CHICANO STUDIES (A.A.)

The mission of the Chicano Studies Department is to develop in students the academic tools to recognize, critically understand, and appreciate the social, historical, and continuing cultural significance of the Mexican American, Chicana (o), and all Latinx communities. Chicano Studies Faculty prepare students to major in Chicano Studies with the option to transfer to four-year universities, actively participate in the workplace, and to effect positive change as it relates to local, national, and global purposes. Through completion of courses from the fields of Chicano Studies, Ethnic Studies, Spanish, English, Health Occupations, Counseling, Interdisciplinary Studies, Art, History, Women's and Gender Studies, Sociology, Philosophy, Psychology, and Anthropology, the Chicano Studies Degree explores intersectionality globally, within the Mexican American, Chicana (o), all Latinx communities, and racialized societies. To enact change through civic advocacy, students are empowered to apply their knowledge and skills in the service of their communities and to act in accord with the acquired principles of racial and social and justice.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

- · Value the Spanish language skill as the primary cultural ethnic identity root, and success in college and career predictor among Chicanos, Mexican Americans, and Latin Americans in the U.S. and around the globe.
- · Transform through community-based learning in the context of the Latinx and racialized communities' struggles with civic engagement activities led by the principles of racial and Social Justice.
- · Communicate an internalized bilingual understanding of the special nature of the Chicana(o) ethnic identity process and the significance of this cognitive process to all groups.
- · Create a social movement by graduating and seeking a transfer degree at four-year university.

Program Requirements

Code Number	Course Title	Units
Required Courses		
CS 100	Introduction to Ethnic Studies: Chicano/a Studies	3.0
ENGL 223	Chicana/Chicano Literature	3.0
ENGL 225	Mexican Literature in Translation	3.0
SPAN 101	Elementary Spanish	5.0
or SPAN 111	Elementary Spanish for Spanish Speakers	
SPAN 102 or SPAN 112	Elementary Spanish	5.0
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SPAN 245	Introduction to Chicano/Mexican American Culture	3.0
Elective Courses		
Select two of the following:		6.0-9.0
ANTH 100	Cultural Anthropology (3)	
ANTH 170	Introduction to Language and Culture (3)	
ANTH 202	The Maya, Inca and Aztecs: Ancient Civilizations of the Americas (3)	
ART 105A	The Arts of Latin America and the Caribbean: Pre-Columbian (3)	

Total Units 28-31		
 or ETHN 105	Gender Studies and the Chicana/Latina Experience	
WGS 105	Gender Studies and the Chicana/Latina Experience (3)	
WGS 101	Introduction to Women's and Gender Studies (3)	
SPAN 210	Highlights of Hispanic Culture (3)	
SPAN 202	Intermediate Spanish (4)	
SPAN 201	Intermediate Spanish (5)	
or ETHN 210	Race and Ethnic Relations in the U.S.	
SOC 210	Race and Ethnic Relations in the U.S. (3)	
SOC 215	Sociology of Cultural Diversity: Challenge and Change (3)	
SOC 201	Social Problems (3)	
PSYC 261	Social Psychology (3)	
PHIL 200	World Religions (3)	
PHIL 104	Philosophy of Cultural Diversity: Challenge and Change (3)	
INST 100	Principles and Strategies for Problem Solving (3)	
or ART 108	Black Images in Popular Culture	
HUM 108	Black Images in Popular Culture (3)	
HO 100	Health of Underserved Communities (3)	
HIST 235	History of Latin America (3)	
HIST 230	History of Mexico (3)	
or CS 108	History of Mexican and Latino Americans in the United States	
HIST 108	History of Mexican and Latino Americans in the United States (3)	
HIST 120	History of California (3)	
COUN 150	Dynamics of Leadership (3)	
ART 105B	The Arts of Latin America and the Caribbean: Colonial to the Present (3)	

ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Complete the following

- 1. major requirements,
- 2. the A.A. Degree General Education requirements for, and (3) electives to achieve a minimum of 60 units.