

# Latino Culture, Economy and Policy, BA

BA with major in Latino Culture, Economy and Policy (LCEP) examines the politics, history, language, culture, literature, sociology, anthropology, economics, and creative accomplishments of Latinos in the US. This diverse population includes people who trace their heritage to Mexico, Cuba, Puerto Rico, El Salvador, Guatemala, Nicaragua, and many other Latin American and Caribbean nations. Students take four required substantive classes (12 hours), four classes (12 hours) in two of three elective areas and also complete either an internship and/or senior research paper (6 hours). LCEP will prepare students to be more competitive in the increasingly challenging and diverse workforce environment.

## Hours required and general/college requirements

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A minimum of 120 semester hours, of which 42 must be advanced, and fulfillment of degree requirements for the Bachelor's degree as specified in the "[University Core Curriculum](#)" in the Academics section of this catalog and the [College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences](#) requirements.

## Major requirements

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A minimum of 30 hours is required in the major, including:

### Required courses, 18 hours

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- [HIST 3150 - Historical and Cultural Development of the Mexican-American Community](#)
- [ENGL 3922 - Chicano Literature](#)
- [PSCI 3100 - Topics in American Government](#)
- [ANTH 3140 - Latinos in the U.S.](#)

### 6 hours from

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- [PSCI 4953 - Capstone Internship](#)
- and/or
- [PSCI 4954 - Research Capstone](#)

### Electives, 12 hours

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Plus four classes (12 hours) in two of three elective areas:

**Culture and Humanities**

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- [SOC 2070 - Introduction to Race and Ethnic Relations](#)
  - [ENGL 3920 - Survey of Ethnic Literatures](#)
  - [ENGL 3850 - The Literature of Texas and the Southwest](#)
  - [HIST 4200 - The Spanish Frontier in North America](#)
  - [JOUR 4250 - Race, Gender and the Media: A Methods Approach](#)
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  - [SOC 2010 - Race, Class, Gender and Ethnicity](#) or
  - [WGST 2420 - Race, Class, Gender and Ethnicity](#)
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  - [SOC 4540 - Race and Ethnic Minorities](#)
  - [SPAN 3140 - Mexican Civilization](#)
  - [SPAN 4010 - Aspects of Contemporary Mexican Culture](#)
  - [SPAN 3110 - Introduction to Hispanic Literature](#)
  - [SPAN 3180 - Latin American Culture Through Film](#)
  - [SPAN 4385 - Hispanic Culture in the United States](#)
  - [THEA 4370 - Contemporary Chicana/Chicano Theatre](#)
- Politics and Public Policy**
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- [HIST 4160 - Chicano Political History: 19th and 20th Century](#)
- [PSCI 3100 - Topics in American Government](#) (when topic is “US Immigration Policy/Politics”)
- [PSCI 3100 - Topics in American Government](#) (when topic is “Politics of Race and Ethnicity”)
- [PSCI 3700 - Area Politics](#) (when topic is “Latin America Politics”)
- [PSCI 3700 - Area Politics](#) (when topic is “Politics of Mexico”)
- [PSYC 4849 - Topics in Psychology](#) (when topic is “Psychology of Race in the United States”)
- [SOC 4540 - Race and Ethnic Minorities](#)
- [ECON 3150 - Economics of Discrimination](#)
- [PSCI 4700 - Topics in Comparative Politics](#) (when topic is “Politics and Issues of Development”)
- [PSCI 4670 - Third World Politics](#)
- [PSCI 4650 - Comparative Public Policy](#)
- [WGST 4240 - Latinas Today](#)

## Country of Origin Studies

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- [ANTH 3210 - Meso America](#)
- [ENGL 3846 - Mexican American Non-Fiction and Criticism](#)
- [HIST 4190 - Mexico, 1810–Present](#)
- [HIST 4172 - Modern Latin America: 1810-Present](#)
- [HIST 4150 - Mexican Immigration and the Chicano Community](#)
- [HIST 4171 - Latin America: The Colonial Experience, 1492–1821](#)
- [HIST 4155 - Mexican American Autobiography](#)
- [AEAH 4820 - Pre-Columbian Art of Mesoamerica](#)
- [BUSI 4700 - Topics in International Business Practices and Policies](#) (when topic is “Mexican Business Practices and Policies”)
- [HIST 4180 - Colonial Mexico and the Spanish Southwest](#)
- [SPAN 3140 - Mexican Civilization](#)
- [SPAN 4010 - Aspects of Contemporary Mexican Culture](#)

## Minor

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Students who wish to earn a minor are encouraged to choose Business Marketing or Management, Public Administration, Criminal Justice or International Studies.

## Electives

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Hours required for electives may vary based on course selection and the University Core Curriculum requirements. Electives may be required to satisfy the advanced hour requirement (42) and/or the minimum total hours required for the degree. For specific information see an academic advisor in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences.

## Other requirements

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A minimum grade of C is required for an LCEP course to count toward the major.