

Chicano/Latino Studies, Graduate Emphasis

The Department of Chicano/Latino Studies offers a graduate emphasis in Chicano/Latino Studies, which is available in conjunction with the Ph.D. programs in the Departments of Anthropology; Criminology, Law and Society; English; History; Political Science; Planning, Policy, and Design; Sociology; Spanish and Portuguese; Gender and Sexuality Studies; the program in Visual Studies; the School of Education; and the program in Social Science. Satisfactory completion of the emphasis is certified by the Chair of Chicano/Latino Studies and is noted in the student's dossier.

Applicants must first be admitted to, or currently enrolled in, one of the participating programs listed above. Applicants must submit to the Chicano/Latino Graduate Program Committee (1) an application form listing prior undergraduate and graduate course work related to Chicano/Latino Studies (if any), institutions attended, and major(s); and (2) a one- to two-page statement of purpose, including career objectives, areas of interest and research, and record of research, teaching, community, and/or creative work.

The Committee determines admissions, in consultation with the Chicano/Latino Studies core faculty, based upon the extent to which the applicant's research interests relate to Chicano/Latino Studies, the applicant's previous course work, and research or other experience related to Chicano/Latino Studies. Lack of prior course work does not preclude admission, so long as the statement of research interests is congruent with the graduate emphasis and makes a compelling case.

Minimum course work for the graduate emphasis in Chicano/Latino Studies consists of four courses: CHC/LAT 200A and three elective courses selected from the list of graduate courses in Chicano/Latino Studies. Two of these elective courses must be cross-listed with department(s) other than the department in which the student is earning his/her Ph.D. One must be cross-listed with a department in a School other than the School in which the student is earning his/her degree and the second must be cross-listed with a department other than the department in which the student is earning his/her degree.

For doctoral students, the qualifying examination and dissertation topic should incorporate U.S. Latinos and/or issues relevant to Chicano/Latino Studies as a central focus of analysis. One member of the candidate's dissertation committee should be a core or affiliate faculty of the Chicano/Latino Studies Department.