

Collaborative Specialization in Latin American and Caribbean Studies (LACS): Masters & PhD Levels

This Collaborative Specialization provides master's and doctoral students in the programs listed below a Latin American and Caribbean cultural perspective complementing their home programs. LACS courses explore Latin American, Caribbean and Latinx identities and communities through study of rich tradition of world-class literature, visual arts, sports, and music. They also analyze social problems, political struggles and economic relations of our southern neighbors which are becoming even more significant in the new times of geopolitics. There are many directions students can take in their LACS Collaborative Specializations, but with supportive guidance of 18 faculty members at the University of Guelph who specialize in Latin America, Latinx issues, and the Caribbean.

PROGRAM

Students must complete two required courses: LACS*6010 Latin American and Caribbean Identity and Cultures and LACS*6020 Re-Imagining Community.

Whether completing a major research paper or a thesis, 30% of students' final projects must discuss Latin American and Caribbean topics. At least one member of the student advisory committee must be a core graduate faculty member of LACS.

Additional requirements will be specific to each student's primary program.

Participating Academic Programs:

- English (MA)
- Literary Studies/Theatre Studies in English (PhD)
- Political Science (MA and PhD)
- Public Issues Anthropology (MA)
- Rural Studies (PhD)
- Social Practice and Transformational Change (PhD)
- Sociology (MA and PhD).



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Prospective students apply to their primary program of interest and identify Latin American and the Caribbean as an area of focus. If a student is admitted to the primary program, they are then eligible for admission to the Collaborative Specialization. At that time, applicants will be required to submit a Letter of intent briefly outlining their interest in LACS. Graduate students who are currently enrolled in a Participating Program can apply directly to the Collaborative Specialization by writing a Statement of Intent that explains how their research ideas fit with the LACS specialization.

Application Deadline

Please contact the home department of the primary program of interest.

Program Contact

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