

Latin American Studies

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The Latin American studies minor has as its goal to introduce students to the broad spectrum of political, social, economic, and cultural forces which have shaped this region in the past and continue to influence it today. This minor is designed to be interdisciplinary in nature, and does not seek to encourage concentration in a single discipline or a single country. It may, however, prepare the student for such an endeavor in future studies.

A key requirement of this minor is the completion of a summer or semester abroad program in Latin America. The purpose of this requirement is to enhance the student's understanding and appreciation of Latin American culture and society.

Minor in Latin American Studies

Curriculum and Requirements

A minimum of 18 semester hours is required for this minor, at least 6 hours of which must be completed in an approved study abroad program.

Students must complete FLS 202 or the equivalent. This language requirement must be fulfilled before the study abroad experience. No FLS 100- or 200-level courses may be used to satisfy the 18 semester hours required for this minor.

The course work completed in residence at Bradley must include 9 hours of required coursework in foreign languages-Spanish, international studies, and history. At least one of these courses must be completed at Bradley prior to study abroad. Students must also complete 3 hours of elective courses. A gradepoint average of at least 2.0 is required in courses taken for the minor.

Students shall choose courses and study abroad electives, in consultation with an advisor in this minor, that deal with the history, economics, language, or culture of Latin America. The study abroad portion of the requirement must be taken at a Bradley-approved site in Latin America. Such coursework can be taken in Spanish or English.

Required Courses (9 hours)

HIS 105 Non-Western Civilization: Latin America
IS 322 Latin America in the International System **or**
IS 323 Problems in Latin American Development
FLS 322 Latin American Civilization and Culture

Elective Courses with a Latin American Concentration (3 hours)

FLS 316 Topics in Hispanic Language and Literature
FLL 315 Topics in Language, Literature, and Culture
FLS 492 or 495 Independent Study
HIS 332 Modern Latin American History
HIS 334 Non-Western History: Topics
HIS 335 Modern Mexico
HIS 452 Area Studies Research Seminar
HIS 405 or 406 Independent Reading or Study in History
IB 400 Topics in International Business
IS 275 Problems in Developing Countries
IS 420 The Caribbean States in the International System
IS 475, 490, 498, 499 seminar, internship, and special research project

Study Abroad Courses (6 hours)