



Chicana/o Studies

Transborder Communities

Programs Offered

- **Bachelor of Arts in Chicana/o Studies: Transborder Communities**
- **Minor in Chicana/o Studies: Transborder Communities**

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Chicana/o Studies offers a curriculum that examines current and past experiences of Chicanas/os and other hemispheric Latina/o Americans whose origins exist south of the United States/Mexican and United States/Caribbean border. This degree places students at the center in the investigation of local issues in context with transborder questions through interdisciplinary and comparative perspectives. The core courses at the lower and upper division level will provide majors with a solid training in Chicana/o Studies while providing them the opportunity to minor or double major in a related disciplinary program.

The Minor in Chicana/o Studies affords students the opportunity to investigate the multi-dimensional culture of the Chicana/o Community in the United States. It is, by definition, interdisciplinary and seeks to provide students with a nuanced appreciation of the population. The minor offers non-majors the opportunity to investigate the historical complexities of societies and social movements and their legacies in the present.

Careers

The Chicana/o Studies major prepares students for careers in the private sector, education, government agencies, or non-profit organizations that serve communities with a significant population of people with origins from Mexico and other nations of Latin America.

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Demonstrate knowledge of the history and culture of people of Mexican and Latin American origins in the United States, specifically within the region of Southern California.
2. Analyze the literary, performative, and visual expressions of Chicanas/os and Latinas/os.

3. Distinguish variations within Chicana/o communities in respect to class, culture, ethnicity, gender, race, and sexuality.
4. Identify and discuss the major theoretical and conceptual questions informing Chicana/o Studies over time.
5. Summarize, explain, and apply social science methods for analyzing social, political, and economic phenomena relevant to the multicultural populations such as demographic trends, public policy, judicial systems, segregation, business practices, public health concerns, etc.
6. Effectively demonstrate competence in oral, written, and/or visual media to present research findings.

Faculty

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Channel Islands

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY

The University

The 1187-acre site of California State University Channel Islands is located minutes from the Pacific Ocean, where the Oxnard Plain meets the Santa Monica Mountains. The main entrance to the campus winds through agricultural fields, orchards, coastal scrub, and crag-topped foothills with spectacular rock formations. Equally dramatic is the campus architecture. The sprawling 1930's Spanish revival buildings, cloistered hallways, Bell Tower, tiled fountains, open space, and many courtyards house our 21st century university.

The academic programs offered at CSU Channel Islands form a challenging and unique curriculum. Exceptional faculty are active in research, current in their disciplines, and dedicated to students. Top-notch teaching, integrated curricula, and up-to-date technology all add up to an excellent educational experience. As part of the CSU system, CSU Channel Islands has access to resources of the largest higher educational system in the nation.

University Mission Statement

Placing students at the center of the educational experience, California State University Channel Islands provides undergraduate and graduate education that facilitates learning within and across disciplines through integrative approaches, emphasizes experiential and service learning, and graduates students with multicultural and international perspectives.

For More Information

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Transfers

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Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts in Chicana/o Studies - 120 units

Core Requirements in the Major	45-47
General Education	48
American Institution Courses	6
Electives	19-21
TOTAL UNITS	120

Students are encouraged to identify a minor, or possible double major, in a related discipline such as English, History, Political Science, Sociology, or Spanish.

Lower Division Core Requirements 9-10 units

CHS Introductory Courses 6 units

Select 2 of the following:

CHS 100	Chicanas/os in Contemporary Society 3
CHS 200	Diversity in Latina/o Communities 3
CHS 292	Chicanas/os Studies Service Learning & Civic Engagement 3

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Chicana/o Studies

Language Requirement - 3-4 units

SPAN 201 Intermediate Spanish I 4*
or
SPAN 211 Spanish for Heritage Speakers I 4*
or
Substitute any Upper Division Spanish course
(Approved by Advisor) 3

Upper Division Core Requirements 36-37 units

Theory and Methods - 6 units

Select one of the following: (consult advisor)
ANTH 375 Qualitative Research Methods in
Anthropology 3
HIST 280 The Historian's Craft 3
POLS 300 Political Science Research Methods 3
PSY 300 Psychological Research and
Statistical Methods I 3-4
SOC 202 Introduction to Research Methods 3
SOC 310 Research Methods in Sociology 4
Other methods course (approved by advisor) 3

Required Course

CHS 491 Theoretical Foundations of Chicana/o
Studies 3

History and Society - 6 units

Select one of the following:
HIST 360 History of Colonial Latin America 3*
HIST 361 History of Modern Latin America 3*
SPAN 411 Civilizations and Cultures of Latin
America 3

Select one of the following:

CHS 350 Chicana/o History and Culture (Cross-
listed as HIST 350.) 3†
CHS 402 Southern California Chicana/o History
and Culture (Cross-listed as HIST
402) 3*

Art and Culture - 3 units

Select one of the following:

CHS 333 History of Southern California
Chicana/o Art (Cross-listed as ART
333, HIST 333) 3*
CHS 353 Chicana/o Latina/o Literature (Cross-
listed as ENGL 353) 3*

Transborder Issues - 9-10 units

Required Course:

CHS 331 Transborder Perspectives in Chicana/o
Studies 3*

Select two of the following:

CHS 343 Health Issues in the Latina/o
Community (Cross-listed as COMM
343, NRS 343) 3*
CHS 364 Chicano English 3
CHS 383 Chicana/o Latina/o Identity and
Empowerment (Cross-listed as PSY
383) 3
CHS 401 Latina/o Workers in a Global
Economy 3
CHS 425 Contemporary Immigration Issues
(Cross-listed as SOC 425) 3
CHS 445 Chicano Child and Adolescent (Cross-
listed as EDUC 445, HIST 445) 4*
UNIV 392 International Experience 1-3
(Approved by advisor)

Upper Division Electives 9 units

Select three of the following or other CHS classes
not already used in the major:

ENGL311 Bilingual Literary Studies/Estudios
Literarios Bilingües (Cross-listed as
SPAN 311) 3
ENGL331 Narratives of the Working Class
(Cross-listed as SOC 331, POLS 331,
HIST 331) 3
HIST 334 Narratives of Southern California
(Cross-listed as ENGL 334) 3*
HIST 349 History of Business and Economics
in North America (Cross-listed as
ECON 349, BUS 349) 3
HIST 369 California History and Culture 3
HIST 401 United States Immigration History,
1840-1945 3
HIST 420 History of Mexico 3
HIST 421 Revolutionary Mexico, 1876-1930 3
POLS 306 The Politics of Race and Ethnicity 3
SOC 352 Social Movements 3
SOC 360 Race & Ethnicity 3
SPAN 461 Masterpieces of Latin American
Literature 3
SPAN 462 Modern Mexican Literature 3

The following courses can satisfy major require-
ments, depending on the topic. See Major Advisor.

CHS 490 Special Topics 3
CHS 494 Independent Research 1-3
CHS 497 Directed Studies 1-3

Internship or Service Learning Capstone - 3 units

CHS 492 Internship in Chicana/o Studies 1-3
CHS 499 Service Learning Capstone in
Chicana/o Studies 1-3

Chicana/o Studies Minor - 18-20 units

Lower Division Requirements - 6-7 units

Choose one of the following:

CHS 100 Chicana/os in Contemporary Society 3
CHS 200 Diversity in Latina/o Communities 3
CHS 292 Chicana/o Studies Service Learning
and Civic Engagement 3

Choose one of the following:

SPAN 201 Intermediate Spanish I 4
SPAN 211 Spanish for Heritage Speakers I 4
Any Spanish Course 3
(Approved by the minor faculty advisor)

Upper Division Requirements - 12-13 units

Select four courses from the following:

CHS 331 Transborder Perspectives in
Chicana/o Studies 3

CHS 333 History of Southern California
Chicana/o Art (Cross-listed as ART 333,
HIST 333) 3
CHS 343 Health Issues in the Latina/o
Community (Cross-listed as COMM
343, NRS 343) 3
CHS 350 Chicana/o History and Culture (Cross-
listed as HIST 350.) 3†
CHS 353 Chicana/o Latina/o Literature (Cross-
listed as ENGL 353) 3
CHS 364 Chicano English 3
CHS 383 Chicana/o Latina/o Identity and
Empowerment (Cross-listed as PSY
383) 3
CHS 401 Latina/o Workers in a Global Economy 3
CHS 402 Southern California Chicana/o History
& Culture (Cross-listed as HIST 402) 3
CHS 425 Contemporary Immigration Issues
(Cross-listed as SOC 425) 3
CHS 445 Chicano Child and Adolescent (Cross-
listed as EDUC 445, HIST 445) 4
CHS 491 Theoretical Foundations of Chicana/o
Studies 3
BUS 349 History of Business and Economics in
North America (Cross-listed as ECON
349, HIST 349) 3
HIST 360 History of Colonial Latin America 3
HIST 361 History of Modern Latin America 3
HIST 369 California History and Culture 3
HIST 401 United States Immigration History,
1840-1945 3
HIST 420 History of Mexico 3
HIST 421 Revolutionary Mexico, 1876-1930 3
POLS 306 The Politics of Race and Ethnicity 3
SOC 352 Social Movements 3
SOC 360 Race & Ethnicity 3
SPAN 411 Civilizations and Cultures of Latin
America 3
SPAN 461 Masterpieces of Latin American
Literature 3
SPAN 462 Modern Mexican Literature 3

Note: Other upper division courses approved by the
minor faculty advisor.

Double-Counting for Chicana/o Studies Majors
According to the GE requirements, students must
take 9 units from those interdisciplinary courses
numbered 330-349 and 430-449. Six of the 9 units
can be double counted and three of the 9 units must
be outside the major and not cross-listed with the
CHS prefix.

Notes

* Courses Fulfilling GE Requirement.

† Courses Fulfilling American Institution Requirement.

