An education in Latin American Studies blends coverage of methodological and theoretical approaches to the study of Latin America with a broad foundation in the humanities and social sciences. The program is designed for students who seek to integrate a broad range of disciplinary approaches to a world region of growing international significance.

**Major Requirements**

All courses must be taken for letter grade and students must earn at least a C- in each course.

**Lower Division**
- **LATI 50**: Introduction to Latin America
- **Language Proficiency**: Students can fulfill this requirement through a placement test, studying abroad in a UCSD approved program, or completing one of the following courses in Spanish or Portuguese Literature:
  - LTSP 2A, 2B, 2C
  - LIPO 1D/1DX, 15, 16, 17

**Upper Division**
- Three of the following core courses:
  - HILA 102
  - POLI 146A
  - LTSP 133
- One research methods course
- Six elective courses from at least three different departments*
- **LATI 180**: Special Topics in Latin American Studies
- **LATI 190**: Senior Seminar

**Minor Requirements**

All courses must be taken for letter grade and students must earn at least a C- in each course.

**Lower Division**
- **LATI 50**: Introduction to Latin America
- **Language Proficiency**: See Major Requirement

**Upper Division**
- Two of the following core courses:
  - HILA 102
  - POLI 146A
  - LTSP 133
- Two elective courses from at least three different departments*
- **LATI 180**: Special Topics in Latin American Studies

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**Honors**

Students will produce an original thesis and defend this thesis in spring before an interdisciplinary faculty committee.

**Requirements to Receive Honors:**
- Complete all lower division reqs.
- Complete at least 36 units from upper division reqs.
- Maintain a minimum GPA of 3.5 in the major
- Complete a three course sequence in their senior year consisting of:
  - LATI 199 in Fall Quarter
  - LATI 190 in Winter Quarter
  - LATI 191 in Spring Quarter