

Latin American Studies Program
University of Oregon

Learning outcomes for Latin American Studies majors

All students who graduate with a LAS major degree should be able to:

- 1) Demonstrate a broad knowledge and understanding of the region's geography, history, politics, gender and sexuality issues, cultures, environment, economics, and artistic and literary trends.
- 2) Show Spanish or Portuguese reading and writing proficiency that allows them to clearly communicate and function in at least one of those languages.
- 3) Analyze and offer interpretations of Latin America's many contributions to world cultures as well as the causes and effects of specific problems facing the region's peoples and nations within a comprehensive, interdisciplinary framework.
- 4) Critically process different types of information about the region and its peoples and assess them using systematic forms of reasoning, such as contrasting data, consulting relevant bibliographies, databases, and sources, and constructing solid arguments.
- 5) Carry out interdisciplinary research on a Latin American topic and present the results in a clear and coherent way.
- 6) Effectively communicate in both spoken and written formats to a variety of audiences.

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