

LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

Application

Applications are accepted during these periods:

Fall/Spring: 3rd week of instruction – last day of RRR week / Summer: early June – mid-August

Check the IAS website for semester-specific dates of application acceptance.

Incomplete applications will be returned for revision.

Students are eligible to declare when they:

- have completed LAS 10 with a C or better; transfer students (only) may declare while enrolled in LAS 10*, and
- have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher, and
- are not in the final semester of undergraduate work.

* LAS 10 may be repeated only ONCE in order to obtain a grade of C or better.

All students who have completed the prerequisites may declare the major, including freshmen and sophomores.

Your Complete LAS Application consists of:

- ✓ **Completed Application Form and Program Worksheet (attached).**
- ✓ **Current Bear Facts (unofficial) Transcript** with your name printed on it. Please highlight all courses that apply to the major, AP scores, and transferable units from other institutions (community colleges, study abroad). For double majors or minors, please indicate which upper-division classes will overlap with the other major (maximum two) or minor (maximum one).
- ✓ **Official Transcript(s) from other Colleges.** These are only required if you have taken coursework that will count for the major. **Only official transcripts will be accepted.** *LAS Advisors do not have access to transcripts in the Admissions Office.*
- ✓ **Petition to Declare a Major (attached) or Double Major Packet (obtain from Letters & Science website or office).** If LAS is your second major, the Double Major Application materials must be completed and already signed by the advisor of the first major.

All forms must be completed and ready to submit when declaring

How to Declare

To declare, students must both:

- **Attend a Major Declaration Workshop and**
- **Submit application materials to LAS Faculty Chair Estelle Tarica (etarica@berkeley.edu; 5214 Dwinelle Hall) for review and**
- **Submit the LAS application materials to an advisor in 101 Stephens Hall for processing.**

Applications may not be dropped off or submitted via email.

Declaration Workshops are held throughout the fall and spring semester beginning the 3rd week of the semester. A limited number of workshops are available in the summer. Check the IAS website and in-office postings for dates and times.

Note: International students on F or J visas. International students who are declaring or changing their major must update this information on their I-20 or DS-2019 visa document. Contact the Berkeley International Office (formerly Services for International Students and Scholars) for updated visa information at <http://internationaloffice.berkeley.edu/students/current/main>. BIO is located at International House at 2299 Piedmont Ave

Latin American Studies Application Form

Chair

Chair initials: _____

Date: _____

Advisor

Approved/Rec'd by: _____

Date: _____

Please type or print

Personal Data

_____	_____	_____	_____
Last name	First	Middle	S.I.D. Number
_____			_____
@berkeley.edu email address			Local phone number
_____			_____
Permanent email address			Cell phone number

Academic Information

_____	_____	_____
Date of Major Declaration Workshop attended	Total units completed	AP units completed

First term at Berkeley (semester and year)	Proposed date of graduation (semester and year)	

Double major department (if applicable)	Minor program department (if applicable)	

Other colleges and universities attended:		
1. _____	from: _____	to: _____
2. _____	from: _____	to: _____
3. _____	from: _____	to: _____
4. _____	from: _____	to: _____

Please read and initial: Once declared in a major, students must obtain a new Advisor Code from their major advisor every semester in order to enroll in classes through TeleBears. Advisor Codes change every semester.

Bring a completed "Proposed TeleBears Study List" form to the Advising Office. Do this well before your Telebears appointment as this is a busy time in the office. Plan to discuss your progress in the major and your intended courses for the following semester. Forms are available at 101 Stephens.

Students studying abroad must email an advisor with a list of their proposed classes and the requirement each one fulfills. All other students must obtain the Advisor Code in person.

Student Initials _____ Date _____

LAS Program Worksheet

This worksheet is a planning aid. Use it to plan a thoughtful and coherent program of study. Think about what you want to get out of your major and which courses will support that purpose. Include alternative options in case a course is not offered or doesn't fit your schedule. Notify your advisor immediately of any changes. Use the LAS Handbook and the General Catalog as references.

Indicate the semester you already completed or plan to complete each requirement. See an advisor if you need assistance.
All courses for the major must be taken for a letter grade.

FILL THIS WORKSHEET OUT IN PENCIL – IT WILL CHANGE!

Lower Division Requirements: 2 courses

LAS 10: _____
Semester/Yr. _____

History 8A or 8B: _____
Semester/Yr. _____

Foreign Language Requirement

Language: _____ 4th sem. course: _____ Semester/Yr. _____

Upper Division Requirements: 9 courses

Latin American Literature and Culture: 2 courses

Course: _____ Semester/Yr. _____ Course: _____ Semester/Yr. _____

Course title: _____ Course title: _____

Latin American History: 2 courses

Course: _____ Semester/Yr. _____ Course: _____ Semester/Yr. _____

Course title: _____ Course title: _____

Upper Division Electives: 5 courses

Methods: 1 course from List A:

Course: _____ Semester/Yr. _____

Electives: 4 courses from List B:

Course: _____ Semester/Yr. _____

Course: _____ Semester/Yr. _____

Course: _____ Semester/Yr. _____

Course: _____ Semester/Yr. _____