Master of Arts in Latin American Studies (MALAS)

MALAS Program

General MALAS Degree Information
• Typically completed in 3 – 4 semesters
• Thesis and non-thesis degree options available
• Joint MALAS/JD degree offered in collaboration with UF Levin College of Law
• BA/MALAS combined degree also offered
• Concurrent degrees (eg: MALAS/MBA) considered
• Regional & topical interdisciplinary specializations
• Assistantships and fellowships available

Coursework Requirements
• 30 credit hours, including up to 6 credit hours of thesis research (LAS 6971), internship or capstone project (LAS 6949)
• Two gateway seminars
  • Design & Methods of Research in Latin American Studies
  • Issues & Perspectives in Latin American Studies
• 12-15 credit hours of an interdisciplinary specialization

Foreign Language Requirements
• Demonstrated 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

MALAS students design an individualized, interdisciplinary plan of study that draws upon the social and natural sciences, the humanities, and the professional schools.

How to Apply

MALAS Application Deadline
• First weekday of February for fall admission
• First weekday of November for spring admission

Online Application
• Information on UF’s online application process: www.graduateschool.ufl.edu/admission/how-to-apply
• UF Online Application for Graduate Admission: www.admissions.ufl.edu/applygraduate.html

Student Funding
• Assistantships, fellowships, and other scholarships available through the Center www.latam.ufl.edu/academics/financial-support/student-funding
• Honorably discharged veterans are eligible for in-state tuition: www.veterans.ufl.edu