

The Ohio State University
Department of Spanish and Portuguese

Latino/a Studies Minor (LLSTDS-MN)

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The minor in Latino/a Studies explores the social, cultural and historical realities facing Latinos/as residing in the United States as well as how such realities interface with those of Central and Latin America and the Hispanophone Caribbean. The minor attends to a variety of cultural phenomena as well as social and historical events in the Americas that inform the shaping of a pan-Latino identity and experience.

The minor in Latino/a Studies requires 15 credit hours and draws upon course work in several departments and colleges. Students must choose one of the 3 focus areas (Culture and Literature; History; and Social Issues) which comprise a minor core, a focus core course and 9 elective hours.

Choose one focus area to complete the minor:

Culture, Literature and Arts Focus

Students choosing this area will focus their coursework on the various forms of creative expressions that have emerged from the U.S. Latina/o community: literature, film, art, dance, theater, music, comic books, and more. This might also occasion the exploration of Latina/o cultural phenomena as they interface with those arising out of communities in the Americas generally. Students will explore just how such Latina/o cultural making and engaging is a means of creative expression as well as a potential vehicle for social transformation.

Core course: Comp Studies 2322/Spanish 2242: Intro to Latino Studies (cross-listed course)

Students choose one course from the following:

Comp Studies 4804 (cross-listed with English 4588)
English 2367.01*, 2367.02*, 4581*, 4588 (cross-listed with Comp Studies 4588)
Spanish 4557.1, 4557.2
WGSST 2367.02

Students choose 3 courses from the following:

Comp Studies 2105*, 2367.02, 4804 (cross-listed with English 4588), 6425 (cross-listed with Spanish 6705)
English 2367.01*, 2367.02*, 4578*, 4581*, 4588 (cross-listed with Comp Studies 4804)
Spanish 2330, 2331*, 2380, 4557.1, 4557.2, 6705 (cross-listed with Comp Studies 6425)
WGSST 2367.02, 4375, 4560

History Focus

This focus area will situate Latina/o history on the border between U.S. and Latin American history. Students will learn about the experiences of communities who had been rendered invisible by canonical histories in the U.S. and Latin America. Moreover, they will learn new methodologies for historical research and gain a greater understanding of the relationship between history and power.

Core course: Comp Studies 2322/Spanish 2242: Intro to Latino Studies (cross-listed course)

Students choose one course from the following:

History 2075, 3075

Students choose 3 courses from the following:

Comp Studies 2367.02, 6425 (cross-listed with Spanish 6705)
History 2075, 3075, 4000*, 4005*, 4010*, 4015*, 4090*, 4095*, 4100*, 4125*
Sociology 2380
Spanish 6705 (cross-listed with Comp Studies 6425)
WGSST 2340, 2367.02, 4560

Social Issues Focus

The emphasis of this focus area will be the current issues affecting the Latina/o population in the U.S. These social issues (that stretch across the Americas) may include, though are not limited to, immigration, educational policy, language, labor, voting trends, etc. Classes will require students to analyze current media reports about the contemporary state of affairs in the Latina/o community and place these reports within a broader historical backdrop.

Core course: Comp Studies 2232/Spanish 2242: Intro to Latino Studies (cross-listed course)

Students choose one course from the following:

AAAS 4921 (cross-listed with Comp Studies 4921 and WGSST 4921)
Comp Studies 2367.02, 4921 (cross-listed with AAAS 4921 and WGSST 4921)
WGSST 2340, 4560, 4921 (cross-listed with AAAS 4921 and Comp Studies 4921)

Students choose 3 courses from the following:

AAAS 4921 (cross-listed with Comp Studies 4921 and WGSST 4921), 3440
Anthropology 3419
Comp Studies, 2367.02, 4921 (cross-listed with AAAS 4921 and WGSST 4921), 6425 (cross-listed with Spanish 6705)
International Studies 5640 (cross-listed with Spanish 5640)
Spanish 5640 (cross-listed with International Studies 5640), 5660, 6705 (cross-listed with Comp Studies 6425)
WGSST 2340, 4375, 4560, 4921 (cross-listed with AAAS 4921 and Comp Studies 4921)

***Courses marked with an asterisk have variable topics. Students may petition to use these courses and/or research courses when the content is relevant. Syllabi for these courses require approval through petition from the curriculum coordinator(s). Students may also petition to have courses approved that are not listed on the Latino/a Studies minor.**

Latino/a Studies minor program guidelines

The following guidelines govern minors:

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required A minimum of 15 credit hrs. 1000 level courses shall not be counted toward the 15 credit hr minimum.

3000-level credit hours Minor must include at least 6 hours at the 3000-level and above

Transfer credit hours allowed No more than one half of the credit hours required on the minor.

Overlap with the GE Minor coursework may overlap with the GE coursework where appropriate.

Overlap with the major Not allowed and

- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The same courses cannot count on the minor and on the major.

Overlap between minors Each minor completed must contain 12 unique hours.

Grades required

- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.

The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school counselor.

Approval required . Minor course work must be approved by:

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Changing the minor Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by Dan McCurley, Academic Advisor

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