Graduate Certificate in Latinx & Latin American Studies

The Graduate Certificate in Latinx and Latin American Studies provides a foundation for USC students who wish to gain expertise in interdisciplinary research and public-facing scholarship that focuses on Latinx communities within the United States and in Latin America. The certificate's innovative hemispheric and interdisciplinary approach will provide graduate students with unique analytical tools that can be used to engage with a broad range of social and cultural issues.

The Graduate Certificate is open to PhD students in any USC program. It requires doctoral students to take a total of 16 units. In addition, students may take electives approved for their particular program of research by the program faculty. One of these courses may be a research workshop course geared toward doctoral prospectus development. Directed research may not be counted towards the award of the certificate.

In addition to the completion of the course requirements, students must demonstrate a focus on Latinx and Latin American Studies as a meaningful component of their doctoral dissertation. This will include working with faculty with expertise in Latinx and Latin American Studies on the doctoral committee (as a primary advisor or minor member). Faculty will be responsible for judging the adequacy of the Latinx and Latin American Studies component in the student's dissertation.

Pre-Approved Courses:

SPAN 545: 20th and 21st Century Latin American Literature and Culture

COLT 555: Studies in Literatures of the Americas

POIR 556: Latin America and US Foreign Policy

SPAN 501: Cultural Narratives of Spain and Latin America

SPAN 604: Seminar in Gender and Sexuality in Spain and Latin America

POIR 632: Seminar in Latin American Politics

SPAN 525: Medieval and Early Modern Spanish World

SPAN 603: Seminar in the Cultural History of Spain and Latin America

SPAN 602: Seminar in Spanish and Latin American Critical Theory

ENGL 599: Latinx Aesthetics

SPAN 529: The Transatlantic 19th Century

AMST 510: Readings in Chicano/Latino Studies

HIST 554: Readings in Chicano/Latino History

HIST 561: Historiography of Colonial Mexico

AMST 610: Interdisciplinary Research Seminar in Chicano/Latino Studies

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