

CAREER PROSPECTS

The LALS minor provides an interdisciplinary background that helps students develop analytical and critical skills while gaining knowledge about the Hispanic world.

When paired with another minor or major, LALS can enhance job opportunities in the United States and abroad.

Graduates with expertise in LALS fields find employment in advising, career counseling, community education and outreach, federal government agencies, Head Start programs, international student services, non-profit organizations, policy development, public relations and marketing, school and community libraries, social work, museums, student affairs administration, student support services, and teaching.



COURSE OFFERINGS:

LALS Minor: 18 hours

CORE: 9 hours (online)

- LALS 2311 Introduction to LALS Studies
- LALS 2321 Latin American and Latinx Literature and Culture
- LALS 2331 Latin American and Latinx Linguistics and Culture

ELECTIVES: 9 hours (face-to-face and online)

Choose from approved courses

Do you think a course should be part of LALS? Contact: LALS@shsu.edu



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Join the SHSU Latin American and Latinx Studies Minor. LALS offers a multidisciplinary and transnational approach that critically assesses cultures and languages of the Hispanic world, including the United States.

LALS provides valuable training for those pursuing careers in business, criminal justice and law, education, health, public administration, the publishing and media industries, and social work. These expanding career fields seek students who have a solid and critical understanding of the transnational experiences and the contributions of Latin Americans and Latinxs in the United States and abroad.

DID YOU KNOW?

- LALS offers core and elective courses in the World Languages and Cultures Department that deliver active learning and small classes for optimal interaction with classmates and faculty.
- LALS has 22 elective life-changing courses
- LALS provides research opportunities in WOLC and with SHSU faculty.
- LALS is taught by professors with global training. LALS includes study abroad courses.
- LALS supports several student organizations affiliated with the Department of World Languages and Cultures.



MISSION

The Latin American and Latinx Studies (LALS) is an interdisciplinary minor devoted to study languages and cultures in the Hispanic World, including the United States, through the fields of cultural studies, linguistics, ethnic studies, art, geography, history, and sociology.

Courses explore relevant themes like archival recovery, civil rights, criminal justice, diversity, gender, language use in context, political movements, and representation. Faculty approach these topics using texts, art, film, mainstream and alternative media, and current and historical language usage.

LALS IS A GREAT FIT FOR YOU IF ...

- You want to enhance your employability with your knowledge of Latinx experiences.
- You care about making the world a safer and more peaceful place.
- You understand the skills employers desire and you want to be prepared to demonstrate them.
- You enjoy learning about people, places, and cultures.
- You want to be a strong candidate for a number of graduate school options.
- You want to be in a job you are passionate about.
- You want to pursue a career in leadership roles interacting and serving Latinx communities around the world and the United States.
- You would like to work for a company that values diversity.

WHY PURSUE A LALS MINOR?

- Get ready for future professions around the world in the areas of business, criminal justice, law, social work, medicine, social services, politics, human resources, teaching, translation and public relations.
- Join a community of scholars and professionals who will support you in achieving your dreams.
- Become an educated advocate of diversity, inclusion, and equality for a peaceful world.
- Understand your role as a global citizen by applying multi-disciplinary analysis of world news and cultural products.
- Learn to think critically about the Hispanic world, and impress others with your global understanding.
- Work with highly qualified faculty who are experts in the related fields that have historically contributed to the formation of the discipline.

