

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

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>
- Students who intend to pursue Portuguese language will find information about placement at <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.)

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

- LALS lower-division course (preferably LALS 1), 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.

If unable to enroll in courses listed above:

Enroll in a back-up class, sign up on the waitlist for your first-choice class, and attend the first day of class. Make sure to see the Undergraduate Advisor as well.

Skills important for success in this major:

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

Other information:

- In addition to courses offered at UCSC, students may fulfill the language requirement through an appropriate course taken while participating in a study abroad program.
- 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/> (general info)
<http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/> (major requirements, course descriptions, etc.)
<http://lals.ucsc.edu/undergraduate/> (program website)
<http://www.assist.org/web-assist/welcome.html> (transfer credit info)

Questions?
Contact an Adviser!

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