Latin American Studies (LATAMST)

LATAMST 10 Introduction to Latin American Studies 4 Units
Department: Latin American Studies
Course level: Undergraduate
Terms course may be offered: Fall, spring and summer
Grading: Letter grade.
Hours and format: 3 hours of Lecture and 1 hour of Discussion per week for 15 weeks. 7.5 hours of Lecture per week for 8 weeks.
This course is intended as a lower division, interdisciplinary core course for students planning to pursue the Latin American Studies major, as well as other interested students. The aim is to provide an introduction to the field that integrates the offerings from the various disciplines. Particular attention will be given to the analysis of the relationship between cultural expression and the politics, economy, and history of the region. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

LATAMST 24 Freshman Seminar 1 Unit
Department: Latin American Studies
Course level: Undergraduate
Terms course may be offered: Fall, spring and summer
Grading: The grading option will be decided by the instructor when the class is offered.
Hours and format: 1 hour of Seminar per week for 15 weeks. 2 hours of Seminar per week for 8 weeks.
The Freshman Seminar Program has been designed to provide new students with the opportunity to explore an intellectual topic with a faculty member in a small seminar setting. Freshman seminars are offered in all campus departments, and topics vary from department to department and semester to semester. Enrollment is limited to 15 freshmen.
Course may be repeated for credit as topic varies. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

LATAMST 150 Advanced Studies in Latin American Studies 4 Units
Department: Latin American Studies
Course level: Undergraduate
Terms course may be offered: Fall, spring and summer
Grading: Letter grade.
Hours and format: 3 hours of Lecture per week for 15 weeks. 5.5 hours of Lecture per week for 8 weeks.
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor.
Advanced research in current issues or regions of Latin American Studies. The course will focus on specific areas or topics with appropriate comparative material included. Topics change each semester.
Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

LATAMST 160 The Politics of Development in Chile 6 Units
Department: Latin American Studies
Course level: Undergraduate
Term course may be offered: Summer
Grading: Letter grade.
This course examines the politics of development in Chile. We will consider the different social and economic policies implemented during the years of the Popular Unity Coalition, the Pinochet dictatorship, in the transition back to a democratic political system, and the Concertacion governments that followed. We end the course by studying challenges to the neoliberal model, including the recent massive student mobilizations demanding reforms to the educational system, as well as challenges by labor and indigenous groups. We will conclude by considering how globalization shapes the politics of development today.