

CHICANO/A STUDIES, MINOR

The Chicano/a studies minor complements majors and careers in law, sociology, social work, languages, education, government, business and other disciplines. Courses offer unique undergraduate preparation for those who seek entrance to graduate studies in law, humanities or the social sciences.

Students who plan to live and work in the American Southwest or aspire to careers that involve relations in the American continents are likely to be well served by Chicano/a Studies courses. The interdisciplinary approach emphasizes history and cultural studies, and selected courses provide the student with in-depth knowledge of specific aspects of the Chicano/a community.

Program Goals

- To provide individual courses as well as a minor to fulfill the unique role and mission of Colorado State University Pueblo.
- To offer an individually designed minor in support of students' majors.

Student Learning Outcomes

1. Critically examine the social, historical, and cultural relevance of Chicanos within the United States and the US/Mexico borderlands.
2. Analyze the complexities of Chicano identity.
3. Evaluate the contributions of women within Chicano history.
4. Examine and interpret how Chicanos have impacted the culture, politics, and history of Southern Colorado.

Outcomes Assessment Activities

- An annual review of student's capstone projects is conducted to evaluate the programs goals and student learning outcomes.
- The program is developing a means of measuring student's progress in core courses.

Specific Program Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
CS 101	Introduction to Chicano Studies (GT-HI1)	3
CS 136	The Southwest United States (GT-HI1)	3
CS 306	La Chicana	3
CS 346	History of Mexico	3
CS 485	Capstone	3
Electives		
Selet 9 credits		9
Total Credits		24

Electives

Electives may be selected from Chicano/a Studies courses, several of which are cross-listed with other departments, or by approval of the Chicano/a studies coordinator, from courses in such areas as Spanish, history, psychology, sociology, and social work, among others.

Course	Title	Credits
CS/ENG 220	Survey of Chicano/a/x Literature (GT-AH2)	3
CS/SW 230	Chicano: Social & Psychological Study (GT-SS3)	3

CS 235	Ballet Folklorico	3
CS 291	Special Topics	1-3
CS 303	Chicano Labor History in the United States	3
CS/SW 325	Health in the Chicano Community	3
CS/WS 341	Chicana Writers	3
CS 420	Voices of Protest	3
CS/WS 401	Third World Feminisms	3
CS/HIST 489	Borderlands	3
CS 491	Special Topics	1-3
CS 495	Independent Study	1-3
CS 498	Internship	1-3

Performance Criteria

Upon completion of the minor students are to submit a copy of their capstone project to the coordinator and two individuals chosen by the dean to review their capstone project to see if it fits the goals and SLOs of the program. A total of 80% of the students should have met the outcomes and goals of the program. Papers will be assessed every spring.

Students must earn a C or better in all courses applicable to the minor.