

# LATINO/LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES, BACHELOR OF ARTS

In the major in Latino/Latin American Studies (LLS) students learn about critical issues such as: urban segregation; education; health and socioeconomic disparities; environmental justice; political mobilization; human rights; migration; language shifts; and cultural creations both in Latin America and how these affect the Latino community in the United States.

The requirements of the LLS major are flexible, incorporating courses from programs such as world languages (Spanish), Political Sciences, History, International Studies, and Sociology/Anthropology to facilitate obtaining **double majors** with these and/or other programs.

To obtain a B.A. with a major in LLS, a student must fulfill university, college, and departmental requirements. All coursework taken for the LLS major must be completed with a grade of "C-" or better

The major requires a total of 30 credit hours. Not included in the 30 credit hours: at least 16 credit hours of Spanish or Portuguese (also fulfill Arts & Sciences language requirement). Students whose primary major is in a college other than Arts & Sciences must complete at least two semesters in Spanish or Portuguese. \*\*Native/heritage speakers of Spanish may be exempt from this requirement. Such students should contact the World Languages & Literature Department for correct placement to determine if additional coursework is necessary.

Residency requirement: No student may transfer into the major more than 9 credits. Students must complete at least 21 of the 30 credit hours at UNO.

## Latino/Latin American Studies, Bachelor of Arts Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
<b>GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS - 34 Hours Required</b>		
Minimum of "C-"required		
<b>Fundamental Skills</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Writing – 6 hrs.</b>		
ENGL 1150	ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	
ENGL 1160	COLLEGE RESEARCH AND INFORMATION LITERACY	
<b>Oral Communication – 3 hrs.</b>		
CMST 1110	PUBLIC SPEAKING FUNDS	
or CMST 2120	ARGUMENTATION AND DEBATE	
<b>Quantitative Literacy – 3 hrs.</b>		
MATH 1120	INTRODUCTION TO MATHEMATICAL AND COMPUTATIONAL THINKING	
or MATH 1130	QUANTITATIVE LITERACY	
or MATH 1140	QUANTITATIVE REASONING FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS	
or MATH 1300	COLLEGE ALGEBRA WITH SUPPORT	
<b>Data Literacy – 3 hrs.</b>		
Select one from the following:		
STAT 1100	DATA LITERACY AND VISUALIZATION	
STAT 1530	ELEMENTARY STATISTICS	

Until Fall 2028, students can satisfy this requirement with an approved data literacy course, or any approved natural or social science general education course.

<b>Breadth of Knowledge</b>		<b>13</b>
Social Science – 3 hrs.		
Humanities – 3 hrs.		
Natural & Physical Science (must complete a lab) – 4 hrs.		
Arts – 3 hrs.		
<b>Individual and Social Responsibility</b>		<b>6</b>
Cultural Knowledge – 3 hrs.		
Civic Knowledge and Engagement – 3 hrs.		
<b>MAJOR REQUIREMENTS</b>		
**Course will satisfy UNO's General Education requirement		
^Course requires pre-requisite(s)		
<b>Latino/Latin American Studies Major - 30 Hours Required</b>		
<b>Required Coursework</b>		<b>9</b>
LLS 1000	LATIN AMERICA: AN INTRODUCTION (**)	
LLS 1020	INTRODUCTION TO CHICANO/LATINO STUDIES (**)	
INDS 4950	INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES: CAPSTONE COURSE	
<b>Select one research methods or statistics course approved by the OLLAS director/academic advisor</b>		<b>3</b>
BSAD 2130	PRINCIPLES OF BUSINESS STATISTICS (^)	
CRCJ 2510	RESEARCH METHODS (^)	
CRCJ/SOWK/PA 3000	APPLIED STATISTICS AND DATA PROCESSING IN PUBLIC SECTOR (^)	
ECON 3300	INTRODUCTION TO ECONOMETRICS (^)	
ENGL 2410	CRITICAL APPROACHES TO LITERATURE (^)	
PHHB 4050	INTRODUCTION TO RESEARCH IN PUBLIC HEALTH	
HIST 2980	HISTORICAL METHODOLOGY (^)	
SOC 2130	SOCIAL STATISTICS (^)	
SOC 3510	RESEARCH METHODS (^)	
PSCI 2000	INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL INQUIRY AND WRITING	
PSCI 3000	QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE (^)	
SOWK 4400	RESEARCH METHODS IN SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE (^)	
<b>Select three 3-credit (LLS) Latino/Latin American Studies courses from List A Latina/o Studies and three 3-credit (LLS) Latino/Latin American Studies courses from List B Latin American Studies. No more than three courses can be from the same discipline</b>		<b>18</b>
At least 18 hours of the major's 30 hours must be at the 3000-4000 level		
<b>List A: Latino Studies</b>		
LLS/PSCI 3140	LATINO/-A POLITICS (**)	
LLS/SPAN 3250	SURVEY OF LATIN AMERICAN FILM	
LLS/PSCI 3510	IMMIGRATION LAW AND LATINOS	
English		
ENGL 2490	LATINO/A LITERATURE (**)	
ENGL 4230	LATINO LITERATURE	
ENGL 4240	TEACHING LATINO LITERATURE (**)	
History		
HIST 4460	AMERICAN IMMIGRATION HISTORY	
Political Science		
PSCI/LLS 3510	IMMIGRATION LAW AND LATINOS	

PSCI/LLS 3140	LATINO/-A POLITICS (**)
<b>Sociology</b>	
SOC 2800	MAJOR SOCIAL ISSUES (Immigration, Gender and Employment)
SOC 3900	RACE AND ETHNIC RELATIONS IN THE U.S. (** When taught by OLLAS approved faculty member)
<b>Spanish</b>	
SPAN 3010 or SPAN 3020	SPANISH FOR HERITAGE SPEAKERS I SPANISH FOR HERITAGE SPEAKERS II
SPAN 4070	HISPANIC BILINGUALISM
SPAN 4130	SPANISH IN THE UNITED STATES
SPAN 4330	LINGUISTIC JUSTICE AND LATINO HEALTH
<b>Social Work</b>	
SOWK 4030	SOCIAL WORK WITH LATINOS
<b>Teacher Education</b>	
TED 2060	EQUITY, LANGUAGE, AND CULTURAL LITERACY (When taught by OLLAS approved faculty member)
<b>List B: Latin American Studies</b>	
LLS/HIST 2480	HISTORY OF LATIN AMERICA: PRECONQUEST TO THE PRESENT (**)
LLS/MUS 2810	MUSIC IN LATIN AMERICAN CULTURE (**)
LLS/SPAN 3050	LATIN AMERICA IN CONTEXT: HEALTH, BUSINESS, ENVIRONMENT, AND SOCIETY THROUGH ORAL PRACTICE
LLS/SPAN 3250	SURVEY OF LATIN AMERICAN FILM
LLS/SPAN 3420	LATIN AMERICAN CIVILIZATION
LLS/PSCI 3680	GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF LATIN AMERICA (**)
LLS/GEOG 3070	GEOGRAPHY OF LATIN AMERICA
LLS/SPAN 4140	INTRODUCTION TO LATIN AMERICAN FILM
LLS/SPAN 4170	INTRODUCTION TO LATIN AMERICAN LITERATURES
LLS/SPAN 4210	SPECIAL EXPLORATIONS IN LATIN AMERICAN FILM
LLS/SPAN 4230	SPECIAL EXPLORATIONS IN LATIN AMERICAN LITERATURE
LLS/SOC 4240	SOCIAL TRANSFORMATIONS IN LATIN AMERICA
LLS/SOC 4250	RESEARCHING LATIN AMERICAN MIGRATIONS
LLS/PSCI 4280	INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OF LATIN AMERICA
LLS/SPAN 4510	ILLNESS AND DISEASE IN SOUTHERN CONE LATIN AMERICAN LITERATURES AND CULTURES
LLS/BLST 4650/ HIST 4070	SLAVERY AND RACE RELATIONS IN THE AMERICAS
LLS/SOC 4780	URBAN LATIN AMERICA (**)
LLS/INST 4950	LATIN AMERICAN STUDY ABROAD
<b>Anthropology</b>	
ANTH 4230	ETHNOMEDICINES OF THE AMERICAS
<b>Black Studies</b>	
BLST/LLS 4650/ HIST 4070	SLAVERY AND RACE RELATIONS IN THE AMERICAS (**)
<b>Geography</b>	

GEOG/LLS 3070	GEOGRAPHY OF LATIN AMERICA
<b>History</b>	
HIST/LLS 2480	HISTORY OF LATIN AMERICA: PRECONQUEST TO THE PRESENT
HIST 4070/ LLS 4650/BLST 4650	SLAVERY AND RACE RELATIONS IN THE AMERICAS (**)
<b>Political Science</b>	
PSCI/LLS 3680	GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF LATIN AMERICA (**)
PSCI/LLS 4280	INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OF LATIN AMERICA (**)
<b>Sociology</b>	
SOC/LLS 4240	SOCIAL TRANSFORMATIONS IN LATIN AMERICA (**)
SOC/LLS 4250	RESEARCHING LATIN AMERICAN MIGRATIONS (**)
SOC/LLS 4780	URBAN LATIN AMERICA (**)
<b>Spanish</b>	
SPAN 3010 or SPAN 3020	SPANISH FOR HERITAGE SPEAKERS I SPANISH FOR HERITAGE SPEAKERS II
SPAN/LLS 3250	SURVEY OF LATIN AMERICAN FILM
SPAN/ENVN 3310	SUSTAINABILITY AND THE ENVIRONMENT IN THE SPANISH-SPEAKING WORLD
SPAN 3420	LATIN AMERICAN CIVILIZATION
SPAN 4040	ADVANCED COMPOSITION AND STYLISTICS
SPAN/LLS 4140	INTRODUCTION TO LATIN AMERICAN FILM
SPAN 4150	LITERATURE/CULTURE: CENTRAL AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN 1898-2000
SPAN/LLS 4170	INTRODUCTION TO LATIN AMERICAN LITERATURES
SPAN/LLS 4230	SPECIAL EXPLORATIONS IN LATIN AMERICAN LITERATURE
SPAN/LLS 4510	ILLNESS AND DISEASE IN SOUTHERN CONE LATIN AMERICAN LITERATURES AND CULTURES
<b>College Breadth (choose one option)</b>	
<b>15-30+</b>	
Option 1: Complete any UNO minor or undergraduate certificate - 15+ hours	
Option 2: Additional General Education Requirements - 18+ hours	
Additional quantitative literacy - 3 hours	
Additional Social Science Gen. Ed. from another Discipline - 3 hours	
Additional Humanities Gen. Ed. from another Discipline - 3 hours	
HIST 1000 and HIST 1010 - 6 hours	
Additional Nat. and Physical Science w/ or without Lab - 3-5 hours	
Option 3: CAS comprehensive major (50+ hours) OR any second UNO major (30+ hours)	
<b>Bachelor of Arts Language Requirement</b>	

SPAN, 1110, 1120, 2110, 2120. Note: 16 credit hours of Spanish or Portuguese (also fulfill Arts & Sciences language requirement). Students whose primary major is in a college other than Arts & Sciences must complete at least two semesters in Spanish or Portuguese. Native/heritage speakers of Spanish may be exempt from this requirement.

### ELECTIVES

Elective hours as required to reach a total of 120 hours

## Latino/Latin American Studies, Bachelor of Arts Four Year Plan

### Freshman

Fall		Credits
ENGL 1150	ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	3
MATH 1120 or MATH 1130 or MATH 1140 or MATH 1300	INTRODUCTION TO MATHEMATICAL AND COMPUTATIONAL THINKING or QUANTITATIVE LITERACY or QUANTITATIVE REASONING FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS or COLLEGE ALGEBRA WITH SUPPORT	3-4
LLS 1000	LATIN AMERICA: AN INTRODUCTION	3
SPAN 1110	ELEMENTARY SPANISH I	5

Attend Durango Days; other campus events. Set up a Handshake account and take the Pathway U career assessment. Attend the Student Involvement & Volunteer Fair to explore student organizations. Make advising appointment for spring: Sept-Oct. Work with your advisor to develop your Pathway in Stellic.

**Credits 14-15**

### Spring

ENGL 1160	COLLEGE RESEARCH AND INFORMATION LITERACY	3
LLS 1020	INTRODUCTION TO CHICANO/LATINO STUDIES	3
SPAN 1120	ELEMENTARY SPANISH II	5
General Education Course or Elective		4

Attend campus events such as major exploration week to get an idea of interests and career paths. Schedule a resume review with UNO Career Services. Visit faculty office hours and ask about undergraduate research opportunities. Make advising appointment for summer and fall: February – March.

**Credits 15**

### Sophomore

Fall		Credits
SPAN 2110	INTERMEDIATE SPANISH I	3
General Education Course or Elective		3
General Education Course or Elective		3
General Education Course or Elective		3
General Education Course or Elective		3

Attend the Career & Internship Fair to start networking with employers. Look for volunteer, research, or part-time work to gain experience. Join a student organization or club related to your field or interests. Make advising appointment for spring: Sept. - Oct.

**Credits 15**

### Spring

CMST 1110 or CMST 2120	PUBLIC SPEAKING FUNDS or ARGUMENTATION AND DEBATE	3
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SPAN 2120	INTERMEDIATE SPANISH II	3
Elective		3
General Education Course or Elective		3
General Education Course or Elective		3

Attend a career fair for informational and networking purposes. Update your resume and LinkedIn profile with new experiences. Investigate and apply for summer internships, research, or study abroad programs. Make advising appointment for summer and fall: February – March.

**Credits 15**

### Junior

#### Fall

LLS Approved Major Course at 3000-4000 Level		3
Approved Research Methods or Statistics Course		3
General Education Course or Elective		3
General Education Course or Elective		3
Elective		3

Apply for a paid internship or research assistantship. Attend a mock interview workshop or use online interview tools with Career Services. Start researching and visiting graduate programs or professional schools. Visit Career Center, continue updating resume. Make advising appointment for spring: Sept-Oct.

**Credits 15**

#### Spring

LLS Approved Major Course at 3000-4000 Level		3
LLS Approved Major Course at 3000-4000 Level		3
General Education Course or Elective		3-4
Elective		3
Elective		3

Request letters of recommendation from faculty for jobs or grad school. Attend the All-Majors Career Fair with a plan to network. Meet with your advisor or submit for a graduation check-in to review remaining degree requirements. Make advising appointment for summer and fall: February – March.

**Credits 15-16**

### Senior

#### Fall

LLS Approved Major Course at 3000-4000 Level		3
LLS Approved Major Course at 3000-4000 Level		3
General Education Course or Elective		3
General Education Course or Elective		3
Elective		3

Check in with Career Center for networking tips. Finalize graduate school applications or job search strategy. Attend a career fair and start applying for full-time jobs. Prepare for interviews and salary negotiations with Career Services. Make advising appointment for spring: Sept. - Oct.

**Credits 15**

#### Spring

INDS 4950	INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES: CAPSTONE COURSE	3
LLS Approved Major Course at 3000-4000 Level		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		1

Complete your final advising check before graduation.  
Polish your resume, cover letters, and LinkedIn profile. Stay connected by joining alumni networks and professional organizations. Apply for graduation via MavLink.

<b>Credits</b>	<b>16</b>
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<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>120-122</b>
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#### Language Requirement:

The LLS major requires 16 credit hours of Spanish or Portuguese. Since Portuguese is not offered at UNO, most students fulfill this requirement with Spanish coursework.

- Students starting from the beginning typically take SPAN 1110, 1120, 2110, and 2120.
- Students who have completed four years (Level IV) of high school Spanish are exempt from taking Spanish at UNO but do not earn credit. They may take the Spanish Placement Exam to test into a higher level; if they complete the course they place into with a C- or better, they may be eligible for free retroactive credit.

#### Native Speakers:

Native speakers of Spanish or Portuguese are exempt from the requirement but do not earn credit. Native Spanish speakers may take SPAN 3010 – Spanish for Heritage Speakers, and upon passing, may request up to 16 hours of retroactive credit.

#### Note:

Students who meet the requirement through high school or native fluency but do not take any Spanish courses at UNO must make up the 16 credit hours with other approved coursework. Please consult your advisor for options.

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**College Breadth:** Students should plan on using at least 15 hours of "Electives" to fulfill Option 1, 2, or 3, of the College of Arts and Sciences' breadth requirement.

**Upper Level Credits:** Students need 27 upper level credits throughout the degree with at least 18 upper level credits within the major. Electives may need to be selected at the 3000-4000 level to reach these minimums.

#### Additional Information About this Plan:

**University Degree Requirements:** The minimum number of hours for a UNO undergraduate degree is 120 credit hours. Please review the requirements for your specific program to determine all requirements for the program. In order to graduate on-time (four years for an undergraduate degree), you need to take 30 hours each year.

**Placement Exams:** For Math, English, World Language, a placement exam may be required. More information on these exams can be found at <https://www.unomaha.edu/enrollment-management/testing-center/placement-exams/information.php>

Transfer credit or placement exam scores may change suggested plan of study

#### GPA Requirements: 2.0

**Note:** This plan provides a general guide, but your specific courses, experiences, and career goals may differ. Work with your academic advisor to ensure you're meeting degree requirements and consult with career advisors to explore internships, research opportunities, and post-graduation plans. Regular check-ins will help you stay on track and make the most of your time at UNO!