
"STUDENTS MUST
HAVE INITIATIVE;
THEY SHOULD NOT
BE MERE IMITATORS.
THEY MUST LEARN
TO THINK AND ACT
FOR THEMSELVES,
AND TO BE FREE."
-CÉSAR CHÁVEZ

OUR STORY

The Center for Mexican American Studies (CMAS) at the University of Houston was established in 1972 as an interdisciplinary academic program encompassing the liberal arts, education and social sciences focusing on the Mexican American and broader Latino experience in the U.S. Its mission is to advance knowledge, promote critical thinking and foster the value of service to the community. This involves designing a broad spectrum of public and scholarly programs. Located within the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, CMAS has evolved into an academic unit with several major components: teaching, research and publications, recruitment and retention, leadership training, academic advising and community service.



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MINOR IN MEXICAN AMERICAN STUDIES

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REQUIREMENTS

The minor in Mexican American Studies requires MAS 2340 Introduction to Mexican American Studies and a minimum of 15 semester credit hours (5 courses). This includes a minimum of six or nine semester credit hours from approved liberal arts courses and a minimum of six or nine semester credit hours from approved social science courses. Nine of the 15 hours must be taken at the University of Houston (in residence) and nine hours must be advanced (junior and senior level). Of these nine, at least six must be taken in residence. A 2.00 minimum grade point average over all courses applied to the minor is required. No more than 3 semester credit hours can be taken in Spanish "language" courses. "MAS" prefixed courses can be used in the social science category for the minor as well as in the liberal arts.

ABOUT THE CMAS MINOR

The Center for Mexican American Studies offers a minor in Mexican American Studies. The material covered in the minor conveys the broad and rich experiences of Latinos and Latinas in the United States. A minor in Mexican American Studies augments a student's major area of study and prepares them to better understand the history, culture, social relations, folklore, literature, politics, and numerous contributions that Latinos and Latinas have made to U.S. society.



THE COURSES

Social Sciences (6-9 Hours)

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| ANTH 3312 | MEXICAN AMERICAN CULTURE |
| ANTH 4372 | MAYA ARCHAEOLOGY |
| ANTH 4373 | ARCHAEOLOGY OF THE AZTECS AND THEIR NEIGHBORS |
| POLS 3372 | LATINO POLITICS |
| SOC 3324 | HISPANIC IDENTITY |
| SOC 3326 | IMMIGRATION IN THE US SOCIETY |
| SOC 3372 | MEXICAN AMERICAN FAMILY |

Liberal Arts (6-9 Hours)

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| ENGL 3361 | MEXICAN AMERICAN LITERATURE |
| HIST 3312 | PRE-COLOMBIAN ART |
| HIST 3332 | CHICANO HISTORY UP TO 1910 |
| HIST 3333 | CHICANO HISTORY SINCE 1910 |
| HIST 3369 | COLONIAL MEXICO |
| HIST 4319 | CHICANOS AND AMERICAN EDUCATION |
| HIST 4369 | MODERN MEXICO 1810-PRESENT |
| MAS 2340 | INTRO TO MEXICAN AMERICAN STUDIES |
| MAS 3340 | MEXICAN AMERICAN URBAN COMMUNITIES |
| MAS 3341 | MEXICAN AMERICAN EXPERIENCE THROUGH FILM |
| MAS 3342 | MEXICAN IMMIGRATION TO THE US |
| MAS 3343 | LATINO PSYCHOLOGY |
| SPAN 23021 | INTERMEDIATE SPANISH I |
| SPAN 2302 | INTERMEDIATE SPANISH II |
| SPAN 2307 | SPANISH FOR NATIVE SPEAKERS I |
| SPAN 2308 | SPANISH FOR NATIVE SPEAKERS II |
| SPAN 3301 | ORAL COMMUNICATIONS IN SPANISH |
| SPAN 3331 | MEXICAN AMERICAN LITERATURE |
| SPAN 3345 | HISPANIC FOLKLORE OF THE SW |

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