

# LATIN AMERICAN & LATINX STUDIES, BA

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2023 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.

The Latin American and Latinx Studies (LALS) Program offers an interdisciplinary major and minor to study the history, arts, languages, cultures, societies, politics, and/or regional organizations of Latin American and Caribbean countries as well as Latinx communities and individuals in the United States. With courses offered across many departments in the School of Arts and Sciences, in study abroad programs taught throughout Latin American cities, and with academically based community service courses with Latinx organizations in the Greater Philadelphia area, the LALS major and minor afford our students a very comprehensive approach to Latin American and Latinx Studies as well as the possibility of a flexible curriculum, where students can pursue and combine their academic interests.

The minimum total course units (<https://www.college.upenn.edu/credits-needed-major/>) for graduation in this major is 32. Double majors may entail more course units.

Students must satisfy the Language Requirement in Spanish or Portuguese. Language courses under 2198 may not be counted.

**For more information:** <https://lals.sas.upenn.edu/undergraduate/major-requirements> (<https://lals.sas.upenn.edu/undergraduate/major-requirements/>)

For information about the General Education requirements, please visit the College of Arts & Sciences Curriculum (<https://www.college.upenn.edu/curriculum/>) page.

Code	Title	Course Units
<b>College General Education Requirements and Free Electives</b>		
Foundational Approaches + Sectors <sup>1</sup> + Free Electives		20
<b>Major Requirements</b>		
<i>Core Cluster Requirement</i>		
Select 1 course unit in Social Science		1
Select 1 course unit in History		1
Select 1 course unit in Criticism		1
<i>Regional Experience Prior to 1820</i>		
Select 2 course units in Regional Experience Prior to 1820		2
<i>Experiences in the Latinx Diaspora</i>		
Select 1 course unit of Experiences in the Latinx Diaspora		1
<i>Electives</i>		
Select 6 course units of Electives		6
<i>Research Requirement</i>		
LALS 3999	Independent Study (or approved alternative)	
<b>Total Course Units</b>		<b>32</b>

<sup>1</sup> You may count no more than one course toward both a Major and a Sector requirement. For Exceptions, check the Policy Statement (<http://www.college.upenn.edu/sectors-policy/>).