MINOR IN LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

The Department of Modern Languages and Literatures offers a minor in Latin American Studies. The program provides a comprehensive understanding of the cultures, histories, languages and societies of a region that has roughly five hundred million people, as well as close and growing ties to Canada.

Open to students from all faculties, the program represents a unique chance to complement your main field of studies through a mind-broadening exploration of a changing, heterogeneous universe. For instance, you have the opportunity to study Latin America from the perspective of multiple disciplines thanks to interdepartmental and interfaculty courses, conferences, discussion groups and cultural activities.

By introducing this minor, the University wants to help you discover a new and exciting field of studies, expand your knowledge base by acquiring insights into the multiple facets of Latin America, gain intercultural and multidisciplinary competence, and become well acquainted with the polyphonic discourse of this immense region of the world.

All of our language courses are taught in Spanish or in Portuguese. Other courses are offered in English or in French.

Program Requirements

The table below includes only discipline-specific courses. Please refer to the Academic Regulations (https://www.uottawa.ca/about-us/policies-regulations/academic-regulations/b-2-program-studies/) for information on including a minor to your degree.

Requirements for this program have been modified. Please consult the 2022-2023 calendar (https://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/archives/) for the previous requirements.

6 language course credits in one of the following languages:

**Option 1: Spanish**
- ESP 1991 Elementary Spanish I
- ESP 1992 Elementary Spanish II

**Option 2: Portuguese**
- POR 1901 Elementary Portuguese I
- POR 1902 Elementary Portuguese II

6 optional course units from the list of optional courses offered at the Faculty of Arts
6 optional course units from the list of optional courses offered at the Faculty of Social Sciences
12 optional course units from the lists of optional courses offered at the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Social Sciences

Total: 30 Units

Note(s)

1. Students whose level of proficiency is higher than elementary in Spanish or Portuguese as established by a placement test, will either take 6 course units at the intermediate or advanced level or 6 course units in the other languages.

2. A maximum of 9 course units in a given discipline.

List of Optional Courses

**Optional courses at the Faculty of Arts**

- ELA 1102 Latin American Cultures I: 3 Units
- ELA 2102 Latin American Cultures II: 3 Units
- ELA 3110 Selected Topics in Latin American Studies: Cultural Issues: 3 Units
- ESP 1101 Introduction to Spanish Culture: 3 Units
- ESP 2100 Special Topics in Spanish and Latin American Culture: 3 Units
- ESP 2101 Spanish and Latin American Cinema: 3 Units
- ESP 2301 Hispanic Literature in translation: 3 Units
- ESP 2304 Women in Hispanic Culture and Literature: 3 Units
- HIS 2170 Latin America, Colonial Period: 3 Units
- HIS 2171 Latin America, Modern Period: 3 Units
- HIS 3195 Selected Topics in Latin American History: 3 Units
- LCM 1101 How to Learn Foreign Languages: 3 Units
- LCM 1102 Tools for Cultural Analysis: 3 Units
- POR 2101 The Culture of Portuguese-Speaking Countries I: 3 Units
- POR 2102 The Culture of Portuguese-Speaking Countries II: 3 Units
- POR 3101 Literature and Cinema of the Portuguese Speaking Countries: 3 Units

**Optional courses at the Faculty of Social Sciences**

- ANT 3340 Anthropology of Latin America and the Caribbean: 3 Units
- DVM 4130 International Development Issues in Latin America: 3 Units
- ECO 2121 Introduction to International Economics: 3 Units
- POL 3145 Comparative Politics: Latin America: 3 Units
- SCS 3160 Selected Topics in Latin American Studies: Socio-Political Issues: 3 Units