



## LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

### What YOU will learn:

Your major in Latin American studies will move you to explore peoples, languages, and cultures of Latin America. You will gain an understanding of the cultures of Latin America and a proficiency in either Spanish or Portuguese. In addition, you will work closely with faculty at UNL whose research involves Latin American languages, culture, and landscapes.

You will enroll in courses from multiple disciplines to examine the world through the lens of social justice and human rights. The major includes theoretical and methodological courses, comparative courses, and focused topical courses that provide you with rigorous analytical skills to investigate and understand the experiences of diverse populations.

### Career opportunities YOU will have:

The Latin American studies major incorporates both language and content courses, so you'll emerge with the skills necessary to work in Latin America or in U.S. organizations with Latin American clients. Opportunities for majors are found in U.S. banks and commercial firms with Latin American branch offices, the travel industry, publishing companies, research organizations, and U.S. governmental agencies such as the Department of State, Agency for International Development, and U.S. Information Agency. Employment of recent Nebraska graduates in Latin American Studies includes:

- Campaign Manager, Wisconsin Congressional Candidate
- Certified Nursing Assistant, Tabitha Rehabilitation Hospital
- Early Childhood Educator, North Carolina, University of Mount Olive
- Public Health Coordinator, West Central District Health

### Why NEBRASKA for Latin American Studies?

On campus, you can join student organizations such as the Mexican American Student Association (MASA), which promotes cultural, social, and academic events that celebrate all Latino cultures and/or the Latin American Studies Organization (LASO), aimed at strengthening the relationship between the Latin American students on campus and the Latin American community. You can also spend a semester or more studying in a Latin American country, allowing you to develop stronger language skills, gain valuable experience, and even receive credit for the courses you take abroad.

Take advantage of the Latino Research Initiative (LRI), a multidisciplinary effort at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. The goals of the LRI are to engage in important and culturally sensitive research and programming, contribute to the limited knowledge base related to the needs of the Latino community, develop, implement, and evaluate programming for the Latino community, and disseminate information to, and learn from, practice systems, scholars, and policy-related systems that are related to addressing Latino issues and needs.

Picture yourself engaging in research similar to our current students who are conducting projects with our Undergraduate Creative Activities and Research Experience (UCARE) program and getting paid in the process. Examples of recent work include titles such as *Family Letters: An Analysis of the Personal Correspondence of a Mexican American Family in Western Colorado and Eastern Nebraska in the First Half of the 20th Century*; *Sufragio efectivo, sin reeleccion? Public Opinion in Mexico about Legislative Reelection*; and *Assessing Climate Change Impacts and Vulnerabilities in Central America Using the Community Capitals Framework*.



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	COURSE NAME	HOURS
<b>FIRST Semester</b>	SPAN 201: Second - Year Spanish I (CDR E)	3
	ACE 1: Written texts/research & knowledge skills	3
	College Distribution Requirement (CDR) D: Social Sciences	3
	Latin American Studies Area A Course	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>15</b>

	COURSE NAME	HOURS
<b>SECOND Semester</b>	SPAN 202: Second - Year Spanish II (CDR E)	3
	CDR A: Written communication	3
	ACE 2: Communication skills	3
	Latin American Studies Area A Course	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>15</b>

<b>THIRD Semester</b>	Latin American Studies Area B Course	3
	CDR C: Humanities	3
	ACE 3: Mathematical/computational/statistical/formal reasoning	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	2
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>14</b>

<b>FOURTH Semester</b>	Latin American Studies Area A Course	3
	Latin American Studies Area B Course	3
	ACE 6: Social Sciences	3
	CDR B, BL: Natural, Physical & Mathematical Sciences w/ Lab	4
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>16</b>

<b>FIFTH Semester</b>	Latin American Studies Area B Course	3
	Latin American Studies Area B Course	3
	ACE 5: Humanities	3
	ACE 9: Global awareness & human diversity	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>15</b>

<b>SIXTH Semester</b>	Latin American Studies Area B Course	3
	Latin American Studies Area B Course	3
	ACE 4: Scientific methods & knowledge of natural/physical world	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>15</b>

<b>SEVENTH Semester</b>	LAMS 478: Pro-seminar in Latin America Studies	3
	Latin American Studies Area B Course	3
	ACE 8: Ethics/civics/stewardship	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
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	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>15</b>

<b>EIGHTH Semester</b>	ACE 10	3
	ACE 7: Fine Arts	3
	CDR F: Additional breadth	3
	Elective/Minor/Secondary Major/Science/Pre-Professional	3
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	<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>15</b>

**DISCLAIMER:** This document represents a sample 4-year plan for degree completion with a major of interest in the College of Arts and Sciences. Actual course selection and sequence may vary and should be discussed individually with an Academic Advisor at the college and department level.