A Course of Study for

LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

This program prepares students for work with Spanish and/or Portuguese-speaking populations in the US and abroad. There are four possible areas of emphasis: liberal arts, international business, health sciences, and dance. This certificate is designed to complement an Associate Degree or Certificate of Achievement. Students will analyze and examine the countries and cultures of Latin America and the Caribbean.

PLEASE NOTE: Students must petition the Modern Languages and Cultures department to obtain a Department Certificate in Latin American Studies.

PROGRAMS OFFERED

- Transfer Preparation
- African and Middle Eastern Studies Department Certificate
- Asian Studies Department Certificate
- Latin American Studies Department Certificate (16 units)
- Related Program: Spanish Associate Degree for
- Transfer

DEPARTMENT CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

A Department Certificate is granted upon successful completion of a program of study with a designated minimum number of units, including:

- Completion of the area of emphasis with a grade of C or higher in each course, or with a P if the course was taken on a Pass/No Pass basis, and the P is equal to a C or higher;
- Completion of at least 50% of area of emphasis units at Santa Monica College;

Note: Department Certificates are not noted on student transcripts. Students must submit a petition to the relevant academic department to be awarded a Department Certificate.

CATALOG RIGHTS

A student may satisfy the requirements of a degree that were in effect at any time of the student’s continuous enrollment. Continuous enrollment is defined as enrolment in consecutive Fall and Spring semesters until completion.

TRANSFER PREPARATION

Many colleges/universities offer baccalaureate degrees in various languages and linguistics. Students planning to transfer to a four-year college or university should complete the lower-division major requirements and the general education pattern for the specific transfer institution.

SMC has articulation agreements with the many UC and CSU campuses, as well as several private and out-of-state institutions.

Exact major requirements for UC and CSU campuses can be found online at assist.org.

A listing of private, nonprofit California colleges and universities can be found online at aicc.edu. For articulation agreements between SMC and some of these institutions see smc.edu/articulation.
LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES, DEPARTMENT CERTIFICATE (16 UNITS)

Program Learning Outcomes: Upon completion of the program, students will demonstrate coherent and comprehensive analyses of the cultural and linguistic diversity of Latin American and the Caribbean and the differences and commonalities in their world views and systems.

AREA OF EMPHASIS: (16 UNITS)

### Required Language Courses: (7 units)
- **PORTGS 1**, Elementary Portuguese 1 (5)
- **SPAN 3**, Intermediate Spanish I (5)
- **SPAN 4**, Intermediate Spanish II (5)
- **SPAN 8**, Conversational Spanish (2)
- **SPAN 12**, Spanish for Native Speakers 2 (5)
- **SPAN 25**, Spanish for the Professions (3)

### Required Civilization Course:
- **SPAN 20**, Latin American Civilization (3)

Select a minimum of 6 units from ONE of the Focus Area below:

#### Liberal Arts Focus Area:
- **ANTHRO 21**, Peoples and Power in Latin America (3)
- **ANTHRO 35s**, Archeological Field Techniques (3)
- **AHIS 5**, Latin American Art History 1 (3)
- **AHIS 6**, Latin American Art History 2 (3)
- **AHIS 15**, Mexican Art History (3)
- **ENGL 57**, Latin-American Literature (3)
- **ENGL 58**, Literature of Mexico (3)
- **HIST 5**, History of Latin America I (3)
- **HIST 6**, History of Latin America II (3)
- **HIST 19**, History of Mexico (3)
- **HIST 42**, The Latina(o) Experience in the United States (3)
- **HIST 43**, Mexican-American History (3)
- **SOCIOL 31**, Latinas/os in Contemporary Society (3)

#### International Business Focus Area:
- **BUS 50**, Introduction to International Business (3)
- **BUS 51**, Intercultural Business Communication (3)
- **BUS 52**, International Marketing (3)
- **BUS 53**, Importing and Exporting (3)
- **BUS 54**, International Management (3)
- **BUS 55**, Southern California’s International Connections (3)

#### Health Sciences Focus Area (only available to students admitted to the SMC Nursing Program):
- **HEALTH 60**, Multicultural Health and Healing Practices (2) *(same as NURSNG 60)*
- **NURSNG 10**, Nursing Skills (2)
- **NURSNG 28**, Community-Based Nursing Practice (1)

#### Dance Focus Area:
- **DANCE 20**, World Dance Survey (2)
- **DANCE 22**, Beginning Mexican Dance (2)
- **DANCE 23**, Intermediate Mexican Dance (2)
- **DANCE 27**, Brazilian Dance (2)
- **DANCE 27B**, Intermediate Brazilian Dance (2)
- **DANCE 57A**, World Dance Performance (3)