

BA in International Studies with Emphasis in Latin American Studies

Degree Program Description

Latin American Studies is offered as an emphasis area for the BA in International Studies. The Latin American Studies emphasis is designed to offer, in addition to linguistic competency in Spanish or Portuguese, a broad base of knowledge about Latin American politics, literature, economics and culture. This field of inquiry, alone or in combination with another discipline, is in high demand throughout the world and can provide students with an indisputable competitive edge in the contemporary professional arena. Students who graduate with an emphasis in Latin American Studies will be fully prepared to pursue graduate study in Latin American Studies programs offered around the country. Students are encouraged to study abroad in one of many program opportunities in Spain, Mexico, Central and South America, Brazil or the Caribbean.

Major Program Requirements

Refer to the program requirements for the BA in International Studies (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/internationalstudies/ba-international-studies/>). Students pursuing the Latin American Studies emphasis will fulfill the Emphasis Area requirements of the major by completing 9 hours of credit related to Latin American Studies, including a 3-credit capstone.

Students are encouraged to begin study of their second language no later than the sophomore year. Students should consult with the International Center about appropriate locations for their study abroad experience, but are encouraged to study abroad in one of many program opportunities in Spain, Mexico, Central and South America, Brazil or the Caribbean. In addition, students must complete all College of Arts and Science and University graduation requirements (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/universityrequirements/>), including University general education (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/generaleducationrequirements/>).

Semester Plan

First Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
ENGLSH 1000		3 Second Language	5
Core Humanities		3 POL_SC 1400 or 2700	3
Second Language		5 Biological/Physical Science Course w/Lab	5
American History or Government course		3 MATH 1050, 1100, or STAT 1200	3
	14		16
Second Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
GEOG 1100 or 1200		3 Second Language	3
Second Language		3 ANTHRO 2030	3
Humanities		3 Social Science	3

Social Science	3 Biological/Physical Science Course	4
Behavioral Science	3 Humanities	3
	15	16

Third Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
Social/Behavioral major course		3 Behavioral Science	3
Core major course		3 Regional/Cultural major course	3
Humanities		3 Social/Behavioral major course	3
Regional/Cultural major course		3 Core Humanities major course	3
Second Language		3 Core major course	3
	15		15

Fourth Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
General Elective		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 Emphasis Area Capstone 4000 Level	3
Emphasis Area major course		3 General Elective	3
Emphasis Area major course		3 General Elective	3
General Elective		3 Elective	2
	15		14

Total Credits: 120