

Latin American Studies Minor



In an increasingly global world it is important to have substantial knowledge about regions outside of North America. Latin America is a region rich in history and culture, and of great political, economic and social influence in the world system. The UCSD Latin American Studies minor

allows students to explore interdisciplinary approaches to this significant world region while pursuing a Sociology major. UCSD's program in Latin American studies has attained national and international distinction for its excellence in teaching, research, and public service.

To complete the program, students take a minimum of seven classes (twenty-eight units) in Latin American studies, five (twenty units) of which must be upper division. These courses need to be approved Latin American studies classes from the humanities and social sciences. All classes need to be taken for a letter grade and satisfactorily completed.

- Five courses (twenty units) need to be upper division.
- One course needs to be LATI 50, which is offered once per year.
- One course needs to fulfill the language requirement, which should be the culmination of at least two years of college-level language instruction in Spanish or Portuguese. This course can be fulfilled in the following ways:

- o LTSP 2C for nonnative speakers
- o LTSP 2D for native speakers
- o LTSP 50 or above
- o A UCSD approved Spanish/Portuguese education-abroad course

The Sociology courses on the pre-approved list are:

- SOCI 125- Sociology of Immigration
- SOCI 151M- Chicanos in American Society
- SOCI 163- Migration and the Law
- SOCI 175- Nationality and Citizenship
- SOCI 182- Ethnicity and Indigenous Peoples in Latin America
- SOCI 185- Globalization and Social Development
- SOCI 188D- Latin America: Society and Politics
- SOCI 188M - Social Movements in Latin America

These courses are often taught by Sociology professors; David Fitzgerald, April Linton, Carlos Waisman, and León Zamosc.

If you have any questions about minor-ing in Latin American Studies, please contact our student affairs advisor, Christy Earley, who advises for both Sociology and the Latin American Studies Program. She can be reached at cearley@ucsd.edu or (858) 534-7967.

¡Te Esperamos!

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What's up?

Sign up for the Sociology Listserv!

Did you know that the Sociology Department has it's own listserv for Undergraduates? Information about internships, jobs, graduate school, and various other topics are emailed through the listserv. This information is not emailed to the general population so you must be on the listserv to receive the emails.



If you are interested in being added to the listserv email socadvising@ucsd.edu with your name and email address.

USA

The Undergraduate Sociology Association (USA) is a forum for academic discussion and pre-professional and social opportunities. The mission of USA is to provide a place for

students to network with other Sociology majors, grad students, and faculty through hosting informal talks, film screenings and special events and is open to anyone who is interested in Sociology. The USA is looking to fill leadership positions for the 2011-12 academic year. If interested, please contact socadvising@ucsd.edu for more information.

New Advising Hours- Fall 2011

Please note the new walk-in academic advising hours starting in Fall 2011:

Monday- 1:00-3:30pm

Tuesday- 8:30-11:30am and 1:00-3:30pm

Wednesday- 8:30-11:30am

Thursday- 1:00-3:30pm

Friday- 8:30-11:30am

UCSD McNair Program



If you are considering a career as a researcher or university professor, you might see whether or not the UCSD Ronald E. McNair Program is right for you. The McNair Program provides opportunities for first generation college students from low-income families and students from underrepresented ethnic groups to prepare for graduate research and professorial careers.

The program facilitates research experience under the guidance of a faculty mentor in the Winter and Spring quarters and during an 8 week summer program from late June through mid August.

Students receive 4 units of 199 independent study credit during both the Winter and Spring quarters. During the Summer, students will receive a \$2,800 fellowship, free on-campus

housing, and an additional 4 units of 199 independent study credit (for a total of 12 units). In the Fall, students who are prepared to apply to graduate school will receive a \$500 graduate school application award to help offset application costs. McNair students also participate in a series of seminars designed to prepare them for graduate study and research.

Thirty McNair scholars will be selected annually on a competitive basis. You are eligible to apply if you have at least a 3.0 grade point average and an interest in pursuing a Ph.D. In addition, you must be a U.S. citizen or a permanent resident, a junior or senior (all majors) *And Either* a first-generation college student who is low-income, *Or* a member of a group under-

represented in graduate study (African American, Alaskan Native, American Indian, Chicano, or Latino)

A complete McNair Program application includes the following; a completed and signed application form, a personal essay, a current transcript, one letter of recommendation, copies of your own, and your parents' or guardians' 2010 federal (1040) tax returns.

For more information please contact the [McNair Coordinator](#) or (858) 534-2937. Office is located within the Academic Enrichment Programs, Student Center Building B, 2nd Floor East.

Office hours are 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday.

"If not us, who?
If not now, when?"

~John F. Kennedy

Congratulations one and all!!

to the Sociology Majors
who successfully completed
the 2010/2011
HONORS PROGRAM



Stacey Chin - *High Distinction*

Jessica Huerta - *Highest Distinction*

Marissa Perino - *High Distinction*

Rachel Rivas - *Highest Distinction*

Michaela Simmons - *Highest Distinction*

Lisa Steffen - *High Distinction*

Bravo!

The Department of Sociology was well represented at the **24th Annual Undergraduate Research Conference**, held in May, 2011. The conference is coordinated by the Academic Enrichment Program, which relies on nominations from faculty members. The sociology majors who presented papers are:

Jessica Alcaraz Huerta

Nominated by Professor Mary Blair-Loy
Thurgood Marshall College, Sociology
Air Force Women Facing Discrimination and Sexual Harassment: Speaking Up or Getting Out

Michaela Simmons

Nominated by Professor Ivan Evans
Thurgood Marshall College, Sociology, Studio Art
Voices on the Outside: Mass Incarceration and the Women Left Behind

Rachel Susan Rivas

Nominated by Professor April Linton
Eleanor Roosevelt College, Sociology
-Social inequality
First-Generation Opportunities and Traditional Expectations: How Family Socialization Provides Access to Higher Education



And the winner is:

Rachel Rivas

Recipient of the 2010/2011 Outstanding Academic Paper Award in the Department of Sociology for her honors thesis entitled, "*First-*

Generation Opportunities and Traditional Expectations: How Family Socialization Provides Access to Higher Education."

Important Dates

Fall 2011

Fall Instruction Begins - September 22

Deadline to drop without penalty - November 28

Fall Final Exams - December 5-10

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Holidays

Labor Day - September 5

Veterans Day - November 11

Thanksgiving - November 24- 25

Winter Break - December 26- January 2



Go on. Go ahead. We dare you. Study Abroad.



The Department of Sociology strongly encourages its majors and minors to study abroad. Students will find programs worldwide in which to take classes that will complement their study of sociology at UCSD. Through the University of California's Education Abroad Program (EAP) or (OAP), students will find hundreds of programs of varying lengths and levels of cultural and language immersion, one of which is sure to suit their individual needs.

Why Study Abroad?
Regardless of your future career choice be it law,

market research, international relations, social welfare, counseling, education, business or politics, study abroad will help you develop skills greatly enhanced by experiences gained through immersion in a foreign culture.

A Study Abroad experience will:

- Increase your proficiency in another language
- Expand your worldview
- Develop self-confidence and independence
- Enhance your resume and/or applications for graduate school
- Prepare you for a career in an internationally competitive world

Requirements
The Department of Sociology allows a maximum of 4 courses taken abroad to count towards your major requirements. It is strongly recommended that all students going abroad complete Soci 100 and an upper division "methods" course prior to departure. (Upper division methods courses are Soci 103M through Soci 110)

For more information, please visit:
<http://programsabroad.ucsd.edu>