CSULB College of Liberal Arts Advising Center

2026 - 2027 Bachelor of Arts in Chicano and Latino Studies
Special Track
33 Units

Use this checklist in combination with your official Academic Requirements Report (ARR). This checklist is not intended to replace advising. Consult the advisor for appropriate course sequencing. *Curriculum changes in progress. Requirements subject to change.*

To be considered for admission to the major, complete the following Major Specific Degree Requirements (MSDR) by 60 units:
• Minimum 2.0 overall GPA • Grades of "C" or better in GE Foundations, Arts and Humanities (Area 3), and Social and Behavioral Sciences (Area 4) • First-Time, First-Years (Freshmen) who began in Fall 2021 or later: Grade of "C" or better in Ethnic Studies (Area 6)

	Courses	Prerequisites
Chicano & Latino Studies Lower Division Core Courses - Complete **TWO** of the following courses (6 units total):		
	CHLS 100: Introduction to Chicano and Latino Studies (3)	
	CHLS 101: Introduction to Chicano/a and Latino/a Life (3)	
	CHLS 105: Latina/o Cultural Identity (3)	
	CHLS 150: Introduction to Chicano Literary Studies (3)	

Complete **ALL** of the following core courses (12 units total):		
	CHLS 300: Chicano History (3)	GE Foundations
	CHLS 310: Chicana/o and Latina/o Thought and Action (3)	
	CHLS 350/SOC 340: The Latino Population in the United States (3)	GE Foundations
	CHLS 498: Senior Colloquium (3)	Consent of Instructor
Chicano & Latino Studies Special Track Electives (15 units total)		
Complete a maximum of **6 UNITS** from other disciplines in consultation with an advisor (6 units total):		
	Course 1:	
	Course 2:	
Chicano & Latino Studies Upper Division Electives - Complete **9 UNITS** from the following (9 units total):		
	CHLS 305: Chicana/o and Latina/o California History (3)	GE Foundations
	CHLS/AFRS/AIS/ASAM 319: Racial and Ethnic Experience in the United States (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
	CHLS 320: Wealth and Poverty in Latino Communities (3)	
	CHLS 330: Critical Issues in Chicana and Latina Studies (3)	Upper Division Standing or Consent of Instructor
	CHLS/ASAM 335: Asian and Latino Immigration Since World War II (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
	CHLS 340: Latino Education in the U.S. (3)	
	CHLS/ASAM 341: Asian American and Chicano/Latino Cinema (3)	GE Foundations
	CHLS 352/SOC 341: Central American and Caribbean Peoples in California (3)	GE Foundations
	CHLS 360: Chicana/o and Latina/o Rhetoric (3)	
	CHLS 362: Latinas/os, Law, and Public Policy (3)	
	CHLS/ENGL 370: Chicana/o and Latina/o Literature (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
	CHLS 375: Latinas and the Prison System: A Comparative Perspective (3)	
	CHLS 380: Chicana/o/x Latina/o/x Performance and Theater (3)	Upper Division Standing
	CHLS 385: Beyond Racial Tensions: The Relational Racial Formation of Latinx Communities in the U.S. (3)	Upper Division Standing; GE Ethnic Studies
	CHLS 390: The U.S. - Mexico Borderlands: Historic and Literary Images (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
	CHLS 400: Chicana/o and Latina/o Politics in the U.S. (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing

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	CHLS 411: Archival Quest: Reclaiming Latinx Rhetorics (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
	CHLS 412A: Centralizing Latinx Narratives: Seminar in Writing Self-Autoethnography (3)	Upper Division Standing or Consent of Instructor
	CHLS 415/WGSS 320: Latina Women in the United States (3)	Upper Division Standing or Consent of Instructor
	CHLS 420: Chicano Heritage in the Arts of Mexico and the Southwest (3)	
	CHLS 421: Street Gangs in Comparative Perspective (3)	
	CHLS 430: The Latino Transnational Experience in the Caribbean: Empire, Reform, and Revolution (3)	Upper Division Standing or Consent of Instructor
	CHLS/ENGL/WGSS 442: Sexing Chicana Literature (3)	GE Composition; Upper Division Standing; or Consent
	CHLS 445/WGSS 445A: Latinas and Revolution (3)	Corequisite: Upper Division Standing; or Consent
	CHLS/RGR 450: 1492 and Beyond (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
	CHLS/HCA 470: Latinas/Latinos: Health Status and Health Care Access (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
	CHLS 490: Selected Topics in Chicano and Latino Studies (1 - 3)	Consent of Instructor
	CHLS 499: Directed Studies (1 - 3)	Consent of Instructor

Department Language Requirement		
Complete **ONE** of the following options: 1. Complete **TWO YEARS** of college-level Spanish (10 - 12 units total) 2. SPAN 250: Spanish for Bilinguals (6 units) 3. A score of 4 or above on Spanish Language or Literature Advanced Placement (AP) exam 4. Successful completion of a CHLS Department proficiency exam		
	Option:	

In order to graduate from CSULB, students must complete General Education/GWAR/Major requirements and have a minimum of 120 units (40 must be upper division) with at least a 2.0 in all GPAs (Overall, CSULB, Major).

Additional Information

- **See online Catalog for additional course information, limitations, and requirements.**
- Some courses may also fulfill GE requirements. Visit the GE website for course selection: csulb.edu/student-records/general-education-requirements.
- A course can only be used to satisfy one major requirement. **Double counting is not allowed within the major**.

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Checklists are available on the ATLAS website