

# Latino Culture, Economy and Policy, BA

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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**

[ANTH 3140 - Latinos in the U.S.](#)

[ENGL 4250 - Latinx Literature](#)

[HIST 3150 - Historical and Cultural Development of the Mexican-American Community](#)

[PSCI 3101 - Latino Politics](#)

OR

[PSCI 3102 - U.S. Immigration Policy](#)

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[PSCI 3103 - U.S. Immigration Politics](#)

6 hours from:

[PSCI 4953 - Capstone Internship](#)

OR

[PSCI 4954 - Research Capstone](#)

- **Electives, 12 hours**

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

- **Culture and Humanities**

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[COMM 4640 – Latin@ Rhetorics](#)  
[SOCI 2070 - Introduction to Race and Ethnic Relations](#)  
[SOCI 4580 – Immigration and Diversity in Contemporary U.S.](#)  
[ENGL 3920 - Ethnic American Literatures](#)  
[ENGL 3850 - The Literature of Texas and the Southwest](#)  
[HIST 4170 – History of Tejanos/as](#)  
[HIST 4200 - The Spanish Frontier in North America](#)  
[JOUR 4250 - Race, Gender and the Media: A Methods Approach](#)

[SOCI 2010 - Race, Class, Gender and Ethnicity](#)  
 OR  
[WGST 2420 - Race, Class, Gender and Ethnicity](#)

[SOCI 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](#)  
[PSYC 4849 - Topics in Psychology](#) (when topic is “Psychology of Race in the United States”)

[SOCI 4540 - Race and Ethnic Minorities](#)  
[ECON 3150 - Economics of Discrimination](#)  
[GEOG 3770 – Latin America: Geography and Globalization](#)  
[PSCI 3101 - Latino Politics](#)  
[PSCI 3102 - U.S. Immigration Policy](#)  
[PSCI 3103 - U.S. Immigration Politics](#)  
[PSCI 3104 - Race and Ethnic Politics](#)  
[PSCI 3105 - Political Economy of Race, Gender and Immigration](#)  
[PSCI 3701 - Politics of Mexico](#)  
[PSCI 3702 - Latin American Politics](#)  
[PSCI 3703 - Security in Latin America](#)  
[PSCI 3704 - U.S.-Latin American Relations](#)  
[PSCI 4700 - Topics in Comparative Politics](#) (when topic is “Politics and Issues of Development”)  
[PSCI 4670 - Third World Politics](#)  
[PSCI 4650 - Comparative Public Policy](#)  
[PSYC 4849 – Topics in Psychology](#) (when topic is “Politics of Issues of Development”)  
[WGST 4240 - Latinas Today](#)

- **Country of Origin Studies**

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[AEAH 4820 - Pre-Columbian Art of Mesoamerica](#)

[ANTH 3210 - Meso America](#)

[ANTH 4300 - Migrants and Refugees](#)

[ANTH 3220 - Mayan Culture](#)

[ENGL 4255 - 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](#)

[HIST 4263 - Topics in African-, Asian- or Latin American History](#) (when topic covers Latin America)

[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](#)

[MUET 3080 - Studies in Latin American Music](#)

[PSCI 3701 - Politics of Mexico](#)

[PSCI 3702 - Latin American Politics](#)

[SPAN 3130 - Topics in Latin American Culture](#)

[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.