Latin American, Caribbean, and Iberian Studies (LACIS)

LACIS/HISTORY/INTL ST 242 — Modern Latin America
3-4 credits.
A broad overview of Latin American history in the modern period, since independence but with a primary focus on the twentieth century. Particular emphasis will be placed on the socioeconomic, cultural, and political structures and processes that shaped and continue to influence life in Latin America. Key issues such as colonialism, nationalism, democracy, and revolution will be examined critically in light of broad comparative themes in Latin American and world history. Among the topics to be explored in detail will be the Mexican and Cuban revolutions, populism and dictatorship, socialism and neoliberalism, and drugs and migration. Enroll Info: None
Requisites: None
Course Designation: Breadth - Either Humanities or Social Science
Level - Elementary
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2021

LACIS/AFROAMER/ANTHRO/C&E SOC/GEOG/HISTORY/POLI SCI/SOC/Spanish 260 — Latin America: An Introduction
3-4 credits.
Latin American culture and society from an interdisciplinary perspective; historical developments from pre-Columbian times to the present; political movements; economic problems; social change; ecology in tropical Latin America; legal systems; literature and the arts; cultural contrasts involving the US and Latin America; land reform; labor movements; capitalism, socialism, imperialism; mass media. Enroll Info: None
Requisites: None
Course Designation: Breadth - Social Science
Level - Elementary
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2021

3 credits.
A critical examination of US-Latin American relations from the colonial era to the present, tracing the emergence and evolution of the United States as a hemispheric and global power and its political and economic impact on Latin America. Primary attention will be focused on US relations with Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean, but other Latin American countries will figure prominently during certain episodes. Enroll Info: None
Requisites: Sophomore standing
Course Designation: Breadth - Either Humanities or Social Science
Level - Elementary
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2020

LACIS/CHICLA/HISTORY/POLI SCI 355 — Labor in the Americas: US & Mexico in Comparative & Historical Perspective
3 credits.
Provides a critical examination of the history of labor and working people in the Americas, from the colonial era to the present. It focuses on the experience of the United States and Mexico, offering a comparative perspective on their distinct but also shared (and increasingly linked) histories. The seminar proceeds chronologically, highlighting major episodes in the evolution of labor systems in the two countries, beginning with the colonial labor systems implemented by the Spanish and British empires following the European conquest of the Western Hemisphere. Among other topics, we will examine the pivotal role of slavery and other forms of forced labor, the impact of the industrial revolution, the emergence and expansion of corporate capitalism and the labor unrest it provoked in the post-civil war U.S., the role of labor in the Mexican Revolution and its aftermath, the impact of the Great Depression and labor incorporation on the post-WWII social and political order of both countries, the breakdown of that order and the move to neo-liberalism in the 1970s and 1980s, and the emergence of an increasingly integrated North American production system and its consequences for labor and working people on both sides of the US-Mexico border. Enroll Info: None
Requisites: Sophomore standing
Course Designation: Ethnic St - Counts toward Ethnic Studies requirement
Breadth - Either Humanities or Social Science
Level - Intermediate
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2021

LACIS/ANTHRO 361 — Elementary Quechua
4 credits.
Phonology and morphology; concentration on the acquisition of conversational skills; reading of texts of graded difficulty; three hours classroom and one hour lab. Enroll Info: None
Requisites: None
Course Designation: Frng Lang - 1st semester language course
Level - Elementary
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2020
LACIS/ANTHRO 362 — ELEMENTARY QUECHUA
4 credits.
Continuation of 361. Enroll Info: ANTHRO/LACIS 361 or cons inst. Open to Fr
Requisites: None
Course Designation: Frng Lang - 2nd semester language course
Level - Elementary
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2021
LACIS/ANTHRO 363 — INTERMEDIATE QUECHUA
4 credits.
Advanced morphology and syntax; advanced conversation and composition; cultural background of Quechua speaking peoples through reading of myths, legends and folktales. Enroll Info: None
Requisites: LACIS/ANTHRO 362
Course Designation: Frng Lang - 3rd semester language course
Level - Intermediate
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2019
LACIS/ANTHRO 364 — ADVANCED QUECHUA
4 credits.
Continuation of advanced conversation and composition; cultural background of Quechua-speaking peoples through reading of myths, legends, folktales; problems in dialectology. Enroll Info: ANTHRO/LACIS 363 or cons inst
Requisites: None
Course Designation: Frng Lang - 4th semester language course
Level - Intermediate
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2020
LACIS/ANTHRO 376 — FIRST SEMESTER YUCATEC MAYA
4 credits.
Introduction to Yucatec Maya language. Focus on acquiring vocabulary and grammar for basic conversational proficiency. Taught through in-class oral and aural exercises, language tapes, and primary texts. Students also learn about Maya culture, history, folklore, and language politics. Enroll Info: None
Requisites: None
Course Designation: Breadth - Humanities
Frng Lang - 1st semester language course
Level - Elementary
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2020
LACIS/ANTHRO 377 — SECOND SEMESTER YUCATEC MAYA
4 credits.
Continued introduction to Yucatec Maya language. Focus on acquiring vocabulary and grammar for basic conversational proficiency. Taught through in-class oral and aural exercises, language tapes, and primary texts. Students also learn about Maya culture, history, folklore, and language politics. Enroll Info: ANTHRO/LACIS 376. Open to Fr
Requisites: None
Course Designation: Breadth - Humanities
Frng Lang - 2nd semester language course
Level - Intermediate
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2021
LACIS 440 — TOPICS IN LATIN AMERICAN, CARIBBEAN, AND IBERIAN STUDIES
1-4 credits.
An examination of specific topics related to the Latin American, Caribbean, and Iberian region. Topics vary each semester, but may include specific themes in history, literature, media, political science, sociology, culture, politics, social work, and agriculture. Enroll Info: Jr st or cons inst
Requisites: None
Course Designation: Level - Intermediate
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Repeatable for Credit: Yes, unlimited number of completions
Last Taught: Spring 2021
LACIS 681 — SENIOR HONORS THESIS
3 credits.
Individual study and research for majors writing theses for honors degree. Enroll Info: Senior majors writing honors thesis consent of instuctor
Requisites: Consent of instructor
Course Designation: Level - Advanced
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Honors - Honors Only Courses (H)
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2011
LACIS 682 — SENIOR HONORS THESIS
3 credits.
Individual study and research for majors writing theses for honors degree. Enroll Info: LACIS 681. Sr majors writing honors thesis consent of instructor
Requisites: Consent of instructor
Course Designation: Level - Advanced
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Honors - Honors Only Courses (H)
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Fall 2016
LACIS 681 — SENIOR HONORS THESIS
3 credits.
Individual study and research for majors writing theses for honors degree. Enroll Info: LACIS 681. Sr majors writing honors thesis consent of instuctor
Requisites: Consent of instructor
Course Designation: Level - Advanced
L&S Credit - Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Honors - Honors Only Courses (H)
Repeatable for Credit: No
Last Taught: Spring 2011
LACIS 698 — DIRECTED STUDY
1-6 credits.
An independent studies course to allow students at an advanced level to pursue individual projects. Enroll Info: None
Requisites: Consent of instructor
Course Designation: Level - Advanced
L&S Credit: Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Repeatable for Credit: Yes, unlimited number of completions
Last Taught: Spring 2019

LACIS 699 — DIRECTED STUDY
1-6 credits.
An independent studies course to allow students at an advanced level to pursue individual projects. Enroll Info: None
Requisites: Consent of instructor
Course Designation: Level - Advanced
L&S Credit: Counts as Liberal Arts and Science credit in L&S
Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: Yes, unlimited number of completions
Last Taught: Spring 2021

LACIS/AAE/ANTHRO/C&E SOC/GEOG/HISTORY/POLI SCI/PORTUG/SOC/SPANISH 982 — INTERDEPARTMENTAL SEMINAR IN THE LATIN-AMERICAN AREA
1-3 credits.
Interdisciplinary inquiry in Latin American society and culture. Enroll Info: None
Requisites: Graduate/professional standing
Course Designation: Grad 50% - Counts toward 50% graduate coursework requirement
Repeatable for Credit: Yes, unlimited number of completions
Last Taught: Fall 2020