



Latino and Latin American Studies (LLAS)

# Course Listings

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# LLAS Courses

## **LLAS 1000 – Introduction to Latina/o Studies**

*Instructor: Beatriz Aldana Marquez*

*(In Person) M/W/F 10:10 AM - 11:00 AM*

Interdisciplinary examination of the Latina/o experience and impact across the United States. Consideration of behavioral, institutional, and societal perspectives; national and transnational identity; cultural, legal, and educational issues. *With discussion sections on Fridays (10:10 AM - 11:00 AM OR 11:15 AM - 12:05 PM).* CA 2. CA 4.

## **LLAS 1000 – Introduction to Latina/o Studies**

*Instructor: Bethsaida Nieves*

*(In Person) M/W 4:40 PM - 5:55 PM*

Interdisciplinary examination of the Latina/o experience and impact across the United States. Consideration of behavioral, institutional, and societal perspectives; national and transnational identity; cultural, legal, and educational issues. CA 2. CA 4.

## **LLAS 1009 – Latino Literature, Culture, and Society**

*Instructor: Katerina Gonzalez Seligmann*

*(Hybrid) M/W/F 2:30 PM - 3:20 PM*

*Combined Course: SPAN 1009*

Critical approaches to Latinos/as and cultural representation, production, and agency, as impacted by globalization and local dynamics. Will engage the value and function of race, gender and sexuality in popular culture, literature, film, music, digital culture, visual arts, and urban culture. Taught in English. Knowledge of Spanish is not required. CA 1. CA 4.

## **LLAS 1190 — Introduction to Latin America and the Caribbean**

*Instructor: Rodolfo Fernandez*

*(In Person) M/W/F 11:15 AM - 12:05 PM*

*Combined Course: HIST 1600*

Multidisciplinary exploration of the historical development of such aspects of Latin America and the Caribbean as colonization and nation formation; geography and the environment; immigration and migration; race, ethnicity, and gender in society, politics, economy, and culture. *With discussion sections on Fridays (11:15 AM - 12:05 PM OR 12:20 AM - 1:10 PM).* CA 1. CA 4-INT.

## **LLAS 1570 - Migrant Workers in Connecticut**

*Instructor: Anne Gebelein*

*(In Person) W 2:30 PM - 5:30 PM*

*Combined Course: HIST 1570*

Interdisciplinary honors course on the life and work experiences of contemporary Latin American and Caribbean migrant workers with focus on Connecticut. Integrated service-learning component. Field trips required. CA 1. CA 4.

## **LLAS 2001 - Latinos, Leadership and Mentoring**

*Instructor: Anne Gebelein*

*(In Person) Tu/Th 12:30 PM - 1:45 PM*

This course focuses on examining sense of belonging, cultural identity development, peer-mentoring/mentoring, and leadership as they all relate to self-identified Latina/o, Hispanic, and Latin@, Latiné students attending college in the United States.

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## **LLAS 2011W - Introduction to Latin American Writing and Research**

*Instructor: Bethsaida Nieves*

*(In Person) M/W/F 11:15AM - 12:05 PM*

Students refine writing skills and learn how and where to conduct transnational academic research on the Latino-American experience. Interdisciplinary approaches, historical background of Latino American studies. CA 4.

## **LLAS 3208 – Making the Black Atlantic**

*Instructor: Dexter Gabriel*

*(In Person) Tu/Th 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM*

*Combined Course: HIST 3208, AFRA 3208*

Recent scholarship on the central role played by African-descended communities in shaping the early history of the Americas and their interconnection beyond geopolitical boundaries; race, gender, sexuality, class, religion, cultural movements and practices; slavery, political economy, and political movements.

## **LLAS 3210 - Contemporary Issues in Latino Studies**

*Instructor: Bethsaida Nieves*

*(In Person) M/W/F 12:20 PM - 1:10 PM*

Topics in socio-demographic patterns, cultural identity claims, community organization, migration and citizenship issues of Latino groups in post-WWII United States. Emphasis on comparative analysis and on policy implications. CA 4.

## **LLAS 3220 – History of Latinos/as in the United States**

*Instructor: Emma Amador*

*(In Person) Tu/Th 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM*

*Combined Course: HIST 3674*

Settlement and growth of Hispanic-origin populations in the United States today, from Spanish and Mexican settlement of the western United States to the growth of Latino communities. Student oral history project. CA 1. CA 4.

## **LLAS 3233 – Studies in Latina/o Literature**

*Instructor: Lisa Sanchez*

*(In Person) M/W/F 11:15 AM - 12:05 PM*

*Combined Course: ENGL 3607*

Advanced study of a theme, form, author, or movement in contemporary Latina/o literature.

## **LLAS 3525 – Latino Sociology**

*Instructor: Staff*

*(In Person) Tu/Th 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM*

*Combined Course: SOCI 3525*

The economic, social, political, and cultural experiences of Latinos in the United States. CA 2. CA 4.

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## **LLAS 3662 – Borderlands of the Americas**

*Instructor: Rodolfo Fernandez*

*(In Person) M/W/F 1:25 PM - 2:15 PM*

*Combined Course: HIST 3662*

A consideration of the importance of borderlands in the expansion and consolidation of European empires in the American continent, and later, in the shaping of newly independent republics. Contemporary issues related to Latin American borders, including migration, smuggling, violence, and the role of the state in shaping the borders of national cultures and societies.

## **LLAS 3675 – Latina History and Biography**

*Instructor: Emma Amador*

*(In Person) Tu/Th 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM*

*Combined Course: HIST 3675, WGSS 3675*

Examination of the history of Latinas in the US with a focus on women, gender, and sexuality. Students will consider how historians use oral histories, life histories, memoirs, biographies, and testimonials as sources to restore Latinas to histories from which they were previously omitted. CA 1. CA 4.

## **LLAS 3999 - Independent Studies in Latino Studies**

*Instructor: Anne Gebelein*

*By Arrangement*

Independent Studies in Latino Studies.

## **LLAS 4212 - Field Internship in Latino Studies**

*Instructor: Anne Gebelein*

*By Arrangement*

Work in cultural community-oriented setting(s). May be repeated for up to 6 credits.

## **Variable Topics Course:**

### **LLAS 3998-001 – Women’s Health/Latinx & Afro-American**

*Instructor: Yvette Martas*

*(In Person) W 2:30 PM - 5:00 PM*

*Combined Course: AFRA 3998, WGSS 3898*

Health care issues and disparities experienced by women in Latinx and Afro American communities. Course will include clinical and social understandings of health issues, a brief primer in anatomy and physiology, and discussions of how to advance health outcomes for all women. The course will include historical and contemporary perspectives. No prerequisites.

# Related Courses

## List of Related Courses

### **ANTH 3326 — Global Health and Human Rights**

*Instructor: César Abadía*

Theories, methods, and controversies in the interconnected fields of global health and human rights.

### **DRAM 3133 — Latina/o Theatre**

*Instructor: Tlaloc Rivas*

A study of Latina/o theatre and performance in the U.S.

### **POLS 3235 — Latin American Politics**

*Instructor: Matthew Singer*

Theories and institutions of Latin American Politics, with emphasis on issues of stability and change.

### **SPAN 3250 — Film in Spain and Latin America**

*Instructor: Jacqueline Loss*

Film language and genre in Spanish and Latin American cinema. Taught in English



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# Major/Minor in LLAS

## **Major in Latino & Latin American Studies**

The major in LLAS allows students to explore their interests as they pertain to Latin American, Caribbean and Latinx peoples. Students learn research methods, apply them to community settings, design original capstone projects, and can mix and match courses across disciplines. In this way students craft unique intellectual profiles and resumes.

## **Minor in Latino Studies**

The interdisciplinary minor in Latino Studies advances a critical understanding of Latinos as an integral social and cultural component of the U.S. society and of the American hemisphere. Since it employs interdisciplinary research methods, this minor enhances a variety of majors and fields of study.

## **Minor in Latin American Studies**

The interdisciplinary minor in Latin American Studies offers a basic understanding of the peoples and cultures of Latin America and the Caribbean, their histories and contemporary economic, social, and political problems, and their relations with the United States.

*For more information, or to complete a plan of study,*

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