

LATINO/LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES (LLS)

Latino/Latin American Studies Graduate Courses

LLS 8145 LATINO/-A POLITICS (3 credits)

This course introduces students to the dynamism and growth of the role of Latinos, as a group of political actors, in the United States. This course provides students with an exposure to and understanding of various concepts and dimensions of this phenomenon, including historical and contemporary Latino political thought and the efforts to increase political empowerment (representation and participation) and influence through grassroots, social, and political movements. (Cross-listed with PSCI 8145, LLS 3140, PSCI 3140)

LLS 8246 SOCIAL TRANSFORMATIONS IN LATIN AMERICA (3 credits)

The course reviews the main social, economic, and political forces that have shaped Latin American societies, and the sociological theories used to understand Latin American development and underdevelopment. Race, ethnicity, gender and class in Latin America, as well as the region's position in the global economy are examined. (Cross-listed with SOC 8246, SOC 4240, LLS 4240).

Prerequisite(s): Graduate standing

LLS 8256 RESEARCHING LATIN AMERICAN MIGRATIONS (3 credits)

In this course we will use an interdisciplinary lens to study the changes and continuities of migration in the Americas. The course starts with an overview of immigration to the Americas during the first era of mass migration (1850-1920) to explore the relevance of European migrations for national and identity constructions in the Southern Cone of America. Students then will be introduced to the impacts of social and political change on emigration flows, both regionally and beyond the region. They will also explore migration related policies at the national and regional level. We will also study the changes and continuities in the migration system of the Americas. Lastly, we will analyze the new North-South migration, as well as immigration to Latin America from Asia (recent and historical), Europe, and Africa. (Cross-listed with SOC 8256, SOC 4250, LLS 4250).

Prerequisite(s): Graduate standing

LLS 8286 INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OF LATIN AMERICA (3 credits)

Analysis of the role of Latin American states in the international political arena. Emphasis upon developing, applying and testing an explanatory theory of international politics through the study of the inter-American system: the regional, institutional and ideological environment, power relations, policies and contemporary problems. (This course fulfills the department's international politics requirement). (Cross-listed with LLS 4280, PSCI 4280, PSCI 8286)

LLS 8436 INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION, DEVELOPMENT AND CITIZENSHIP (3 credits)

The course examines the forces driving contemporary global migration, the impact of migration in both sending and receiving nations' development, as well as the politics and practices of migration policy development. The course also discusses the current debates on immigrant incorporation and citizenship in the receiving countries. (Cross-listed with LLS 4430, CACT 8436).

Prerequisite(s): Graduate standing

LLS 8516 ILLNESS AND DISEASE IN SOUTHERN CONE LATIN AMERICAN LITERATURES AND CULTURES (3 credits)

The course will examine representations of illness, disease, and affections in literary and cultural texts from the Latin American Southern Cone, focusing in Argentina, Uruguay, and Chile. It will explore notions of health and disease, as embedded in literary and cultural texts from the late 19th to the 21st centuries. We will examine the ways in which physical ailments, mental health symptoms, and other conditions or disorders have been conceptualized and portrayed, co-relating the individual "disruptions" caused by unwellness with a host of social and cultural factors. The course will also explore current treatments and therapies for the illnesses discussed in the texts, taking into account the integration of western and alternative medicine and practices. (Cross-listed with SPAN 8516, SPAN 4510, LLS 4510).

Prerequisite(s): Graduate student standing

LLS 8656 SLAVERY AND RACE RELATIONS IN THE AMERICAS (3 credits)

Slavery and Race Relations in the Americas examines the historical relationship between the trans-Atlantic slave trade and American race relations, connecting the enslavement of Africans in the Americas to race relations in the Caribbean, Latin America, and the United States. (Cross-listed with BLST 8656, BLST 4650, HIST 8076, HIST 4070, LLS 4650).

Prerequisite(s): Graduate standing

LLS 8685 GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF LATIN AMERICA (3 credits)

This course introduces students to the political institutions, processes, and public policies of the states of Latin America. (Cross-listed with LLS 3680, PSCI 3680, PSCI 8685)

LLS 8786 URBAN LATIN AMERICA (3 credits)

This course examines the experience of Latin American urbanization, attending to its contributions to urban sociology, social movements, and policymaking. Topics include urban transitions (e.g. pre-Hispanic to colonial, post-colonial to industrial, and the neoliberal turn), socio-spatial configurations (e.g. plazas, squatter settlements), urban marginality debates, urban politics, and planning as well as governance innovations (e.g. bus rapid transit systems, participatory budgeting). Students will compare city case studies across the region and to urban life in the United States. (Cross-listed with SOC 4780, SOC 8786, LLS 4780, CACT 8186).

Prerequisite(s): Graduate standing

LLS 8956 LATIN AMERICAN STUDY ABROAD (3 credits)

This course is designed as an international study abroad course that will introduce undergraduate and graduate students to the dynamism of socio-cultural, economic, and political changes taking place across Latin America. Note: International travel and special fees required. (Cross-listed with LLS 4950, INST 4950)