The renowned richness of our flagship MALAS program is the result of sustained dialogue among faculty and students with a broad range of perspectives and backgrounds. MALAS students graduate with in-depth insight and interdisciplinary perspectives on real-world issues within Latin American, Caribbean, and Latino/a/x Studies, as well as skills in leadership, critical thinking, and adaptive problem-solving.

Building on two gateway seminars, each MALAS student develops an individualized path of study, integrating courses from the humanities, social and natural sciences, and professional schools. The degree consists of 30 credit hours, typically taking four semesters to complete, and culminates in a thesis, capstone project, or internship.

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MALAS REQUIREMENTS

- 6 credit hours from two seminars:
  - LAS6220 Issues and Perspectives in Latin American Studies
  - LAS6293 Design and Methods of Research in Latin American Studies

- 12 credit hours fulfilling interdisciplinary specialization (see below)

- 3 credit hours of internship or capstone project or thesis research

\[ \text{LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY} \]

- in Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian Creole, or other Indigenous/Creole language in region

\[ \text{REMAINING CREDITS} \]

- in graduate courses of interest (including language), or up to 3 additional credits of internship/capstone or thesis research

At least 15 of the 30 credits earned must be in courses listed as LAS. Students must produce and successfully defend a thesis, internship, or capstone project. Language proficiency may be fulfilled through coursework or proficiency exam.

MALAS SPECIALIZATIONS

Specializations help students and advisors navigate the curricular landscape supporting Latin American Studies at UF and foster connection around shared interests among faculty and students.

- Arts, Literature and Culture
- Caribbean Studies
- Crime, Law, and Governance in the Americas
- Development Studies and Economic Analysis
- Education in the Americas
- Indigenous Studies
- Latin American Business Environment
- Latin American Politics
- Latinx Studies, Migration & Transnational Studies
- Race, Gender and Sexuality
- Tropical Conservation and Development

FUNDING OPTIONS

We offer several scholarships, assistantships, and fellowships for graduate students. Learn more here: go.ufl.edu/las-funding

OTHER OFFERINGS

We offer a combined BA/BS + MALAS degree, as well as a joint MALAS/JD degree with the UF Levin College of Law. Contact us to find out if these are a good fit for you!

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