

Interdisciplinary Concentrations

In addition to the required major and optional minor programs, the university also offers a number of interdisciplinary concentrations and programs as options to supplement and strengthen specific degree majors. Interdisciplinary concentrations consist of approximately 18 to 39 semester hours of course work in which the student has attained at least a 2.0 (C) average. To qualify for a concentration students must complete all the requirements of the related major as specified in the *Bulletin*. A completed concentration is noted on the transcript. For further details concerning concentrations, programs, and recommended courses, students are advised to contact the coordinator/director or the chairperson of a department participating in the concentration or program. The contact secretary for all concentrations is located in the Department of Political Science in the Administration Building.

Concentrations

The following interdisciplinary concentrations are available:

Latin American Studies — Bringing together the courses relevant to the study of Latin American culture, social structure, religion, politics, literature, and history, this concentration seeks to enhance a student's liberal arts education through the attainment of a basic level of expertise in Latin American studies. Depending on the particular major, Latin American Studies prepares students for advanced studies or for a career in business, journalism, government, or non-governmental organizations related to this crucial region of the world.

The concentration is administered by the Latin American Studies Concentration Committee (LASCC). The LASCC is composed of faculty from several departments in the College of Arts and Sciences.

While requirements are flexible to accommodate students with different interests and majors, the concentration allows and encourages a focus.

Requirements:

- A. Core of the concentration: except for SP 301, each course must be from the list of approved courses.
 1. SP 301 (along with satisfaction of its prerequisites)
 2. At least three courses from History and Political Science, with at least one course from both of those disciplines
 3. At least one course must be HS 274, PO 254, or SP 314
- B. Electives of the concentration

Nine hours of other courses from the list of approved courses (available at the LASC website) or accepted by the LASCC through petition. For a list of courses that may be used to satisfy the requirements for completion of the concentration, please see either of the LASCC coordinators or visit the concentration's website at

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www.jcu.edu/politicalscience/dhahn/LatinAmericanStudies/Latstudpage.htm.

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