

# LASC - CERTIFICATE IN LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

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## LASC448 Special Topics in Latin American Studies (3 Credits)

Intensive study of a selected topic related to Latin American Studies.

**Restriction:** Junior standing or higher.

**Repeatable to:** 6 credits if content differs.

## LASC458 Senior Capstone Course in Latin American Studies (3 Credits)

Capstone course for advanced students in the Latin American Studies Certificate Program or other students with appropriate preparation. Interdisciplinary topics will vary each semester.

**Prerequisite:** LASC234 and LASC235; or permission of ARHU-School of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures department.

**Restriction:** Must be in Latin American Studies Certificate program; and senior standing.

## LASC486 Internship in Latin American/Caribbean Studies (1-6 Credits)

Internship experience with an organization that works with or studies Latin American and/or the Caribbean. This is an experiential learning course that provides semester-long training that enriches the student's academic field of study and the LASC Certificate. Students submit a final written report of their experience, including critical analysis of the institutional relevance to their major field of study and to Latin American Studies. Students will also be asked to give an oral presentation.

**Prerequisite:** Student must have completed at least two LASC courses, one of which must be a required/core course (LASC/SPAN234, LASC/SPAN235, LASC/HIST250, or LASC/HIST251); and permission of Latin American Studies Center required.

**Restriction:** Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5; and must have earned a minimum of 60 credits.

**Additional Information:** The course is primarily intended for students seeking the Certificate in Latin American Studies, but exceptions will be considered for students with educational or career interests which lie in this area. Student internships must be approved by the Director, and students must secure an appropriate faculty mentor for the internship course. An internship course will be approved only if a faculty supervisor is available.

## LASC499 Independent Study in Latin American Studies (1-3 Credits)

Independent Study in Latin American Studies.

**Restriction:** Permission of instructor.

## LASC608 Perspectives on Latin America and the Caribbean (3 Credits)

Exposes students to major theoretical, disciplinary, and/or methodological approaches to Latin American and Caribbean studies as practiced in the arts and humanities, and/or the behavioral and social sciences, including history, literary studies, anthropology, and political science. Topics include racial, social, ethnic, and national identities, demographic mobility, and cultural, economic, political, and intellectual exchanges in the Americas.

**Restriction:** Permission of the Latin American Studies Center.

**Repeatable to:** 6 credits.

**Credit Only Granted for:** LASC608 and LASC448U.

**Formerly:** LASC448U.

**Additional Information:** This course is offered every other semester.

## LASC609 Colloquium in Latin American and Caribbean Studies (1 Credit)

The colloquium is one of three core courses for the Graduate Certificate in Latin American and Caribbean Studies. Providing 3 credits over three semesters (1 credit per semester), it ensures an ongoing intellectual community among students, faculty, and guest scholars. For group discussions, the Colloquium meets four times per semester. Additionally, students attend Latin American and Caribbean activities and events in order to discuss and theorize about the region and its diaspora from informed perspectives. Each semester's colloquium provides one credit toward the Graduate Certificate.

**Restriction:** Permission of the Latin American Studies Center.

**Repeatable to:** 3 credits.

**Credit Only Granted for:** LASC609 or LASC648.

**Formerly:** LASC648.

## LASC648 Special Topics in Latin American Studies (1-3 Credits)

Intensive study of a selected topic related to Latin America, the Caribbean, or Latina/o Studies.

**Repeatable to:** 9 credits if content differs.

## LASC688 Experiential Learning in Latin American and Caribbean Studies (1-3 Credits)

Offers an opportunity for practical experience of Latin American and Caribbean organizations, to supplement a methodological focus. Credits may be fulfilled with internships, an applied research assistantship, or any program outside the University that focuses on the experiences of Latin America, the Caribbean, and related diasporas. Examples of experiential learning may include internships at organizations such as the Pan American Health Organization, the World Bank, the Washington Office on Latin America (WOLA), or Casa de Maryland.

**Restriction:** Permission of the Latin American Studies Center.

**Repeatable to:** 3 credits.

## LASC689 Research Praxis in Latin American and Caribbean Studies (1-3 Credits)

The concentration in research praxis is intended primarily to serve students who are interested in academic research and teaching in Latin American and Caribbean studies by exposing them to a research experience supervised by an affiliate faculty member in Latin American and Caribbean studies. This might be a 3-credit intensive research seminar or independent studies tutorial involving a major research project or a 1-3 credit research assistantship in Latin American and Caribbean studies.

**Restriction:** Permission of the Latin American Studies Center.

**Repeatable to:** 3 credits.