**Spanish**

**(SPAN222) Cultural Difference in Contemporary Latin America**
Prentations and expressions in Latin America: cultural stereotypes, representations of difference, forms of discrimination, sublimation of difference into national identity, and the staging of the other. Taught in English.

*Instructor: Melissa Gonzalez-Contreras*

**(SPAN224) Violence and Resistance in the Americas**
Indigenous vision of violence and resistance in the Americas. Texts and maps from the European explorers and conquerors are also studied. Readings include primary texts from the 16th as well as from the 20th century. Taught in English.

*Instructor: Rebeca Moreno-Orama*

**(SPAN303) Approaches to Cultural Materials in the Hispanic World**
Development of proficiency in critical thought through the reading, viewing, and analytical discussion of major genres and styles of cultural materials selected from Spanish-speaking world. Taught in Spanish.

*Instructor: Rebeca Moreno-Orama, Douglas Glynn*
FALL 2018

LASC CERTIFICATE REQUIRED COURSES

(LASC234) Issues in Latin American Studies I - Also offered as: SPAN234, PORT234
Interdisciplinary study of major issues in Latin America and the Caribbean, including Latin America's cultural mosaic, migration and urbanization. Democratization and the role of religions. Taught in English.
Instructor: Britta Anderson

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Interdisciplinary study of major issues in Latin America and the Caribbean, including Latin America's cultural mosaic, migration and urbanization. Democratization and the role of religions. Taught in English.
Instructor: Britta Anderson

(LASC250) History of Colonial Latin America - Also offered as: HIST250.
Introductory survey of the history of Latin America from pre-Columbian Indian cultures to the beginning of the wars for independence (ca. 1810), covering cultural, political, social, and economic developments. Major themes include conquest, colonialism, indigenous culture, African slavery, religion, race and ethnicity, and gender ideologies.
Instructor: David Sartorius

(LASC458) Senior Capstone Course in Latin American Studies
Capstone course for advanced students in the Latin American Studies Certificate Program or other students with appropriate preparation. Interdisciplinary topics will vary each semester. In fall the Capstone will be delivered as a cohort group with research and thesis writing as its thematic organizer. All LASC certificate students MUST take the Capstone course during the fall semester of their final year of study, as the course is not offered in the spring. "Thesis writing will be one component of the class.
Instructor: Britta Anderson

LASC CERTIFICATE ELECTIVES Fall 2018

Latin American Studies

(LASC286/486) Internship in Latin American/Caribbean Studies
The course is primarily intended for students seeking the Certificate in Latin American Studies, but exceptions will be considered for students with educational or career interests which lie in this area. Student internships must be approved by the Director and students must secure an appropriate faculty mentor to supervise the internship course.
Internship experience with an organization that works with or studies Latin American and/or the Caribbean. This is an experiential learning course that provides semester-long training that enriches the student's academic field of study and the LASC Certificate. Students submit a final written report of how the experience ties into their major field of study.
Contact department for information to register for this course.
Instructor: TBA
Caribbean Literature in English
Political and literary traditions that intersect in the fiction, poetry, and drama written in English by Caribbean writers, primarily during the 20th century.
Instructor: TBA

African American Studies

Special Topics in Black Culture; African American and Latino Social, Cultural and Political Relations: 1940 to Present
“No Description Available”
Instructor: Jason Nichols

American Studies

Selected Topics in American Studies; U.S. Latina/o Literature and Culture - Also offered as ENGL235.
Poetry, prose, and theater of Latina/o communities in the United States from origins in Spanish colonization of North America to ongoing development in the 21st century. How authors use literary form to gain insight into human experience, including mortality, religious belief, gender and sexuality, war and peace, family, language use, scientific inquiry, cultural tradition, ecology, and labor. How Latina/o literary traditions have shaped and been shaped by broader currents in American literature. Connections between Latina/o literature and social and artistic developments in other parts of the world, particularly Latin America and the Caribbean. Authors may include Alvar Nunez Cabeza de Vaca, Eulalia Perez, Juan Nepomuceno Seguin, Maria Amparo Ruiz de Burton, Jose Marti, Arthur A. Schomburg, Jesus Colon, Julia de Burgos, Cesar Chavez, Ariel Dorfman, Gloria Anzaldua, Junot Diaz, and Cristina Garcia.
Instructor: Sharada Balanchandran Orihuela

Special Topics in American Studies; Central Americans and the United States: Culture, Politics and Community – Also offered as USLT498D
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Instructor: Robert Chester
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Anthropology

Amazon Through film
An interdisciplinary course that utilizes film to consider the Amazon basin, its history, peoples, and landscapes through cinematic representations. The course places the films in the context of film history and critical theory. The course takes into consideration the Brazilian, North American, Mexican, European and Argentine creators of the films and their visions of Amazonia, as well as the audiences and markets to which the films are intended.
Instructor: Janet Chernela
**Comparative Literature**

(CMLT235) Black Diaspora Literature and Culture – Also offered as ENGL235
Examination of key works by writers of the African Diaspora. Relationship among black people across multiple geographic spaces; Africa, the Caribbean, the United States, Europe, Latin America, and Asia. Specific historical, cultural, and literary contexts; themes such as gender, sexuality, migration, slavery, freedom, and equality. Readings may include literary texts (fiction, poetry, drama), music and film. All readings in English, but drawn from multiple languages of the black diaspora, including English, Spanish, French and Portuguese.
Instructor: TBA

**English**

(ENGL235/AMST298Q) U.S. Latina/o Literature and Culture
Poetry, prose, and theater of Latina/o communities in the United States from origins in Spanish colonization of North America to ongoing development in the 21st century. How authors use literary form to gain insight into human experience, including mortality, religious belief, gender and sexuality, war and peace, family, language use, scientific inquiry, cultural tradition, ecology, and labor. How Latina/o literary traditions have shaped and been shaped by broader currents in American literature. Connections between Latina/o literature and social and artistic developments in other parts of the world, particularly Latin America and the Caribbean. Authors may include Alvar Nunez Cabeza de Vaca, Eulalia Perez, Juan Nepomuceno Seguin, Maria Amparo Ruiz de Burton, Jose Marti, Arthur A. Schomburg, Jesus Colon, Julia de Burgos, Cesar Chavez, Ariel Dorfman, Gloria Anzaldua, Junot Diaz, and Cristina Garcia.
Instructor: TBA

(ENGL362) Caribbean Literature in English Also offered as LASC348E
Political and literary traditions that intersect in the fiction, poetry, and drama written in English by Caribbean writers, primarily during the 20th century.
Instructor: Merle Collins

(ENGL448A) Literature by Women of Color; Caribbean Literature by Women – Also offered as WMST448A. Prerequisites: two English courses in the English department or permission from English department
“No Description Available”
Instructor: Merle Collins

**Geographical Sciences**

(GEOG423) Latin America. Prerequisites: GEOG201 and GEOG202; and (GEOG332, GEOG435, or GEOG333). Or permission of BSOS-Geography department.
A geography of Latin America and the Caribbean in the contemporary world: political and cultural regions, population and natural resource distribution, economic and social development, poverty, crime, urbanization, migration trends, and natural disasters.
Instructor: Ronald Luna
Government & Politics

(GVPT205S) Special Topics in International Ethic, Conflict, and Immigration
Prerequisite: GVPT105.
Restriction: Must be in College Park Scholars program; and must be in GVPT international Studies program
An examination of issues in international ethics, conflict generated at the international level, and problems in immigration policy and law, including theories of rights and immigration, and ideological sources of international violence.
Instructor: Richard Boyd

(GVPT482) Government and Politics of Latin America
Restriction: Must be in Government & Politics program; or must be in Government & Politics: International Relations program.
A comparative study of the governmental systems and political processes of the Latin American countries.
Instructor: Isabella Alcaniz

History

(HIST250) Colonial in Latin America- Also offered as: LASC250.
Introductory survey of the history of Latin America from pre-Columbian Indian cultures to the beginning of the wars for independence (ca. 1810), covering cultural, political, social, and economic developments. Major themes include conquest, colonialism, indigenous culture, African slavery, religion, race and ethnicity, and gender ideologies.
Instructor: David Sartorius

(HIST328O) Selected Topics in History; Inventing the New World
From Columbus to the Amazons, El Dorado and the cannibals. This course explores how sixteenth-century Europeans tried to make sense of their discovery of America. Emphasis on the ways in which explorers, conquistadors, and missionaries textual and visual representations of native peoples and their cultures contributed to development of European colonialism.
Instructor: Alejandro Caneque

Honors

(HONR228J) The Caribbean Amidst the Global: Interrogating Issues of Pirates and Piracy
This course attempts a general but intensive examination of the Caribbean by focusing on issues of pirates/piracy to engender an historical, economic, political, social and cultural understanding of the region in the context of global forces and change. It seeks to separate myth from reality by investigating why piracy emerged and flourished in the Caribbean from the sixteenth to the eighteenth century; and to critically explore alternative ways in which one can (re)configure who is a pirate and what constitutes piracy, especially within the unfolding dynamics of neo-liberalism and globalization in today’s world. The motives and the nature of the reality of piracy will be explored by taking an inter-disciplinary approach and employing integrating themes of class, race, gender, culture, etc. These interconnected frameworks will allow insight into the complex context from which the vital and varied nature of the region has emerged, illuminating the multiple economic, social, political and cultural patterns and challenges in the region.
Instructor: Dorith Grant-Wisdom
(HONR268L) United States Immigration Issues
Issues of international migration and the integration of immigrants and refugees are among the most compelling and controversial issues of the twenty-first century. The purpose of this course is to give students an introduction to some important issues and complexities that characterize the U.S. immigration process and policies. It will also focus on proposals for immigration reform as well as expose students to various policy experts in and outside of government as well as community organizations that are integrally involved with immigrant communities and the immigration process.
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(SPAN361) Latin American Literatures and Cultures I: From Pre-Columbian to Colonial Times
Prerequisite: SPAN303; and (SPAN311 or SPAN316).

Overview of cultural history of Latin America from pre-Columbian civilizations to the Colonial period, exploring the foundations of the Spanish American cultural and literary tradition to approximately 1770. Taught in Spanish.
Instructor: Ginette Eldredge, Eyda Merediz

(SPAN361H) (Perm Req) Latin American Literatures and Cultures I: From Pre-Columbian to Colonial Times
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Instructor: Ginette Eldredge
(SPAN363) Latin American Literatures and Cultures III: From Modernism to Neo-Liberalism
Prerequisite: SPAN303; and (SPAN311 or SPAN316).

An overview of cultural and literary production of Latin America from the late 19th through the early 21st centuries, exploring the production of literary texts in their socio-historical, political, and cultural contexts and development. Taught in Spanish.
Instructor: Juan Carlos Quintero-Herencia, Melissa Gonzalez-Contreras

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