CHECKLIST FOR COMPLETING
THE LATIN AMERICAN AND LATINX STUDIES MAJOR
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Below is a checklist to assist students in the Latin American and Latinx Studies (LLS) major. This checklist is not a substitute for advisement in the major. Be sure to consult your LLS major advisor when making your academic schedule. Your advisor can provide you with information not on this document.

PREREQUISITES
Depending on foreign language placement, students may have to complete the 101-102 (or 111-112) language sequence as prerequisites for the 200-level Spanish or Portuguese requirement. The 101 (or 111) course satisfies the Flexible Core: World Cultures and Global Issues category and the 102 (or 112) course satisfies the College Option: Communications category of the Gen Ed program.

PART ONE. Four Core Courses 12 credits
All are required

_____ LLS 124 Latinx People in the United States

_____ LLS 130 Introduction to Latin American History

_____ LLS 242/ HIS 242/ POL 242 U.S Foreign Policy in Latin America
Prerequisites: ENG 101, and sophomore standing or above, or permission of the section instructor

_____ LLS 322 Latinx Struggles for Civil Rights and Social Justice
Prerequisites: ENG 201 and junior standing or above

PART TWO. Research Methods 3 credits

_____ LLS 315 Research Methods in Latin American and Latinx Studies
Prerequisites: ENG 201 Composition II, LLS 124 Latinx People in the United States, LLS 130 Introduction to Latin American History

PART THREE. Study Abroad, Fieldwork, Or Independent Research 3 – 4 credits
Select one option:

_____ Study Abroad in Latin America

_____ LLS 321 Puerto Rican/Latinx Community Fieldwork

_____ LLS 489 Independent Research Project
PART FOUR. Language Requirement  0 – 3 credits
Students are required to take one 200-level course in Spanish or Portuguese.

Please note:
• Students who have prior knowledge of Portuguese or Spanish can take a placement exam in the Modern Language Center, (212-484-1140, languagelab@jjay.cuny.edu).
• SPA 207, SPA 308 and SPA 335 do NOT fulfill this language requirement. They are taught in English.
• Some students may be exempt from this requirement based on the results of a CLEP or a placement exam or a 200-level Portuguese or Spanish language course may have been taken at another college. Please consult your LLS advisor about exemptions.

PART FIVE. Electives  12 credits
Students must choose a track and select three courses. In the other track, students must select one course. At least six credits (two courses) must be taken at the 300-level or above. The two course

TRACK A: Latin America
1. 
2. 
3. 

TRACK B: U.S. Latinx
1. 
2. 
3. 

PART SIX. Capstone Experience  3 credits

LLS 425 Senior Seminar in Latin American and Latinx Studies: Issues of Justice and Injustice

PART SEVEN. LLS Honors Option  0 – 3 credits

LLS 489 Independent Study 400- level
Prerequisite: ENG 201 and permission of the instructor and department and Office of Undergraduate Studies. NOTE: Students must qualify for Honors in the LLS major to enroll in LLS 489 Independent Honors Project.