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- Two 3-credit gateways seminars
  - LAS 6293: Design and Methods of Research in Latin American Studies
  - LAS 6220: Issues and Perspectives in Latin American Studies
- 12 credit hours of an interdisciplinary specialization
- 3 credit hours of an internship or a capstone project (LAS 6949), or of thesis research (LAS 6971)
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- Andean Studies
- Arts, Literature and Culture
- Brazilian Studies
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- Development Studies and Economic Analysis
- Education in the Americas
- Gender, Sexuality and Racialization
- Indigenous Studies
- International Communications
- Latin American Business Environment
- Latinx Studies, Migration & Transnational Studies
- Tropical Conservation and Development

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Advanced proficiency in one or more of the following languages:

- Spanish
- Portuguese
- Haitian Creole

Language requirement can be satisfied through coursework or an oral proficiency exam.