

Action Item 09-05b

**COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES  
NEW PROGRAM REVIEW FORM**

	Chair's Signature	Recommendation	Review Date
Department	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>17 July 08</u>
Division	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>9/12/08</u>
Dept. of Educ. (If course relates to teacher certification program.)			
Dean	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>9/17/08</u>
Curriculum Committee	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>10/22/08</u>
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CAS Faculty	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>Approved</u>	<u>2/5/09</u>
Approved By:	Faculty Senate _____	University Faculty _____	WU Board of Resents _____

1. Title of program. AAC [Signature]

**Optional Minor in Latin American, Caribbean, and Latino/a Studies**

**2. Rationale for offering this program.**

The minor is constructed around the premise that broader understanding issues that face Latin America, the Caribbean, and Latino/a today is crucial in the global community. The minor is also constructed around the second premise that nations do not exist in isolation. Interaction and interdependence shaped nations in the western hemisphere in the past, do so in the present, and will continue to do so in the future.

The proposed minor that brings together existing courses in a coherent minor may provide other benefits to the university. The minor may allow the university to attract new, more diverse, student populations. The minor may also provide additional enrollment opportunities for existing students.

**3. Exact proposed catalog description.**

**Degree Offered: Latin American, Caribbean, and Latino/a Studies  
Optional Minor**

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Latin American, Caribbean, and Latino/a Studies is an interdisciplinary program of studies building on existing course offerings in a range of departments. The minor is constructed around the premise that broader understanding issues that face Latin America, the Caribbean, and Latino/as today is crucial in the global community. The minor is also constructed around the second premise that nations do not exist in isolation. Interaction and interdependence shaped nations in the western hemisphere in the past, do so in the present, and will continue to do so in the future.

#### Student Learning Outcomes:

Upon completion of the Latin America, Caribbean, and Latino/a Studies minor students will be able to:

- Obtain basic understanding of Spanish language
- Understand broad outline of Latin American history
- Assess fundamental events in Latin American/Caribbean and United States history
- Evaluate the role of race in Latin America, the Caribbean, and the United States
- Outline issues facing Latin America and Latino/as in the United States in the present
- Assess cultural production (art, literature, film, etc.) as part of cultural identity in Latin America, the Caribbean, and in the Latino/a community in the United States.

#### Requirements for the Minor

Students will complete at least 18 credit hours of coursework. In addition to six credit hours of required coursework, students must complete at least 12 credit hours of elective courses from at least two disciplines. A student will not be able to take more than six elective credits in a single discipline. Some courses require completion of prerequisites.

#### Required Courses:

SP201, 202 or above (3 credits)

One of the following (3 credits):

HI100, 101, 102

AN112

Elective Courses which may count towards the minor include, but are not limited to:

MU106/AN120 Introduction to World Music

H1360 Mexico

HI361 Colonial Latin America

H1362 Modern Latin America

HI363 Borderlands and Beyond

HI364 History and Literature of Latin America

H1300 Special Topics (as pertinent to the minor, with permission of minor advisor)

HI398 Directed Readings (as pertinent to the minor, with permission of minor advisor)

SP290 Study Abroad in Latin America

SP305 Civilization of Mexico

SP306 Civilization of Latin America

SP307 Contemporary Hispanic Culture

SP331 Introduction to Hispanic Literature

SP340 History and Literature of Latin America

SP370 Latin American Literature thru the 19th Century  
SP372 20th Century Latin American Literature  
SP380 Introduction to Hispanic Cinema  
SP390 Study Abroad in Latin America  
SP399 Special Topics (as pertinent to the minor, with permission of minor advisor)  
P0362 Politics in Mexico and Latin America  
P0386 Directed Readings (as pertinent to the minor, with permission of minor advisor)  
AN114 Introduction to Archaeology  
AN320 Maya and Aztec  
AN325 Anthropology of the Caribbean  
AN300 Special Topics (as pertinent to the minor, with permission of minor advisor)  
IS400 Special Topics (as pertinent to the minor, with permission of minor advisor)

Attached is a chart that shows the frequency the above courses have been taught between academic year 2005-2006 and the present. Because of the frequency with which listed courses are taught, incorporating them into the minor will not place an extra burden on existing faculty.

4. List any financial implications.

There are no financial implications. The minor incorporates existing courses taught by current faculty in regular rotation.

<b>2005-2006</b>	<b>2006-2007</b>	<b>2007-2008</b>	<b>2008-2009</b>
HI100, 101, 102, SP201, 202, AN112 HI364/SP340, H1363, AN114, AN320, MU106/AN120, SP290, SP390	HI100, 101, 102, SP201, 202, AN112 H1361, P0362, AN114, MU106/AN120, SP306, SP372, SP331, SP290, SP390	HI100, 101, 102, SP201, 202, AN112 HI363, HI364/SP340, H1300 Independence and Revolutions in Latin America, AN114, AN320, AN325, AN300 Discover the Ancient Maya (study abroad), MU106/AN120, SP380	HI100, 101, 102, SP201, <b>202</b> , AN112 H1361, HI300/SP399 Latino Experience, P0362, AN114, AN320, AN325, MU106/AN120, SP331, SP370, SP290, SP390

\*HI362 was offered twice between academic year 2003-2004 and academic year 2004-2005.

\*SP307 is a new course and has not been offered yet. It will be offered regularly in the summer.

\*SP340 and 380 will be taught every other year. SP306 and 331 will be taught more frequently.