

## Latin American Studies, Language Emphasis Major, B.A.

The following is a hypothetical schedule, based on the 2018-2019 catalog. It assumes no transferred credits, no requirements waived by placement tests, and no courses taken in the summer. UW-Eau Claire cannot guarantee all courses will be offered as shown, but will provide a range of courses that will enable prepared students to fulfill their requirements in a timely period. This is just a guide. Please consult your advisor, the catalog, and your degree audit for specific requirements. This plan assumes a foreign language placement into the 202 level.

### FIRST YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER			SECOND SEMESTER		
Subj/Area/Course	Title	Crs	Subj/Area/Course	Title	Crs
LAS 150	Intro to LAS (R2; I1)	3	SPAN 301	Advanced Composition	3
WRIT 114 or 116	Blugold Seminar (S1)	5	LE Core Elective <sup>b</sup>	Mathematics Competency (S2) <sup>c</sup>	4
SPAN 202	Intermediate Spanish II (S1 through placement; R2)	4	LAS 222	Intro to US Latino History and Culture (K3, R1 + DD)	3
LE Core Elective	Select as needed.	3	LE Core Elective	Natural Sciences (K1) w/ lab	4
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>14</b>

### SECOND YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER			SECOND SEMESTER (Language Immersion Semester) <sup>d</sup>		
Subj/Area/Course	Title	Crs	Subj/Area/Course	Title	Crs
SPAN 302	Advanced Conversation and Composition	3	SPAN 354	Contemporary Latin American Civilization	3
LE Core Elective	Select as needed.	3	POLS 319	POLS 319 Politics of Latin America <sup>e</sup>	3
LE Core Elective	Social Sciences (K2)	3	SPAN 405	Advanced Conversation	3
LE Core Elective	Natural Sciences (K1)	3	SPAN 410	Advanced Grammar	3
LE Core Elective	Humanities (K3) <sup>d</sup>	3			
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>12</b>

### THIRD YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER – Apply for Admission to Major			SECOND SEMESTER		
Subj/Area/Course	Title	Crs	Subj/Area/Course	Title	Crs
LE Core Elective	Integrative Learning (I1) <sup>g</sup>	3	LE Core Elective	Fine Arts (K4) <sup>i</sup>	3
SPAN Elective	UD Spanish Course	3	LE Core Elective	Equity, Diversity, Inclusivity (R1 + DD) <sup>j</sup>	3
SECOND PROGRAM or LAS ELECTIVE <sup>h</sup>	Select as needed to fulfill requirements.	3	SECOND PROGRAM or LAS ELECTIVE <sup>h</sup>	Select as needed to fulfill requirements.	3
LE Core Elective	Creativity (S3)	3	LE Core Elective	Civic, Social, Environmental Responsibility (R3) <sup>d</sup>	3
LE Core Elective	Social Sciences (K2)	3	LE Core Elective	Select as needed.	3
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>

### FOURTH YEAR

FIRST SEMESTER			SECOND SEMESTER		
Subj/Area/Course	Title	Crs	Subj/Area/Course	Title	Crs
SECOND PROGRAM or LAS ELECTIVES <sup>h</sup> (5)	Select as needed to fulfill requirements.	15	SECOND PROGRAM or LAS ELECTIVES <sup>h</sup> (6)	Select as needed to fulfill requirements.	18
LAS 450	LAS Capstone	1-3			
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>16-18</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>18</b>

**RECOMMENDATIONS FOR OPTIONAL HIGH IMPACT PRACTICES (HIPs)**

The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire encourages all students to participate in High Impact Practices. The following information identifies any specific recommendations that faculty in this major have concerning which HIPs might be most beneficial to students, and any recommendations about when those HIPs best fit into the degree plan. Students should also consult their faculty advisor for information on HIPs.

Required: The Latin American Studies, Language Emphasis major requires a minimum six-week language immersion experience.

**NOTES****Liberal Education Core (LE Core)**

The LE Core comprises 17 learning experiences across 11 learning outcomes. Students must complete a minimum of 36 credits in courses approved for the LE Core.

- K1 – Natural Sciences; two experiences (one lab science experience is required in K1 or K2).
- K2 – Social Sciences; two experiences (one lab science experience is required in K1 or K2).
- K3 – Humanities; two experiences.
- K4 – Fine Arts; one experience.
- S1 – Written and Oral Communication; two experiences (one experience must satisfy the University writing requirement).
- S2 – Mathematics; one experience (must satisfy the University math competency requirement).
- S3 – Creativity; one experience (can be fulfilled in a student’s major).
- R1 – Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity; two experiences (one experience must meet the UW System Design for Diversity (DD) requirement).
- R2 – Global Perspectives; one experience.
- R3 – Civic and Environmental Issues; one experience.
- I1 – Integration; two experiences (one experience can be fulfilled in a student’s major).

**Additional LE Core Information**

- Most LE Core learning experiences are course based, and many LE courses meet more than one learning outcome (e.g., K3 and R2 or K1 and R3).
- Some learning experiences can also be met outside of a traditional course (e.g., undergraduate research (S3), study abroad (I1)).
- S1 – An English placement score that fulfills the University writing requirement fulfills one S1 experience.
- S1 – A foreign language placement score that qualifies the student to enter the 102 level satisfies one S1 experience.
- S1, R2 – A foreign language placement score that qualifies the student to enter the 202 level satisfies one experience in S1 and the R2 experience.
- S2 – A math placement score that qualifies the student to enter Math 111, 112, 113 or 114 fulfills the S2 experience.
- S3 – Completion of two credits from any approved music ensemble fulfills the S3 experience.
- I1 – Any semester long study abroad program can fulfill one I1 experience.

**Course Suggestions**

The “SECOND PROGRAM or LAS ELECTIVE” courses above are placeholders. Students with a standard major are required to have a second program (second major, a minor, or a certificate). Each major, minor or certificate has its own requirements beyond the number of credits, and it is the student’s responsibility to investigate those and to be sure to have fulfilled those requirements. Keep in mind that, in order to maintain your fluency in Spanish, it is wise to continue taking courses in Spanish when possible.

The total number of credits in this plan sums up to 120-122. Please take care to keep track of your overall credit total. You need a total of 120 credits to graduate; remedial level courses such as ENGL 099, MATH 010 and MATH 020 do not count towards the overall credit count. Taking some courses during the summer or winterim will help you to spread out your course load, which may help you do better in classes while still graduating within four years.

- <sup>a</sup> Students who pursue Latin American Studies and Spanish liberal arts program combinations will need to earn at least 48 unique credits between any major-minor or major-certificate program combinations and 54 unique credits between any major-major program combinations for purposes of meeting graduation requirements for first and second degree programs.
- <sup>b</sup> MATH 107, ARTH/AIS 335, ARTH/AIS 337, ECON/LAS 356, GEOG/LAS 321, SOC 312 or SOC 314, and NRS 389 are suggested throughout this plan because they are courses from the English language LAS Humanities and Social Sciences (of which a minimum of 30 credits are required for this major) that also help you meet your LE learning outcomes; choosing these courses will help you graduate sooner. However, you are free to choose any other course to meet these LE learning outcomes.
- <sup>c</sup> Suggested LAS Elective: MATH 107 Mathematics in Latin American Cultures (offered in Spring).
- <sup>d</sup> The following courses have no prerequisites and fulfill both the K3 and R3 learning outcomes: CJ 207 Rhetoric and Society; PHIL 120 Ethical Reasoning; WMNS 210 Culture of Third Wave Feminism. PHIL 320 Environmental Ethics fulfills both K3 and R3 but has some restrictions (see catalog for details). If a course is taken that meets only K3 or R3, the other learning outcome must be met through another course or experience. Inquire with the respective departments as to when each course is offered.
- <sup>e</sup> This semester is based on an immersion experience in the Costa Rica Spring program at Heredia. There are a variety of options for fulfilling the six week language residence/immersion experience, including summer programs, programs in other countries, National Student Exchange, internships and volunteer work. Please consult with your advisor early on in your studies to choose the program that will work best for you.
- <sup>f</sup> The POLS 319 Politics of Latin America course counts as one of the LAS Humanities and Social Sciences electives. It is, however, only one of many courses offered in the Spring semester program in Heredia which counts as an elective for LAS. Course offerings in study abroad programs vary; consult with the Center for International Education and your Latin American Studies advisor to choose the courses that will work best for you.
- <sup>g</sup> Suggested LAS Electives: ECON/LAS 356 Economic Development of Latin America (I1; semester offered varies; inquire with department) or GEOG 321 Geography of Latin America (R2; I1; offered in Fall).
- <sup>h</sup> The LAS Language Emphasis major requires a minimum of 9 credits from a selected list of courses in Spanish and a minimum of 9 credits from a list of LAS Humanities and Social Sciences electives offered in English in other departments and programs. If you do the Spring semester in Costa Rica as in this plan, you will have taken SPAN 405 and 410 and will need only one more course from the list of LAS Spanish electives to reach the 9 credit minimum. By taking the courses mentioned in Note b above to fulfill the LE requirements you’ve already taken more than the required number of elective credits needed from the LAS Humanities and Social Sciences electives; you should therefore use this placeholder elective space to take a course to satisfy the requirements of your second program (second major, minor, or certificate). Please consult the latest catalog for the most complete lists of courses from which to choose. Electives need to be carefully selected to ensure that a student’s degree comprises at least 39 credits of upper division courses (300-400 level). While students are encouraged to take additional courses in LAS and Spanish, electives beyond program requirements can be selected from any discipline as long as the student meets the course prerequisites. In order to maintain your fluency in Spanish, it is wise to continue taking courses in Spanish when possible.
- <sup>i</sup> Suggested LAS Electives: ARTH/AIS 335 Ancient Art and Architecture of Mexico and Central America (Fall only) or ARTH/AIS 337 Art of Tawantinsuyo (Spring only).
- <sup>j</sup> Suggested LAS Electives: SOC 312 Race and Ethnicity in the US or SOC 314 Social Class and Inequality (both offered in Fall and Spring). NRS 389 also has an R1 designation and counts as one of the English language LAS electives; it is offered online in Summer and Winterim.