Education plan
for
Bachelor Programme in Latin American Studies
Kandidatprogram i latinamerikastudier

180.0 Higher Education Credits
180.0 ECTS credits

Programme code: HLASK
Valid from: Spring 2020
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Department: Department of Romance Studies and Classics

Decision
This general syllabus was adopted by the Faculty Board of Humanities on 2009-10-14 and revised 2016-11-13.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements
Specialization Portuguese
English B/English 6

Specialization Spanish
English B/English 6

Programme structure
This Bachelor's program has a multidisciplinary and international profile. It provides knowledge about the history, politics, economics and social and cultural development in Latin America, the Caribbean and the Hispanic USA. This region is currently undergoing major changes, with new movements and ideas gaining ground, the change of trading patterns, and the reduction of poverty. While the continent is looking for its role in today's global context, giving the opportunity to previously excluded and marginalized groups to demand their rights within the political and economic development. But despite the progress many of the countries on the continent are still characterized by the inequality and instability of the past. The interplay between the past, the present and future are the focus of Latin American Studies, and you as a student to study Latin America from many perspectives. Latin American Studies is an interdisciplinary subject that derives its theoretical and methodological approaches from the social sciences and humanities. The Bachelor Programme in Latin American Studies includes six semesters of study (180 credits) and consists of the main area-specific required courses totaling 90 credits, compulsory courses in Spanish or Portuguese, totaling 60 credits and optional course's for a total of 30 credits. Within the program, students have the opportunity to do an internship/field work in Latin America. In addition to the study of Latin America there will be given the opportunity to focus on individual themes and specific geographical areas of the continent. All teaching in Latin American Studies is conducted in English. Language of instruction is English and the language that belongs to the chosen specialization (Portuguese / Spanish). With a Bachelor degree you will have the requirements for admission to the advanced level.

Work opportunities
Knowledge of Latin American Studies are in demand in the labor market because of the continent's growing importance in trade and industry, government, international organizations and diplomacy, tourism and media.

Goals
**Degree of Bachelor**

*Knowledge and understanding*

The student shall
- demonstrate knowledge and understanding in the main field of study, including knowledge of the disciplinary foundation of the field, knowledge of applicable methodologies in the field, specialised study in some aspect of the field as well as awareness of current research issues.

*Competence and skills*

The student shall
- demonstrate the ability to search for, gather, evaluate and critically interpret the relevant information for a formulated problem and also discuss phenomena, issues and situations critically;
- demonstrate the ability to identify, formulate and solve problems autonomously and to complete tasks within predetermined time frames
- demonstrate the ability to present and discuss information, problems and solutions in speech and writing and in dialogue with different audiences, and
- demonstrate the skills required to work autonomously in the main field of study.

*Judgement and approach*

The student shall
- demonstrate the ability to make assessments in the main field of study informed by relevant disciplinary, social and ethical issues
- demonstrate insight into the role of knowledge in society and the responsibility of the individual for how it is used, and
- demonstrate the ability to identify the need for further knowledge and ongoing learning.

**Courses**

*Study route and obligatory courses*

**Specialization Portuguese:**

*Semester 1*
Latin America Studies I, 30 credits, (main field of study Latin America Studies)

*Semester 2*
Latin America Studies II, 30 credits,
(main field of study Latin America Studies)

*Semester 3*
Portuguese I, (main field of study Portuguese)

*Semester 4*
Portuguese II, (main field of study Portuguese)

*Semester 5*
Studies abroad or Internships, 30 credits, (main field of study Latin America Studies)
or
Other courses 30 credits.

*Semester 6*
Latin American Studies - Bachelor's Course, 30 credits,
(main field of study Latin America Studies).

**Specialization Spanish:**

*Semester 1*
Latin America Studies I, 30 credits,(main field of study Latin America Studies)

*Semester 2*
Latin America Studies II, 30 credits,
(main field of study Latin America Studies)

*Semester 3*
Spanish I, (main field of study Spanish)
Semester 4  
Spanish II, (main field of study Spanish)

Semester 5  
Studies abroad or Internships, 30 credits, (main field of study Latin America Studies)  
or  
Other courses 30 credits.

Semester 6  
Latin American Studies - Bachelor's Course, 30 credits,  
(main field of study Latin America Studies).

Degree  
The programme leads to a Degree of Bachelor in Latin America Studies.

Misc  
Transition arrangements:  
When the programme is discontinued, students have the right to complete their studies in accordance with this syllabus within an additional period of two years after the nominal duration of the programme. This is subject to the restrictions specified in the syllabi for the courses included in the programme; alternatively, equivalent training will be offered.