

LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES MAJOR REQUIREMENTS AND COURSE CHECKLIST

Student Name: _____ PSU ID# _____

Catalog Year: _____

AS OF FALL 2022 (see note on the last page about prior catalog years)

The Latin American Studies major explores the continent's social contradictions, political intrigues, economic crises, and environmental diversity.

Complete 52 credits as follows: In addition to the general University requirements and those for the B.A. degree, majors must complete an individualized curriculum in Latin American Studies plus two years of language study (or equivalent) in a language appropriate to the region. Additionally:

- **All courses below must be passed with a "C" or better to satisfy INTL degree requirements.**
- **Students are required to take at least 36 credits with the INTL prefix.**
- While not required, we recommend that you do an INTL 404 Internship in your senior year.

A. CORE COURSES (20 CREDITS)

We recommend you take these required courses in the order listed below:

Dept. & Crse No.	Course Title	Credits	Grade	Term/Year	Institution
INTL 201	Introduction to International Studies	4			
INTL 296	The U. S. and the World	4			
INTL 470 <i>or</i> INTL 471	Intercultural Leadership and Change <i>or</i> Understanding the International Experience	4			
INTL 415	Global Studies Theories <i>INTL 201 and INTL 296 are a prerequisites for INTL 415</i>	4			
INTL 407	Seminar: Various Topics <i>INTL 415 or INTL 397 are prerequisites for INTL 407</i>	4			

- Check with a faculty or pathway advisor to find out if any transfer courses could be used towards fulfilling major requirements.

B. LATIN AMERICA FOCUS COURSES (32 CREDITS)

Choose eight courses from PSU courses focused on Latin America in this [pre-approved course list](#). One of the electives *must* be either INTL 341U: Environment and Development in Latin America or INTL 342U: Globalization and Conflict in Latin America.

Dept. & Crse No.	Course Title	Credits	Grade	Term/Year	Institution
INTL 341U or INTL 342U	Environment and Development in Latin America or Globalization & Conflict in Latin America	4			
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Special Topics courses (399, 410), Seminars (407), and other area-related classes, study abroad courses, as well as individualized Reading and Conference courses arranged with instructors may be substituted for specific area courses listed above. ***All such courses must be approved by your advisor before you register for the course.***

C. SECOND LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY (0-27 CREDITS)

Two years or *equivalent* of language study in one world language. For students taking courses at PSU, second-year proficiency is defined by successful completion of the terminal course in the second-year language sequence or demonstrating proficiency through the [Department of World Languages and Literatures](#).

Dept. & Crse No.	Course Title	Credits	Grade	Term/Year	Institution
201					
202					
203					

ADVISING

It is recommended that you meet with a faculty advisor or pathway advisor at least once a year (you are welcome to check in every term!). After your first meeting with a [pathway advisor](#) you should schedule a meeting with a faculty member who specializes in your region of focus: **for Latin American Studies the faculty advisor is [Dr. Leopoldo Rodriguez](#)**. Your meeting with the faculty advisor should take place before the end of your junior year to make sure you are on track for graduation.

Applications for a March graduation are due in September, for a June graduation in January, and for an August graduation in April.

NOTE FOR STUDENTS USING PRIOR CATALOG YEARS:

- Please refer to the [PSU Bulletin](#) to locate the prior catalog year curriculum requirements.
- INTL 296 US and the World was numbered as INTL 396 (same title) prior to Fall 2020.
- INTL 415 Global Studies Theories was known as INTL 390 Foundations of Global Studies prior to Fall 2020.
- Students who joined the major using a catalog year prior to 2020/2021, can use INTL 296 in place of INTL 396, and INTL 390 in place of INTL 415.