Latin American Studies is an interdisciplinary major designed to further understanding of the cultures, histories, and politics of Latin America as viewed from regional and global perspectives.

This major draws from courses and faculty from a wide range of departments and programs, including Anthropology, Architecture, Art History, English, French Studies, History, Spanish and Portuguese, and Political Science. This major provides a challenging context for students to develop core skills in interdisciplinarity, language, communication (written and oral), theory, research methodologies, and geography.

The BA degree with a major in Latin American Studies is a degree program in the department of Spanish, Portuguese and Latin American Studies (ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/spanish-portuguese-latin-american-studies).

Bachelor's Program
- Bachelor of Arts (BA) Degree with a Major in Latin American Studies (ga.rice.edu/programs-study/departments-programs/humanities/spanish-portuguese-latin-american-studies/latin-american-studies/latin-american-studies-ba)

Latin American Studies does not currently offer an academic program at the graduate level.

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LASR 374 - FEMINIST AND QUEER THEORY IN THE AFRICAN DIASPORA
Short Title: FEM THEORY IN AFRICAN DIASPORA
Department: Span Port & Latin Amer Studies
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Seminar
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Graduate level students may not enroll.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: This course provides an interdisciplinary overview of the body of Black feminist and queer theory that has emerged within the last forty years. We will examine these frameworks in order to understand how racial difference shapes gender and sexual identities. This is a seminar that emphasizes research and discussion. Cross-list: SWGS 374.

LASR 375 - LATINA AND AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN'S ACTIVISM IN THE URBAN METROPOLIS
Short Title: WOMEN'S ACTIVISM URBAN METRO
Department: Span Port & Latin Amer Studies
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Seminar
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Graduate level students may not enroll.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: This course will investigate the contemporary writings of Latina and African American women in urban spaces across the U.S. Understanding these women's experiences in relationship to each other will reveal the shared, yet distinct, trajectories that orient their struggle to resist poverty, racism, homophobia, and sexual and reproductive violence. Cross-list: SWGS 375.

LASR 376 - CHICANA AND LATINA EXPERIENCE THRU FILM
Short Title: CHICANA/LATINA EXP THRU FILM
Department: Span Port & Latin Amer Studies
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Seminar
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Graduate level students may not enroll.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: This seminar explores the Chicana and Latina experience in the U.S. We examine these women's response to each other and forces of conquest, capitalism, and patriarchy. Novels, oral life histories, film, and art will be used to interrogate these women's conceptualization and assertion of feminism, activism, and history. Cross-list: SWGS 376.

LASR 491 - LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES CAPSTONE
Short Title: LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES CAPSTN
Department: Span Port & Latin Amer Studies
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Course Type: Lecture
Credit Hours: 3
Restrictions: Graduate level students may not enroll.
Course Level: Undergraduate Upper-Level
Description: Students will write original seminar paper on Latin America incorporating reading and research in English and in the Spanish or Portuguese language sources; to be drawn from their research conducted during a study abroad semester in Latin America.

Description and Code Legend
Note: Internally, the university uses the following descriptions, codes, and abbreviations for this academic program. The following is a quick reference:

Course Catalog/Schedule
• Course offerings/subject code for Latin American Studies: LASR