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UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH
LATIN AMERICAN COURSE LIST
SUMMER (2157)

Center for Latin American Studies (CLAS)

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Students are encouraged to enroll in courses on Latin America/the Caribbean or to participate in the programs of Latin American Studies—Related Concentration, Undergraduate or Graduate Certificate. Many of the undergraduate courses on this list may be used to satisfy the School of Arts and Sciences foreign culture, non-Western culture requirement or other general education requirements. Need advice concerning registration or want information about the certificates or related concentration? Please contact Julian Asenjo (email juasenjo@pitt.edu or phone 648-7396).

Students also are welcome to attend CLAS events—lectures, films, workshops, concerts, conferences and the annual Latin American and Caribbean Festival. See the monthly schedule of activities on the CLAS website: <http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas>

Important Information for Students and Advisors

Program Registration: To be officially enrolled in the CLAS certificate program, students must complete an application for admission to CLAS. Admissions are done on a rolling basis. The only pre-requisite is interest in Latin American related topics. There are no deadlines, nor is there an application fee. However, the sooner a student enrolls, the sooner they may be eligible for awards, grants, and fellowships from CLAS.

Acceptable Certificate Courses: Courses in this list with titles typed in **ALL CAPS** are accepted to fulfill Latin American Studies area course requirements. Courses with titles typed in **upper and lower case** are international courses in which at least 25% of the content is Latin American. To have international courses count towards the certificate, focus your work on Latin America. (If the professor requires a paper or papers, bibliography, readings, etc., you must do all the work on a Latin American topic. You will be asked to present your work for the course to the CLAS academic advisor.)

Other Courses: Students may, with the permission of the CLAS advisor, register for a course with international content, a directed study, independent study or readings course taught by a CLAS faculty member. These courses will count towards the certificate/related concentration only if the student focuses specifically on a Latin American topic for the course.

University of Pittsburgh Course Numbers

Courses numbered from:

- 0001 to 0999 are lower level undergraduate courses; they are *not* acceptable for graduate credit.
- 1000 to 1999 are upper level undergraduate courses; they are acceptable for both undergraduate and graduate certificates.
- 2000 to 2999 are master's level courses and those in the 3000s are doctoral level courses.

All Latin American courses for the certificate or related concentration will be counted as “inside” or “outside” the student’s major. The primary academic department of the faculty member teaching the course determines how the course will be counted. Examples: A course taught by Prof. Barry Ames that is cross-listed in Political Science and GSPIA will be counted as a course in Political Science (the primary academic department of Prof. Ames) no matter if the student registers for the course under GSPIA or PS. A course taught by Prof. John Beverley that is cross-listed in Spanish, English Literature, and Cultural Studies will be counted as a course in Hispanic Languages and Literatures (the primary academic department of Prof. Beverley).

Faculty: Please contact Julian Asenjo (email juasenjo@pitt.edu or phone 648-7396 if your course contains 25% Latin American content and is missing from this list or if the information given about your course is incorrect. Revisions to this list are made as soon as corrections are received.

Schedule of Latin American Area Studies Courses
SUMMER (May 4 to August 8) 2015

School and Faculty of Arts and Sciences

Study abroad programs are offered in many countries of the Caribbean, Mesoamerica, Central and South America. Students should contact the Study Abroad Office, 802 William Pitt Union, to arrange study programs of 3 to 18 credits. See the CLAS Academic Advisor to verify how credits will count towards completion of the certificate or related concentration in Latin American Studies. **Six Weeks, Twelve Weeks, Full Term – Study in Latin America for part or all of the summer.**

12 week -- May 11 to August 1

PIA--PUBLIC & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, GRADUATE SCHOOL OF
Graduate Course Offerings

2355 World War II, Cold War and Its Impact on Developing Nations

12277	Mo	No recitation	Rizzi, Michael
	05:45 PM-8:55 PM		
	3431 Posvar Hall		

This is a policy-relevant history course that examines the international relations of the 20th century, as well as the lasting legacy of the cold war today. After discussing the causes, conduct, and consequences of World War II, students study the rise of the Soviet Union and iron curtain, postwar trusteeships, and the process of decolonization by which large swaths of Africa and Asia obtained their independence. Class lectures cover just war theory, the geopolitics of war, the rise of NATO, dictatorship and democratization in Latin America, and the major cold war conflicts in Cuba, Afghanistan, Iran, and Vietnam. Using historical case studies, students learn important practical skills useful for a career in diplomacy, international negotiation, or statecraft, as seen through the eyes of master practitioners.

NOTE: Students must focus their papers on Latin America to have this course count towards the certificate in Latin American Studies.

Prerequisite(s): none
Undergraduate and graduate students are welcome.

Students are encouraged to go to GSPIA, 3601 WWPH to check updates for GSPIA courses.

6 week 1 --May 11 to June 20

ARTSC – SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**AFRCNA -- AFRICANA STUDIES***Undergraduate Course Offerings***0385 CARIBBEAN HISTORY**

	Tu We Th			
10836	01:30 PM-03:45 PM 4165 Posvar Hall	No Recitation.	Combined w/ HIST 0521	Enroll Limit 25
				Reid, Michele

This course will examine the historical roots of contemporary Caribbean society. Major historical developments from the period of the subjugation of the indigenous populations through the era of slavery and the plantation system to the rise of modern nationalism and the impact of U.S. intervention will be examined, as will related socio-economic systems and institutions. The pan-regional approach which recognizes shared identity and experiences not only within the Caribbean but also with Africa and the American south will be preferred, although illustrative studies of some individual countries will be undertaken.

Prerequisite(s): none

This course is offered at least once a year.

1502 SEMINAR ON LATIN AMERICA: COSTA RICA

10734		Solano, Leonardo
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Note: Participants will conduct field research on topics developed during the spring term seminar. Registration is limited to students previously selected to participate in the program.

HIST – HISTORY*Undergraduate Course Offerings***0501 MODERN LATIN AMERICA**

15575	Mo We 02:00 PM-05:15 PM 213 CL	No recitation.	Enroll Limit 35	Urban, Kelly Lauren
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This course is a thematic survey of Latin American history from the early nineteenth-century wars of independence to the present. We will explore the social and political consequences of the wars of independence; the formation of nation-states and export economies; different forms of U.S. intervention in the region; social revolution and populism during the twentieth century; and the varied paths that Latin Americans have taken in efforts to achieve democracy, social justice, economic development, and national autonomy in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. We will examine specific case studies from Mexico, Central and South America, and the Caribbean. Course materials will draw on a variety of primary sources and cultural texts, such as literature, manifestos, art, and film clips, to illuminate the everyday lives of people in the region.

Prerequisite(s): none

This course is offered at least once a year.

0521 CARIBBEAN HISTORY

11463	Tu We Th 01:30 PM-03:45 PM 4165 Posvar Hall	No recitation.	Combined w/ AFRCNA 0385	Enroll Limit 10	Reid, Michele
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See AFRCNA 0385 for description.

SOC-SOCIOLOGY

Undergraduate Course Offerings

0005 Societies

10804	Mo We 10:00 AM-01:15 PM 2200 Posvar Hall	No recitation.		Enroll Limit 50	Chouhy Algorta, Gabriel
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This course offers an introduction to society and culture in international perspective. We will explore how people organize their social life in different societies, by comparing social behavior and institutions, cultural and political economy in different parts of the world. We will broaden our understanding of people who live in different national, social -cultural environments. **NOTE:** Students taking this course for the Latin American certificate must concentrate their work on Latin America.

Prerequisite(s): none

This course is offered every term.

6 week 2 -- June 22 to August 1

MUSIC-MUSIC

Undergraduate Course Offerings

0311 Introduction to World Music

10566	Mo We 8:30 AM-11:45 AM 123 Music Building			Enroll Limit 30	Pinkerton, Emily
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Focusing on a variety of musical traditions throughout the world, this course addresses factors that have influenced historical and contemporary musical performance practices. Special attention is placed on how political, economic, social, and religious factors influence musical aesthetics and notions of identity among performers and audiences. Positioning music within a broader context of postcolonial, technological, and transnational development, this course analyzes the ever-changing relationship between traditional and modern socio-musical approaches toward performance techniques, musical transmission, and intercultural exchange.

Prerequisite(s): none

PS – POLITICAL SCIENCE

Undergraduate Course Offerings

0300 Comparative Politics

17640	Mo We 10:00 AM-01:15 PM 206 CL	Enroll Limit 35	Vera, Sofia
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This course provides students with basic information about a range of political systems outside the United States and teaches them to use that information to examine major theories about politics. The course is also designed to help students understand the government and the politics of the United States in comparative perspective and to develop some understanding of comparative methodology and the logic of comparison as a social science method. Depending on the interests, area of expertise, and inclinations of the particular instructor, some regions and topics might be emphasized more heavily than others

Prerequisite(s): none

This course is offered every term.

SOC-SOCIOLOGY

Undergraduate Course Offerings

0317 Global Society

16525	Mo We 01:00 PM-04:15 PM 02200 Posvar Hall	Enroll Limit 50	Latif, Mehr
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The aim of this course is to introduce students to globalization from a sociological and historical perspective. The course is based on a series of readings and films that explore different global societies at different points in history. We will analyze these societies through a series of sociological concepts, such as power, authority, patrimonialism, bureaucracy, charisma, colonialism, imperialism, culture, state and discourse, among others. We will also examine historical artifacts that represent cultural encounters between two or more societies. These artifacts deal with how several societies interacted with each other in the past. As such, these artifacts serve as bases for discussions about power relationships between different societies in the present.

NOTE: Students taking this course for the Latin American certificate must concentrate their work on Latin America.

Prerequisite(s): none

This course is offered at least once a year.

LANGUAGE COURSES

Note: *The courses listed below are not area studies courses*—please see previous pages for Latin American AREA courses. You may use the courses listed on this page to meet the language proficiency requirement of the certificate.

6 week 1 – May 11 To June 20

SPAN – SPANISH

Graduate Course Offerings

0015 INTENSIVE ELEMENTARY SPANISH

5 cr.

20200 Mo Tu We Th

No

Enroll

10:00 AM-12:45 PM

recitation.

Limit

G21 CL

18

This is a condensed version of the first two courses of the Spanish language program, and it has been designed for students who have taken at least two years of high school Spanish or its equivalent. Spanish 0015 follows a communicative approach: from the first day of class you will interact in Spanish in a meaningful context with your instructor and classmates. By the end of this course you will have a general knowledge of the grammar of the Spanish language and you will be able to communicate effectively in Spanish according to this level. This course satisfies the foreign language requirement.

Prerequisite(s): none

Check with the department on how often this course is offered.

6 week 2 -- June 22 To August 1

SPAN – SPANISH

Undergraduate Course Offerings

0001 ELEMENTARY SPANISH 1

5 cr.

17647 Mo Tu We Th

No

Enroll

10:00 AM-12:45 PM

recitation.

Limit 16

2321 CL

This course is designed to develop communicative proficiency through an integrated approach to the teaching of all four language skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing. Grammatical structures, vocabulary, and readings are presented as tools for developing good communication skills. The course also aims to foster cultural awareness of the Spanish-speaking world.

Prerequisite(s): PREQ: No previous knowledge of Spanish Prerequisite(s): none this course is offered every term.

Prerequisite(s): none

Check with the department on how often this course is offered.

SPAN – SPANISH

Graduate Course Offerings

0003 ELEMENTARY SPANISH 3

5cr.

20201	Mo Tu We Th 10:00 AM-12:45 PM G21 CL	No recitation.	Enroll Limit 16
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The course builds on the skills acquired during the elementary sequence. It includes a functional review of the basic language structures and introduces more complex structures. The course has a strong cultural component.

Prerequisite(s): PREQ: SPAN 0002 or 0015 (MIN GRADE C for Listed Courses) or Spanish Placement Test Score equal/greater 3

Check with the department on how often this course is offered.