

ROWAN UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF WORLD LANGUAGES

LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES MINOR

The Latin American Studies Minor may be declared in the Department of World Languages, Oak Hall 107, or by contacting the University Advising Center, Savitz Hall, Suite 323 (856-256-4459 / advise@rowan.edu). Students who have declared the program may schedule an advising appointment with the Program Advisor, Harold Thompson (thompsonh@rowan.edu). This program offers students both breadth and depth, encouraging them to draw connections between different academic approaches in order to understand the diversity, influence, and complexity of Latin America. The cultural competence gained through this program will prepare students to interact with and contribute to diverse populations with greater cultural awareness and sensitivity. Furthermore, the interdisciplinary foundation that this program provides will also enhance our graduates' preparation for a wide variety of careers both in Latin America and with Latino populations at home in the U.S., such as in foreign and public service, international sales and business, humanitarian work, government, politics, international law, and global health care.

The Latin American Studies Minor (18 SH) offers an innovative, flexible, interdisciplinary curriculum that includes the following:

I. Required Courses (6 credits):

- Modern Latin America (HIST05.350) (*prerequisite College Comp. II - COMP 01.112*)
- Geography of Latin America (GEOG16.344)

II. Required Spanish Language Proficiency (0 - 3 credits):

- Spanish Reading and Conversation (SPAN05.211) (*prerequisite Spanish III - SPAN05.201*)

OR

- STAMP 4S Spanish Placement Exam result indicating placement into the fifth-semester Spanish course, Spanish Reading and Composition (SPAN05.212) (Contact Esther Mas regarding the placement exam – mas@rowan.edu.)

III. Elective Courses (9-12 credits): Choose three or four electives

- If Spanish Reading and Conversation (SPAN05.211) is taken, choose ***three*** of the following courses from at least three different categories below.

OR

- If Spanish Reading and Conversation (SPAN05.211) is NOT taken due to having been satisfied with the Spanish Placement Exam result, choose ***four*** of the following courses from at least three different categories below.

Category 1: Native Americans in Latin America:

- Natives of South America (ANTH02.210)
- The Maya (ANTH02.326) (*prerequisite Intro. to Cultural Anthropology - ANTH 02.202 OR Indians of North America - ANTH 02.310*)
- Modern Descendants of the Incas (QUEC 10.100) (*prerequisite Spanish I - SPAN05.101 OR waiver with placement result*)

Category 2: History of Latin America:

- Traditional Latin America (HIST05.347) (*prerequisite College Comp. II - COMP 01.112*)
- History of Mexico & the Caribbean (HIST05.362) (*prereq. College Comp. II - COMP 01.112*)
- Latin American Revolutions and Reform (HIST05.409) (*prereq. College Comp. II - COMP 01.112*)
- Topics in Latin-American History (HIST05.411) (*prereq. College Comp. II - COMP 01.112*)

Category 3: Latino and Hispanic Literature in English:

- U.S. Latino/a Literature (ENGL02.217)
- Masterpieces of Hispanic Lit. in English Translation (SPAN05.100)

Category 4: Hispanic Language, Literature, and Culture in Spanish:

- Spanish Reading and Composition (SPAN05.212) (*prereq. Spanish Reading and Conversation - SPAN05.211 OR waiver with placement result*)
- Spanish American Civilization and Culture (SPAN05.324) (*prereq. Spanish Reading and Composition - SPAN05.212*)
- Appreciation of Hispanic Literature (SPAN05.301) (*prereq. Span. Rdg. & Comp. - SPAN05.212*)
- Spanish American Poetry (SPAN05.327) (*prereq. Appreciation of Hispanic Lit. - SPAN05.301*)
- Spanish American Theatre (SPAN05.328) (*prereq. Appreciation of Hispanic Lit. - SPAN05.301*)
- Spanish American Short Story (SPAN05.383) (*prereq. Appreciation of Hispanic Lit. - SPAN05.301*)
- Spanish American Novel (SPAN05.426) (*prereq. Appreciation of Hispanic Lit. - SPAN05.301*)
- Special Topics (Spanish American) (SPAN05.440) (*prereq. Appreciation of Hispanic Lit. - SPAN05.301*)
- Internship in Spanish (SPAN05.452) (*prereq. Spanish Rdg. & Comp. - SPAN05.212 and Instructor Approval*)