surrealism in the Caribbean	2	LATA 2200	Perspectives on Latin America	3
BEE 3710	Physical Hydrology for Ecosystems	3	LATA 2800	Perspectives on Brazil	3
BEE 6940	Graduate Special Topics in Biological and Environmental Engineering	1-4	LATA 3010	Latinx Theatre Production	1-3
BIOEE 2526	Ecology and Conservation of Wildlife in the Neotropics II	1	LATA 3060	Modern Mexico: A Global History	4
BIOEE 2527	Neotropical Wildlife Biology	1	LATA 3100	Advanced Portuguese I	3
BIOEE 2641	Tropical Field Ornithology II	1.5	LATA 3256	Ancient Civilizations of the Andes	3
BIOEE 7600	Special Topics in Evolution and Ecology	1-3	LATA 3290	Comparative Politics of Latin America	4
COML 2032	Contemporary Narratives by Latina Writers	3	LATA 3550	Ancient Mexico and Central America	3
COML 3010	Latinx Theatre Production	1-3	LATA 3613	Cornell Steel Band	1
COML 3800	Poetry and Poetics of the Americas	3	LATA 3680	Modern and Contemporary Latin American Art	3
COML 4364	Negrismo, Negritude and Surrealism in the Caribbean	2	LATA 3800	Poetry and Poetics of the Americas	3
CRP 5660	Planning and Preservation Practice: Urban Field Trip	1	LATA 4250	Time and History in Ancient Mexico	3
EAS 7930	Earth Science Seminar	1	LATA 4268	Aztecs and Their Empire: Myth, History, and Politics	3
			LATA 4970	Independent Study in Latin American Studies	1-3
			LATA 6255	Ancient Mexico and Central America	3
			LATA 6256	Maya History	3
			LATA 7250	Time and History in Ancient Mexico	3
			LATA 7256	Ancient Civilizations of the Andes	3
			LATA 7268	Aztecs and Their Empire: Myth, History, and Politics	3
			LAW 6161	Comparative Law: The Civil Law Tradition	3
			LAW 6521	International Economic Law	3

LAW 6681	International Law and Foreign Direct Investment	3
LAW 7231	Ethnoracial Identity in Anthropology, Language, and Law	4
LAW 7311	Immigration and Refugee Law	2
LGBT 2421	Worlding Sex and Gender	3
LSP 2020	Spanish for Heritage Speakers	3
LSP 2460	Contemporary Narratives by Latina Writers	3
LSP 3010	Latinx Theatre Production	1-3
LSP 3061	Modern Mexico: A Global History	4
LSP 3551	Modern and Contemporary Latin American Art	3
LSP 6424	Ethnoracial Identity in Anthropology, Language, and Law	4
MEDVL 2170	Early Modern Iberian Survey	3
MEDVL 4540	Moses Maimonides	3
MEDVL 6566	Art and Architecture of the Pre-Columbian Americas	3
MUSIC 3613	Cornell Steel Band	1
NES 4540	Moses Maimonides	3
NS 2450	Social Science Perspectives on Food and Nutrition	3
NS 3060	Nutrition and Global Health	3
NS 6140	Maternal and Child Nutrition and Health	3
NS 6980	International Nutrition Seminar	1
NTRES 3220	Global Biodiversity	3
NTRES 6960	Perspectives in Global Development	1
PLSCI 1900	Sustainable Agriculture: Food, Farming, and the Future	3
PLSCI 2470	Plants and Cultures around the World	3
PLSCI 4140	Global Cropping Systems and Sustainable Development	3
PMA 3010	Latinx Theatre Production	1-3
PMA 3750	Global Theatre and Performance	4
PORT 2800	Perspectives on Brazil	3
PORT 3100	Advanced Portuguese I	3
PUBPOL 2208	Social Inequality	4
RELST 4256	Time and History in Ancient Mexico	3
RELST 4540	Moses Maimonides	3
RELST 7250	Time and History in Ancient Mexico	3
ROMS 4151	Negrismo, Negritude and Surrealism in the Caribbean	2
SHUM 1900	Global Engagements: Living and Working in a Diverse World	3
SOC 2208	Social Inequality	4
SOC 3710	Comparative Social Inequalities	3
SPAN 2000	Spanish for Heritage Speakers	3
SPAN 2095	Spanish Intermediate Composition and Conversation II	3
SPAN 2130	Advanced Spoken Spanish	3
SPAN 2140	Modern Spanish Survey	3
SPAN 2150	Contemporary Latin American Survey	3
SPAN 2170	Early Modern Iberian Survey	3
SPAN 2200	Perspectives on Latin America	3
SPAN 2230	Perspectives on Spain	3
SPAN 2460	Contemporary Narratives by Latina Writers	3

SPAN 3020	Spanish Language Across the Curriculum (LAC)	1
SPAN 3800	Poetry and Poetics of the Americas	3
SPAN 4190	Special Topics in Spanish Literature	2-4
SPAN 4200	Special Topics in Spanish Literature	2-4
SPAN 4540	Moses Maimonides	3
SPAN 6390	Special Topics in Spanish Literature	2-4
SPAN 6400	Special Topics in Spanish Literature	2-4
VTMED 6530	Llama Tutorial	1

Latin American and Caribbean Studies - Language

Code	Title	Hours
LATA 1210	Elementary Quechua I	3
LATA 1220	Elementary Quechua II	3
LATA 2170	Early Modern Iberian Survey	3
MEDVL 2170	Early Modern Iberian Survey	3
PORT 1210	Elementary Portuguese I	4
PORT 1220	Elementary Portuguese II	4
QUECH 1210	Elementary Quechua I	3
QUECH 1220	Elementary Quechua II	3
SPAN 1120	Elementary Spanish: Review and Continuation	4
SPAN 1210	Elementary Spanish I	4
SPAN 1220	Elementary Spanish II	4
SPAN 1230	Continuing Spanish	4
SPAN 2070	Intermediate Spanish for the Medical and Health Professions	3
SPAN 2090	Intermediate Spanish I (Composition and Conversation)	3
SPAN 2140	Modern Spanish Survey	3
SPAN 2150	Contemporary Latin American Survey	3
SPAN 2170	Early Modern Iberian Survey	3
SPAN 2180	Advanced Spanish Writing Workshop	3
SPAN 2230	Perspectives on Spain	3
SPAN 3170	Creative Writing Workshop (in Spanish)	3