

CHICANA/CHICANO STUDIES

Chicana and Chicano Studies Program Learning Outcomes (<https://catalog.csudh.edu/program-learning-outcomes/arts-humanities/bachelor-arts-chicanao-studies-learning-outcomes/>)

College of Arts and Humanities
Department of Chicana and Chicano Studies
Bachelor of Arts
Degree Roadmap
Minor

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Program Description

Undergraduate

The Chicana/Chicano Studies (CHS) major emphasizes preparation for those interested in teaching; specialists in bilingual and cross-cultural education; majors in other academic fields who wish to include an additional scope in their field; students pursuing advanced degrees (M.A., M.S.W., Ph.D., or J.D.); and those entering a variety of occupations such as business, communications, urban affairs, government, social work, school administration, counseling, criminology, law, foreign services and other related fields.

In addition, the CHS Department sponsors an extensive public programming calendar throughout the academic year, including the annual Chicana and Chicano Studies Department Lecture Series. The CHS Department also co-sponsors the annual campus-wide Día de los Muertos celebration and the annual Dolores Huerta Graduation Celebration. In support of student organizations, Chicana and Chicano Studies faculty members serve as advisors and work closely with the following student organizations: MEChA, Espiritu de Nuestro Futuro, Hermanas Unidas, and Latina/o Greek organizations.

Features

The Major and Minor in Chicana/Chicano Studies provide several distinct advantages to students by:

1. placing emphasis on critical thinking and research;
2. promoting students to consider graduate school for specialization in Chicana and Chicano Studies and other disciplines;
3. promoting greater understanding and awareness of Chicana/o community needs and circumstances;
4. promoting greater appreciation of the contributions of Chicano/as and other indigenous groups to the total development of the American Southwest or Greater Mexico;
5. training leaders, both inside and outside of minority communities, to work in challenging careers working in minority affairs, and;
6. preparing them in other fields, such as public policy, immigration affairs, community organization, performing arts; and
7. empowering them to document the historical realities of Chicana/o people.

Academic Advisement

All majors in Chicana and Chicano Studies have a faculty advisor. Students wither select an advisor, or have one assigned to them. Students work closely with faculty to prepare them or academic success and potential career choices.

Career Options for Chicana/Chicano Studies

- attend graduate school
- work for the federal, state, city or local government
- K-12 teaching
- college and university teaching
- counseling and advising
- criminology
- social work and human resources
- journalism
- media and business networking
- community organizing
- work in the private sector
- public administration
- continue on to a Master's degree or a professional degree
- foundation for a Ph.D. in Chicana/o Studies, Ethnic Studies, Comparative Cultures, Anthropology, Sociology, Psychology, Political Science, History, Art, Spanish, English, and other fields
- opportunities to travel and study abroad

Preparation

Although not required, both high school and community college students wishing to major or minor in Chicana and Chicano Studies are encouraged to take courses that relate to Chicana/o and Latina/o experiences.

Graduation with Honors

An undergraduate student may graduate with Honors in Chicana/o Studies provided that the following criteria are met:

1. A minimum of 36 units in residence at CSU Dominguez Hills;
2. A minimum grade point average of at least 3.5 in all courses used to satisfy the upper division requirements in the major;
3. Recommendation by the faculty of the Chicana/o Studies Department.

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Degree Roadmap

Total Course Requirements for the Bachelor's Degree

See the "Requirements for the Bachelor's Degree (<https://catalog.csudh.edu/general-information/baccalaureate-degrees-undergraduate-studies/>)" in the University Catalog for complete details on general degree requirements. A minimum of 40 units, including those required for the major, must be upper division.

Elective Requirements

Completion of elective courses (beyond the requirements listed below) to reach a total of a minimum of 120 units.

General Education Requirements (49 units)

See the "General Education (<https://catalog.csudh.edu/general-information/double-counting-general-education-courses/general-education/>)" requirements in the University Catalog or the Class Schedule for the most current information on General Education requirements and course offerings.

Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement

See the "Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (<https://catalog.csudh.edu/general-information/graduate-writing-examination/>)" in the University Catalog.

Minor Requirements

No minor required.

Major Requirements (39 units)

The following courses, or their approved transfer equivalents, are required of all candidates for this degree.

A. Core Requirements (21 units)

1. Lower Division Required Courses (6 units)

a. Select one of the following courses (3 units)

CHS 100 Chicana/o Cultural Roots (3)

CHS 205 Introduction to Chicana/o Literature (3)

b. Select one of the following (3 units)

CHS 200 Introduction to Chicana/o and Latina/o History (3)

CHS 212 Introduction to Comparative Ethnic Studies (3)

2. Upper Division Required Courses (12 units)

a. Required Courses (6 units)

CHS 300 Critical Issues in Chicana/Chicano Studies (3)

CHS 401 Theories and Methods in Chicana/o Studies (3)

b. Select one of the following courses (3 units)

CHS 460 Las Chicanas (3)

CHS 486 Chicana/o Family and Gender Issues (3)

c. Select one of the following (3 units)

CHS 344 Chicana/o History I (3)

CHS 346 Chicana/o History II (3)

CHS 480 Chicana/o Folklore (3)

3. Capstone (3 units)

CHS 490 Senior Seminar in Chicana/o Studies (3)

B. Electives (18 units)

1. Select three courses from the Cultural and Historical Inquiry Area (9 units)

CHS 325 Chicana/o Movement (3)

CHS 340 Native American and Chicana Women's Narrative (3)

CHS 344 Chicana/o History I (3)

CHS 345 Latina/o Identities in the Americas (3)

CHS 346 Chicana/o History II (3)

CHS 372 Chicana/o Spiritualities and Healing Practices (3)

CHS 410 Chicana/o Popular Culture (3)

CHS 450 Precolumbian Lit of Mexico (3)

CHS 480 Chicana/o Folklore (3)

CHS 486 Chicana/o Family and Gender Issues (3)

CHS 494 Independent Study (1-3)

CHS 495 Spec Topic Chicano/Chicana St (1-3)

CHS 496 Internship Chicana/o Studies (3)

CHS 497 Directed Reading (1-3)

CHS 498 Directed Research in CHS (1-3)

ANT 333 Ancient Peoples Of Mexico (3)

HIS 366 Colonial Latin America (3)

HIS 367 Modern Latin America (3)

HIS 368 Mexico: Colonial (3)

SPA 351 Contemporary Hispanic Culture: Spanish-Speaking America (3)

SPA 456 Literature of Spanish America (3)

SPA 461 Lecturas Mexicanas y Chicanas (3)

ART 363 Latin American Art (3)

2. Select three courses from the Social, Political, and Educational Inquiry Area (9 units)

CHS 315 Changing Dynamics in Raza Comm (3)

CHS 323 Latina/o Perspectives on U.S. Immigration and Citizenship (3)

CHS 330 Latina/o Identities in U.S. (3)

CHS 335 Urban Youth Gangs in Los Angeles (3)

CHS 375 Chicana/o Latina/o Body Politics (3)

CHS 396 Practicum in Chicana/o Studies (3)

CHS 400 Chicana/o Issues in Education (3)

CHS 436 Chicana/o Latina/o Politics (3)

CHS 460 Las Chicanas (3)

CHS 471 Mexican Thought, Social Activism and Political Ideology (3)

CHS 494 Independent Study (1-3)

CHS 495 Spec Topic Chicano/Chicana St (1-3)

CHS 496 Internship Chicana/o Studies (3)

CHS 497 Directed Reading (1-3)

CHS 498 Directed Research in CHS (1-3)

PSY 380 Psychology of the Mexican American I (3)

POL 343 Political Behavior in Latin America (3)

POL 344 Latin America: The Revolutionary Tradition (3)

SPA 435 A Sociolinguistic Approach to Chicano/Latino Dialect (3)

Minor in Chicana/Chicano Studies (18 units)

A. Required Courses (9 units)

1. Required Lower Division Courses (6 units)

a. Select one of the following courses

CHS 100 Chicana/o Cultural Roots (3)

CHS 205 Introduction to Chicana/o Literature (3)

b. Select on for the following courses

CHS 200 Introduction to Chicana/o and Latina/o History (3)

CHS 212 Introduction to Comparative Ethnic Studies (3)

2. Required Upper Division Courses (3 units)

Select one of the following courses:

CHS 300 Critical Issues in Chicana/Chicano Studies (3)

CHS 401 Theories and Methods in Chicana/o Studies (3)

B. Electives (9 units)

Select three courses with CHS prefixes from the list of electives, in consultation with an advisor.