MAJORS OFFERED:
Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Latin American and Iberian Studies

The major in Latin American and Iberian Studies offers you opportunities to explore a diverse range of fields, broadly connected through the cultures of Spanish and Portuguese speaking countries. This includes all Latin American countries, Portugal and Spain, African nations such as Angola, Equatorial Guinea and Mozambique, the Philippines, Macao, and Chicana/o, Puerto Rican, and other populations in the U.S.

In this exciting interdisciplinary program, taught in various departments and with a range of approaches, you are able to create your own pathways and delve into specific disciplines and areas according to your interests and career goals. You can engage with a country, region, or peoples, or follow an issue (such as education, gender, politics, environmental concerns) in a range of contexts.

Encompassing the humanities, fine arts, and social sciences, areas for study include history, literature, language, music, dance, theater, visual arts, film, art history, anthropology, education, environmental studies, geography, political science, religious studies, Chicana/o studies, Black studies, and sociology. By taking a major in Latin American and Iberian Studies you are able to make connections between fields, and perhaps even create new ones, as you develop independent thought, critical reasoning, and creativity.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH LATIN AMERICAN AND IBERIAN STUDIES?
This is truly a degree for the twenty-first century, in which you will develop core skills of innovation, critical thinking, and knowledge of key global areas, making you highly desirable in the fast-changing employment market.

Your knowledge and skills will facilitate you in many professional areas, such as education, artist production, museum work, civil and social services, politics, translation, and law.

You will be well equipped for admission to excellent schools for graduate study.

WHY IS LAIS AT UCSB A GREAT CHOICE?
- Flexibility to make guided choices according to your developing interests.
- Opportunity to specialize with world-renowned professors in many different departments.
- Advantage of academic credit for internships, which are completed as part of an independent studies course.
- Opportunity to undertake a research project that culminates in a senior honors thesis under the direction of a faculty advisor.
- Option of studying abroad, either through the university's Education Abroad Program (EAP) or through study at other universities in Mexico, Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, Spain and Portugal.

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UCSB Career Services
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