

SANTA
MONICA
COLLEGE *A Course of Study for*
LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

The Latin American Studies certificate of achievement prepares students for work with Spanish and/or Portuguese-speaking populations in the US and abroad. This certificate is designed to complement an AA degree. Students will analyze and examine the countries and cultures of Latin America and the Caribbean.

PROGRAMS OFFERED

- Transfer Preparation

CERTIFICATE

Certificate of Achievement

- Latin American Studies

RELATED PROGRAM

- Spanish Associate Degree for Transfer

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT REQUIREMENTS

A Certificate of Achievement is granted upon successful completion of a program of study with a minimum overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 (C) and a **designated minimum number of units**, including:

- Completion of the area of emphasis with a grade of C or higher in each course, or with a P if the course was taken on a Pass/No Pass basis, and the P is equal to a C or higher;
- Completion of at least 50% of area of emphasis units at Santa Monica College. Department Chairs have the discretion to waive the 50% minimum units required at SMC to meet the major or area of emphasis. All major coursework must be completed with a "C" or better grade.

CATALOG RIGHTS

A student may satisfy the requirements of a degree that were in effect at any time of the student's *continuous* enrollment. Continuous enrollment means attendance in at least one semester (Fall or Spring) in each academic year.

TRANSFER PREPARATION

Many colleges/universities offer baccalaureate degrees in various languages and linguistics. Students planning to transfer to a four-year college or university should complete the lower-division major requirements and the general education pattern for the specific transfer institution.

SMC has articulation agreements with the many UC and CSU campuses, as well as several private and out-of-state institutions.

Exact major requirements for UC and CSU campuses can be found online at assist.org.

A listing of private, nonprofit California colleges and universities can be found online at aiccu.edu. For articulation agreements between SMC and some of these institutions see smc.edu/articulation.

LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES, CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

Program Learning Outcomes: Upon completion of the program, students will demonstrate coherent and comprehensive analyses of the cultural and linguistic diversity of Latin American and the Caribbean and the differences and commonalities in their world views and systems.

AREA OF EMPHASIS: (16 UNITS)**Required Language Courses: (7 units minimum)**

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| PORTGS 2 | Elementary Portuguese 2 | 5 |
| PORTGS 99 | Applied Learning in Portuguese | 1 |
| SPAN 3 | Intermediate Spanish I | 5 |
| SPAN 4 | Intermediate Spanish II | 5 |
| SPAN 8 | Conversational Spanish | 2 |
| SPAN 12 | Spanish for Native Speakers 2 | 5 |
| SPAN 25 | Spanish for the Professions | 3 |
| SPAN 99 | Applied Learning in Spanish | 1 |

Required Civilization Course:

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| SPAN 20 | Latin American Civilization | 3 |
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Liberal Arts Curriculum; Select a minimum of 6 units from the courses below:

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| AHIS 5 | Latin American Art History 1 | 3 |
| AHIS 6 | Latin American Art History 2 | 3 |
| AHIS 15 | Mexican Art History | 3 |
| ANTHRO 21 | Peoples and Power in Latin America | 3 |
| ANTHRO 35s | Archeological Field Techniques | 3 |
| ENGL 57 | Latin-American Literature | 3 |
| ENGL 58 | Literature of Mexico | 3 |
| HIST 5 | History of Latin America 1 | 3 |
| HIST 6 | History of Latin America 2 | 3 |
| HIST 19 | History of Mexico | 3 |
| HIST 42 | The Latina/o Experience in the United States | 3 |
| HIST 43 | Mexican-American History | 3 |
| SOCIOL 31 | Latinas/os in Contemporary Society | 3 |