

CHICANA/O AND LATINA/O STUDIES, B.A.

Objectives

The mission of the Department of Chicana/o and Latina/o Studies at Loyola Marymount University is to engage students in a transformative education that promotes a critical understanding of the complex and intersecting patterns of racial, sexual, class, and other systems of power and privilege that have historically and contemporarily shaped Chicana/o and Latina/o communities in the United States. The Department is built on an interdisciplinary curriculum that engages recent theoretical and methodological developments in the discipline of Chicana/o and Latina/o Studies. The Department fosters a socially and intellectually engaged environment that prepares students as leaders in a society which is increasingly diverse and which requires expertise about racial, ethnic, class, political, and social differences.

Chicana/o and Latina/o Studies Student Learning Outcomes

At the end of a course of study, in the major or minor in Chicana/o and Latina/o Studies, students will be able to:

- Interpret, define, and evaluate historical and contemporary information about and representations of Chicana/os and Latina/os;
- Use and apply humanistic, scientific, and/or social science methods, in overlapping methods as appropriate, to arrive at their understandings of Chicana/os and Latina/os;
- Engage recent theories, methodologies, ideas, and developments central to the discipline of Chicana/o and Latina/o Studies, including interdisciplinary methods and multidisciplinary approaches;
- Value engaged learning, life-long education, and leadership for social justice.

Major Requirements

| Code | Title | Semester Hours |
|--|--|----------------|
| Lower Division Requirements | | |
| CLST 1116 | Introduction to Chicana/o-Latina/o Studies | 4 |
| CLST 2100 | Interdisciplinary and Intersectional Methods | 4 |
| Subtotal | | 8 |
| Upper Division Requirements | | |
| Critical Explorations: 4 semester hours per category: History, Media & Visual Culture, Social Science, and Language & Literature | | 16 |
| Specialization: 4 additional semester hours from Critical Explorations or an upper division non-CLST cross-listed course | | 4 |
| CLST 5001 | Capstone Research (Fall) | 1 |
| CLST 5002 | Advanced Critical Methods (Fall) | 4 |
| CLST 5003 | Capstone Seminar (Spring) | 4 |
| Subtotal | | 29 |
| Total Semester Hours | | 37 |

Chicana/o and Latina/o Studies Model Four-Year Plan

The normal course load is 16 semester hours (4 classes). Note that core areas are suggested to provide a distribution of various disciplines every semester. Please be flexible implementing these suggestions, given your own interests and course availability. In four years, this plan meets all common graduation requirements.

| Course | Title | Semester Hours |
|---|--|----------------|
| First Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| CLST 1116 | Introduction to Chicana/o-Latina/o Studies | 4 |
| FFYS 1000 | First Year Seminar | 3-4 |
| University Core | | 3-4 |
| Elective | | 3-4 |
| Semester Hours | | 13-16 |
| Spring | | |
| CLST 2100 | Interdisciplinary and Intersectional Methods | 4 |
| RHET 1000 | Rhetorical Arts | 3-4 |
| University Core | | 3-4 |
| University Core | | 3-4 |
| Semester Hours | | 13-16 |
| Sophomore Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| CLST Critical Explorations | | 4 |
| CLST Critical Explorations | | 4 |
| University Core | | 3-4 |
| Elective | | 3-4 |
| Semester Hours | | 14-16 |
| Spring | | |
| CLST Critical Explorations | | 4 |
| University Core | | 3-4 |
| University Core | | 3-4 |
| Elective | | 3-4 |
| Semester Hours | | 13-16 |
| Junior Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| CLST Critical Explorations | | 4 |
| University Core | | 3-4 |
| Upper Division Elective | | 3-4 |
| Elective | | 3-4 |
| Semester Hours | | 13-16 |
| Spring | | |
| CLST Specialization course in one area of Critical Explorations | | 4 |
| University Core | | 3-4 |
| Upper Division Elective | | 3-4 |
| Elective | | 3-4 |
| Semester Hours | | 13-16 |
| Senior Year | | |
| Fall | | |
| CLST 5001 | Capstone Research | 1 |
| CLST 5002 | Advanced Critical Methods | 4 |
| University Core | | 3-4 |
| Upper Division Elective | | 3-4 |
| Upper Division Elective | | 3-4 |
| Semester Hours | | 14-17 |
| Spring | | |
| CLST 5003 | Capstone Seminar | 4 |
| University Core | | 3-4 |
| Upper Division Elective | | 3-4 |

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| Upper Division Elective | 3-4 |
| Semester Hours | 13-16 |
| Minimum Semester Hours | 106-129 |

Recommended Electives

For the purpose of providing our majors and minors with an interdisciplinary perspective, the Department recommends courses that include a Latina/o and/or critical race studies component. In consultation with the Department Chair, these may be counted towards the Specialization requirement in the major. These courses include, but are not limited to:

| Code | Title | Semester Hours |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| HIST 1700 | Colonial Latin America | 4 |
| HIST 1750 | Modern Latin America | 4 |
| HIST 3702 | Women in Colonial Latin America | 4 |
| HIST 4700 | Early Mexico | 4 |
| POLS 3050 | Critical Race Theory | 4 |
| SOCL 3221 | Race and Ethnic Relations | 4 |
| SOCL 3231 | Social Stratification | 4 |
| SOCL 3372 | Sociology of U.S. Immigration | 4 |
| SPAN 4362 | Latin American Cinema | 4 |
| SPAN 4475 | Spanish of the United States | 4 |
| SPAN 4563 | | 4 |
| SPAN 4564 | | 4 |
| SPAN 4565 | | 4 |
| SPAN 4566 | | 4 |
| SPAN 4567 | Latin American Women Writers | 4 |
| THST 3232 | U.S. Latinx Theology | 4 |
| WGST 3300 | Gender, Race, and the Graphic Novel | 4 |
| WGST 3301 | Literature by Women of Color | 4 |
| WGST 3600 | | 4 |
| WGST 3800 | Gender and Urban Geographies | 4 |
| WGST 4100 | Sex, Trade, Trafficking | 4 |