



DEGREE PLANNING GUIDE FOR LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

The study of Latin America involves increasing your knowledge of an exciting part of the world that is ever-changing, has long-established cultural ties to the United States and is now increasingly linked to the United States economically. The countries and societies of the region have much in common but are also different and varied in many ways.

Students majoring in Latin American Studies (LAMS) will learn about the history, language, culture, politics and economics of the region; the status of relationships between countries in the region and the United States; current problems facing countries in the region; and future prospects. Students with knowledge of Latin America have opportunities to work with companies doing business in the region, to join with nongovernmental agencies that are active in the area and to serve the government of the United States in a variety of capacities. Students majoring in Latin American Studies will also be well prepared to enter graduate programs or programs with an international focus in law, business or other areas.

Your Four-Year Degree Plan

Students majoring in Latin American Studies will take major courses in History, Political Science, Economics and Spanish as outlined in the planning guide on the reverse side. Students are encouraged to study abroad in Latin America, and while doing so, they will acquire additional expertise.

While the study abroad experience is not required, it is strongly encouraged and represents a once-in-a-lifetime experience to enrich your college degree. St. Edward's University has contacts and agreements with several universities in Latin America and with other resources to facilitate study abroad, and students can generally use any financial aid they receive to support it. Courses completed in study abroad can easily be incorporated into the degree plan so that no time is lost by the experience. Students who are not able to study abroad can complete an internship which has a Latin American focus.

Each student has an academic adviser who is a faculty member in the Latin American Studies program, who will help guide you through the required courses. Your advisor will help, but your planning and proactive involvement is critical. The major ends with a Senior Research Seminar which allows the students to complete a supervised study of some topic in which they have a particular interest.

Your four-year degree plan also includes general education courses which are required of all St. Edward's students. These include English, math, science, and others outlined in the undergraduate bulletin.

Note: You have some choices as to when you would like to take a particular course, particularly those under the General Education Requirement. Please consult the bulletin and your degree plan for prerequisite requirements.

SUGGESTED DEGREE PLANNING GUIDE FOR LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES (LAMS)

FIRST FALL

FSTY 1310 Freshman Studies
 FSTY 1311 Rhet & Comp I
 Computational Skills
 Oral Communication
 Spanish

15 hrs

FIRST SPRING

ENGW 1302 Rhet & Comp II
 CULF 1320 American Experience
 GLST 1324 Survey of Lat. Amer
 Math 1312 or above
 Spanish

15 hrs

SECOND FALL

CULF 1318 Lit & Hum Exper
 CULF 1319 Und & App Arts
 HIST 3337 Mexico
 POLS 2341 Comparative Pol
 Spanish

15 hrs

SECOND SPRING

CULF 2321 American Dilemmas
 RELS/PHIL
 ECON 2301 Microeconomics
 HIST 4347 Latin American History
 Spanish

15 hrs

THIRD FALL

Ethics
 POLS 3320 Pol. Of L.A.
 ECON 3321 Econ. Of L.A.
 Spanish
 Elective

15 hrs

THIRD SPRING

Study Abroad Spanish
Study Abroad LAMS track course
Study Abroad LAMS track course
Study Abroad LAMS track course
Study Abroad Elective

15 hrs

FOURTH FALL

CAPS 4360 Capstone
 LAMS 4350 Study Abroad/Intern
 Elective
 Elective
 Science in depth

15 hrs

FOURTH SPRING

SCIE 2320 Science in Perspective
 LAMS 4360 Senior Research Seminar
 Elective
 Elective
 Elective
GDCT 4000.01* Intent to graduate

15 hrs

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**You must register for this course in the terms you plan to graduate. Failure to do so will result in your not being certified and not graduating.*