### Major: LATIN AMERICAN AND LATINO STUDIES

**Qualification requirements and/or prerequisites for the major:**

- Completion of LALS 1 and an LALS lower division course with C grades or higher are required to declare the major.

- **Transfer students who intend to pursue this major should do the following prior to the beginning of their first term...**

  - If you have taken college-level transferable classes that could potentially be used towards the LALS major, please provide the undergraduate adviser with a syllabus and course work so you can petition.

  - Students who plan to take Spanish should take the Spanish Placement Exam to identify their starting point: [http://language.ucsc.edu/placement/spanish.html](http://language.ucsc.edu/placement/spanish.html)

  - **Students who intend to pursue Portuguese language will find information about placement at [http://language.ucsc.edu/placement/portuguese.html](http://language.ucsc.edu/placement/portuguese.html).** (We recommend students who have not already done so take Spanish or Portuguese early, since students are expected to learn to speak, read and write Spanish or Portuguese and to make use of these skills on a regular basis in their academic work.)

  - LALS lower-division course, and

  - **LALS 100: Concepts and Theories in Latin American and Latino Studies**

    - **LALS 100 is only offered in fall quarter -- Transfer students MUST take this course their first quarter at UCSC.**

    - **LALS 102: Writing for LALS Majors -- not required, but an excellent course for building writing skills, might be offered Fall, Winter or Spring quarter.**

- **Skills important for success in this major:**

  - Critical reading and thinking skills, second language knowledge (or desire to learn).

- **Other information:**

  - Upper-division courses in Portuguese are currently not taught at UCSC and must be taken elsewhere

  - Combined majors are available with Politics and Sociology. Contact the adviser if you are interested.

### Links to More Information:

- [http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/](http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/) (general info)

- [http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/](http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/) (major requirements, course descriptions, etc.)

- [http://lals.ucsc.edu/undergraduate/](http://lals.ucsc.edu/undergraduate/) (program website)

- [http://www.assist.org/web-assist/welcome.html](http://www.assist.org/web-assist/welcome.html) (transfer credit info)

### Questions?

**Contact an Adviser!**

LALS Adviser

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