Executive Summary: Latin American Studies has come a long way from its foundations more than fifty years ago to forge new and critical questions about Latin American and hemispheric identity, diversity, borders, sustainability, and social justice. Environmental crises, such as the continued extraction of petroleum from the Amazonian rainforest, and recent events, such as the normalization of relations with Cuba, have widespread implications. Understanding this area and its cultures also opens the door to a better understanding of the US Latino population, now nearly 1/5 of our country’s population, by both non-Latinos and Latinos, who often want to know more about their heritage. The goals of the Latin American Studies (INLA) major, as well as the INLA minor, are to foster interdisciplinary study and research in topics related to Latin American Studies, to promote the interaction of Marquette students with Latin American communities both in Milwaukee and abroad, and to advance the pursuit of social justice in the region. An INLA degree provides advantages to job-seeking graduates in a variety of fields, including international diplomacy, international aid and development, business, banking, local and international nongovernmental organizations, journalism, immigration services, and more. The INLA major can easily be completed in four years regardless of whether or not the student enters Marquette with Spanish language proficiency.

Latin American Studies: program of study:
The Latin American Studies major will be fulfilled by successfully completing required language courses (0-14 credits -depending on incoming language placement), required foundational courses (9 credits) and electives from specific content areas (12 electives) and additional electives (12 credits) for a total of a minimum of 33-47 credits. One of the courses counted toward the major must be a service learning course, and a maximum of 9 credits of SPAN courses can count as elective courses. A course can apply to only one requirement area (Foundation, Content Area or Electives).

Required Background Language Courses – (0 to 14 credits – depending on incoming language placement)
SPAN 1001 & 1002 or SPAN 1003
SPAN 2001 & 2002 or SPAN 2003

Required Foundation Courses (9 credits) Credit Hours
Choose one of the following:
HIST 1301, Survey of Latin America ................................................................. 3
POSC 4541, Latin American Politics................................................................. 3
and
Choose one of the following:
SPAN 3210, Hispanic Cultures and Literatures in English ............................. 3
SPAN 3310, Peoples and Cultures of Spanish America ................................. 3
SPAN 4320, Contemporary Issues in the Hispanic World ......................... 3
and
Choose one additional course from
HIST 1301, Survey of Latin America ................................................................. 3
POSC 4541, Latin American Politics................................................................. 3
SPAN 3210, Hispanic Cultures and Literatures in English ............................. 3
SPAN 3310, Peoples and Cultures of Spanish America ................................. 3
SPAN 4320, Contemporary Issues in the Hispanic World ......................... 3

Content Area Elective Courses (12 credits):
Your elective courses must be from the two different content areas (6 credits each).
History, Economics & Politics content area (6 Credits)
ECON 4047, Development Economics ................................................................. 3
HIST 1301**, Survey of Latin America ................................................................... 3
HIST 4355, History of Mexico .................................................................................. 3
HIST 4310, Colonial Latin America ......................................................................... 3
POSC 4541**, Latin American Politics ................................................................. 3
POSC 4561, Politics of the Developing World ......................................................... 3
POSC 4633, Human Security .................................................................................. 3
POSC 4661, The Political Economy of Development ............................................ 3
POSC 4741, United States-Latin American Relations ............................................ 3

Culture, Society & Language (6 Credits)
PHIL 3390, Latin American Philosophy ............................................................... 3
SOWJ 2150, Immigrants and their Communities ................................................... 3
SOWJ 4700, Global Aid and Humanitarianism ...................................................... 3
SPAN 3210**, Hispanic Cultures and Literatures in English .................................. 3
SPAN 3310**, Peoples and Cultures of Spanish America ....................................... 3
SPAN 4310, Hispanic Film and Society .................................................................. 3
SPAN 4320**, Contemporary Issues in the Hispanic World .................................. 3

Additional elective Courses (12 Credits)***
ECON 4047, Development Economics .................................................................... 3
HIST 1301**, Survey of Latin America ................................................................... 3
HIST 4355, History of Mexico .................................................................................. 3
HIST 4310, Colonial Latin America ......................................................................... 3
PHIL 3390, Latin American Philosophy ............................................................... 3
POSC 4541**, Latin American Politics ................................................................. 3
POSC 4561, Politics of the Developing World ......................................................... 3
POSC 4661, The Political Economy of Development ............................................ 3
POSC 4741, United States-Latin American Relations ............................................ 3
SOWJ 2150, Immigrants and their Communities ................................................... 3
SOWJ 4700, Global Aid and Humanitarianism ...................................................... 3
SPAN 3210**, Hispanic Cultures and Literatures in English .................................. 3
SPAN 3310**, Peoples and Cultures of Spanish America ....................................... 3
SPAN 4110, Structure of Spanish from a Linguistic Perspective ............................ 3
SPAN 4120, Spanish Phonetics ............................................................................. 3
SPAN 4310, Hispanic Film and Society .................................................................. 3
SPAN 4320**, Contemporary Issues in the Hispanic World .................................. 3
SPAN 4400, U.S. Latino/a Literature ..................................................................... 3
SPAN 4450, Afro-Hispanic Literature and Culture ............................................... 3
SPAN 4600, Spanish-American Literature: Pre-Columbian to Baroque ............... 3
SPAN 4610, Spanish-American Literature: Eighteenth and Nineteenth Centuries .. 3
SPAN 4615, Spanish-American Literature: Modernismo and Vanguardismo ........ 3
SPAN 4620, Spanish-American Literature: The Boom to the Twenty-First Century .. 3
SPAN 4640, Novels and Novelists in Spanish-America ........................................ 3

Total Credit Hours for major .................................................................................. 33-47
Notes
* = Travel must be to a Latin American country.
** = This course cannot be counted toward both the Required Courses requirement and the Content Area requirement.
*** = Courses selected from Elective Courses list cannot also be used to fulfill the Required Courses requirement or the Content Area requirement of the major. One of the courses counted toward the major must be a service learning course, and a maximum of 9 credits of SPAN courses can count as elective courses.
Depending on a student’s preparation and educational needs, other courses may be substituted for the electives and by approval of the program Director. For example: “Intro to Latin American Theology” section of ThEO 2410 may count toward the major (but the student will need a waiver for this from the program director)
SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN  
LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES MAJOR (INLA), (WITH POSSIBILITY OF SEMESTER OF STUDY ABROAD IN JUNIOR YEAR)

*Italics = Course Fulfills UCCS Requirement; **Bold = Course Counts toward the INLA Major
* = INLA Foundation Course; ** = INLA Content Area Course; *** = INLA Elective Course

YEAR 1:

**Fall Semester:**
- UCCS-Hist. of Cult & Soc. (e.g. HIST 1001)
- ENGL 1001
- UCCS Math Reasoning (e.g., MATH 1700)
- SPAN 1003 Intensive Elementary Spanish
- Elective

**Spring Semester:**
- UCCS Science & Nature (e.g., BIOL 1009)
- ENGL 1002
- PHIL 1001
- SPAN 2001 Intermediate Spanish 1
- HIST 1301 Survey of Latin America*

YEAR 2:

**Fall Semester:**
- UCCS-ISB (e.g. ECON 1103)
- THEO 1001 Introduction to Theology
- POSC 2401 (pre-req for course in Spring of Year 2)
- SPAN 2002 Intermediate Spanish 2
- SOWJ 2150 Immigrants and Their Communities**

**Spring Semester:**
- Elective
- Elective
- Elective
- SPAN 3001 Adv. Communication in Spanish
- SPAN 2002 Intermediate Spanish 2
- ECON 1104 (possible Pre-req for course in Year 4)
- SOWJ 2150 Immigrants and Their Communities**
- POSC 4541 Latin American Politics*

YEAR 3:

**Fall Semester:**
- Elective
- Elective
- SPAN 3310 People and Cultures of Hisp World*
- PHIL 3390 Latin American Philosophy**
- SPAN 3500 Intro to Lit Analysis in Span

**Spring Semester (Could be Study Abroad):**
- Elective
- Elective
- Elective
- Elective
- Elective
- Elective

YEAR 4:

**Fall Semester:**
- Elective
- Elective
- ECON 4047 Development Economics**
- SPAN 4320 Contemp. Issues in Hisp World***
- SOWJ 4700 Global Aid & Humanitarianism***

**Spring Semester:**
- Elective
- Elective
- Elective
- Elective
- SPAN 4620 S-Am Lit: Boom - 21st C.***
- POSC 4633 Human Security**

NOTE: The 39 “Elective” credits above would be enough to allow an LAS major to pursue a second major. Given the selection of courses above, a second major in Anthropology, Economics, or Political Science would be the easiest to do, although many other options would work as well.

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