Students are admitted to UCSC with a "proposed major" in most cases, and later petition to officially declare the major. Admission to UCSC does not guarantee acceptance into a particular major. Junior transfer students must be officially declared in a major by the deadline in their second quarter of enrollment.

**Major:** LATIN AMERICAN AND LATINO STUDIES

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

- 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 in 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.

- 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.

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

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

**...and should take these courses their first term:**

Enroll in a back-up class, sign up on the wait list for your first-choice class, and attend the first day of class.

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

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

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**Other information:**

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!

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