

UCF Degree Programs

Latin American Studies (B.A.)

College of Arts and Humanities

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Admission Requirements

- None

Degree Requirements

- Students who change degree programs and select this major must adopt the most current catalog.
- Co-op or internship credit cannot be used in this major without previous approval by the program director.
- Students must earn at least a "C" (2.0) in each required course.
- Students should consult with the program director or advisor.
- Program Residency Requirement consists of at least 18 semester hours of regularly scheduled 3000-4000 level courses taken at UCF.
- Courses designated in 1 (General Ed Program) and 2 (Common Program Prerequisites) are usually completed in the first 60 hours.

1. UCF General Education Program (GEP) (36 hrs)

A: Communication Foundations (9 hrs)

Required	ENC 1101	Composition I	3 hrs
Required	ENC 1102	Composition II	3 hrs
Prefer	COM 1000	Introduction to Communication	3 hrs

B: Cultural & Historical Foundations (9 hrs)

Suggested	HUM 2020	Encountering the Humanities	3 hrs
Suggested	ARH 2050	History of Western Art I	3 hrs
		Select additional course from B.1	3 hrs

C: Mathematical Foundations (6 hrs)

Prefer	MGF 1107	Explorations in Mathematics	3 hrs
		Select one course from C.2	3 hrs

D: Social Foundations (6 hrs)

Prefer	ANT 2000	General Anthropology	3 hrs
Prefer	AMH 2020	U.S. History: 1877-Present	3 hrs

E: Science Foundations (6 hrs)

Select 1 course from group E.1			3 hrs
Prefer	ANT 2511	The Human Species	3 hrs

2. Common Program Prerequisites (CPP)

- None

3. Core Requirements: Basic Level (3 hrs)

LAS 3002	Topics in Latin American Studies	3 hrs
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4. Core Requirements: Advanced Level (9 hrs)

LAH 3200	Modern Latin America	3 hrs
LAS 3101	Latin American Popular Culture	3 hrs
LAS 4023	African Caribbean Experience	3 hrs

5. Restricted Electives (24 hrs)

- Select no more than nine (9) credit hours of courses within the same department.
- Note that this is not an exhaustive list of course options. Other courses with a focus on either Latin America or the Caribbean can be accepted with prior written authorization from the Program Director.

Anthropology

ANT 3160	Americas Before Columbus	3 hrs
ANT 3161	Ancient Mexico: Aztec to Zapotec	3 hrs
ANT 3163	Mesoamerican Archaeology	3 hrs
ANT 3164	Ancient Incas	3 hrs
ANT 3165	Archaeology of South America	3 hrs
ANT 3168	Maya Archaeology	3 hrs
ANT 3319	Slavery, Resistance, and Cultural Dynamics Among African People in the Americas	3 hrs
ANT 3330	Anthropology of the Amazon	3 hrs
ANT 4266	Economic Anthropology: Production, Consumption, and Exchange	3 hrs

ANT 4340	Caribbean Cultures	3 hrs
ANT 3177	Archaeology of Caribbean Piracy	3 hrs
ANT 4332	People and Cultures of Latin America	3 hrs

History

LAH 3130	Latin American History I	3 hrs
LAH 3400	History of Mexico and Central America	3 hrs
LAH 3470	History of the Caribbean	3 hrs
LAH 4136	Colonial Florida	3 hrs
LAH 4512	Modern Argentina	3 hrs
LAH 4461	History of Puerto Rico	3 hrs
LAH 4480	History of Cuba	3 hrs
LAH 4780	Poverty and Development in Latin America	3 hrs

Art History

ARH 2051	History of Western Art II	3 hrs
ARH 3670	20th Century Latin American Art	3 hrs
ARH 3674	Latin American Popular Visual Culture	3 hrs
ARH 4653	Meso American Art	3 hrs

English

AML 3615	Harlem, Haiti, and Havana	3 hrs
AML 3682	Ethnic Literature in America	3 hrs
AML 4630	Latino/Latina Literature	3 hrs
LIT 3192	Caribbean Literature	3 hrs
LIT 3381	Women Writers of Color	3 hrs
LIT 3823	Hispanic Women Writers	3 hrs
LIT 3368	Magical Realism in Literature	3 hrs

Humanities

HUM 3460	Latin American Humanities	3 hrs
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Latin American Geography and Culture

GEA 4405	Geography of Latin America	3 hrs
GEA 3403	Human Geography of Latin America	3 hrs
GEA 3404	Migration Trends in Latin America	3 hrs
GEA 3455	Geography of Brazil	3 hrs
LAS 3220	Brazilian Culture	3 hrs

Politics

CPO 3034	Politics of Developing Areas	3 hrs
CPO 3103	Comparative Politics	3 hrs
CPO 4074	Political Economy	3 hrs
CPO 4794	Indigenous Politics and the Environment	3 hrs
CPO 4303	Comparative Latin American Politics	3 hrs
INR 4074	Immigration Policy	3 hrs
INR 4076	Global Drug Policy	3 hrs
INR 4243	International Politics of Latin America	3 hrs
POS 4074	Latino Politics	3 hrs
PUP 3314	Minorities in American Politics	3 hrs

Modern Languages and Literature

- Students can choose from the extensive listing of 3000-4000 of upper level Spanish, French, and/or Portuguese (SPN, SPW, SPT, FRE, and/or POR, POW prefixes) courses offered by the Modern Languages Department. The student should give preference to those courses related to Latin American culture and civilization.

Communication

MMC 4303	Hispanics in Media in the US	3 hrs
JOU 3951	Knightly Latino: Spanish Language News	3 hrs

6. Capstone Requirements (3 hrs)

Select 1 (3 hrs)

LAS 4910	LAS Capstone	3 hrs
LAS 4949	Cooperative Education	3 hrs
LAS 4955	Study Abroad	3 hrs

7. Foreign Language Requirements

Admissions

- Foreign Language Requirement: (0 -11 hrs)
- LAS majors will have a proficiency equivalent to three semesters of college instruction in a single foreign language taught by the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures. Spanish or Portuguese preferred, although other Latin American languages may be acceptable with prior written consent of the LAS program director. Standardized examinations for foreign languages may be used to meet the requirement.

Graduation

- None

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8. Electives

- Variable
- Select primarily from upper level courses after meeting with the program advisor. Courses may be outside the department.

9. Additional Requirements

- None

10. Required Minors

- LAS majors cannot minor in Latin American Studies. A second major can satisfy the minor requirement with prior consent of program director or advisor. The LAS minor will continue to be available to non-LAS majors.
- Students will select a minor in consultation with the LAS program director or advisor. No more than six (6) hours can overlap between the major and the minor.

11. Departmental Exit Requirements

- None

12. University Minimum Exit Requirements

- A 2.0 UCF GPA
- 60 semester hours earned after CLEP awarded
- 48 semester hours of upper division credit completed
- 30 of the last 39 hours of course work must be completed in residency at UCF.
- A maximum of 45 hours of extension, correspondence, CLEP, Credit by Exam, and Armed Forces credits permitted.
- Complete the General Education Program, the Gordon Rule, and nine hours of Summer credit.

Total Semester Hours Required

- 120

Honors In Major

- Students interested in completing Honors in the Major should contact their program advisor. More information about Honors in the Major can be found at <http://research.honors.ucf.edu/honors-in-the-Major>.

Related Programs

- Anthropology
- History
- Political Science
- Art - History Track
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Advertising/Public Relations
- Foreign Language Education - Spanish
- History
- Human Communication
- Humanities and Cultural Studies
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- International and Global Studies
- Journalism
- Political Science - International Studies Track
- Radio and Television
- Religion and Cultural Studies
- Spanish
- Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL)

Certificates

- None

Related Minors

- International and Global Studies
- International Business
- Journalism Studies
- Mass Communications
- Sociology

Advising Notes

- None

Transfer Notes

- Lower division courses do not substitute for upper division courses.
- Courses transferred from private and out-of-state schools must be evaluated for equivalency credit. The student must provide all supporting information.

Acceptable Substitutes for Transfer Courses

- None

Plan of Study

Freshman Year - Fall 13 hrs

ENC 1101	Composition I	3 hrs
ANT 2000	General Anthropology	3 hrs
SPN 1120C	Elementary Spanish Language and Civilization I	4 hrs
GEP Course in Mathematical Foundations		3 hrs

Freshman Year - Spring 13 hrs

ENC 1102	Composition II	3 hrs
AMH 2020	U.S. History: 1877-Present	3 hrs
SPN 1121C	Elementary Spanish Language and Civilization II	4 hrs
MGF 1107	Explorations in Mathematics	3 hrs

Freshman Year - Summer 6 hrs

Elective	3 hrs
Elective	3 hrs

Sophomore Year - Fall 12 hrs

COM 1000	Introduction to Communication	3 hrs
SPN 2200	Intermediate Spanish Language and Civilization I	3 hrs
HUM 2020	Encountering the Humanities	3 hrs
ANT 2511	The Human Species	3 hrs

Sophomore Year - Spring 12 hrs

ARH 2050	History of Western Art I	3 hrs
GEP Course in Cultural & Historical Foundations From B.1		3 hrs
GEP Course in Science Foundation		3 hrs
LAS 3002	Topics in Latin American Studies	3 hrs

Sophomore Year - Summer 4 hrs

LAS 3955	Study Abroad	1 hr
Elective	3 hrs	

Junior Year - Fall 12 hrs

LAS 4023	African Caribbean Experience	3 hrs
Elective	3 hrs	
Elective	3 hrs	
Elective	3 hrs	

Junior Year - Spring 12 hrs

LAH 3200	Modern Latin America	3 hrs
LAS 3101	Latin American Popular Culture	3 hrs
Elective	3 hrs	
Elective	3 hrs	

Junior Year - Summer 6 hrs

Elective	3 hrs
Elective	3 hrs

Senior Year - Fall 12 hrs

Course in Minor	3 hrs
Course in Minor	3 hrs
Elective	3 hrs
Elective	3 hrs

Senior Year - Spring 15 hrs

Course in Minor	3 hrs
Course in Minor	3 hrs
Elective	3 hrs
Elective	3 hrs
Capstone Course	3 hrs

Senior Year - Summer 3 hrs

Elective	3 hrs
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Program Academic Learning Compacts

- Program Academic Learning Compacts (student learning outcomes) for undergraduate programs are located at: http://www.oegas.ucf.edu/aic/academic_learning_compacts.htm