Latino Latin American Studies (LLAS)

Latino Latin American Studies (LLAS) examines the politics, history, language, culture, literature, sociology, anthropology, economics, and creative accomplishments of Latinos in the US. This diverse population includes people who trace their heritage to Mexico, Cuba, Puerto Rico, El Salvador, Guatemala, Nicaragua, and many other Latin American and Caribbean nations. LLAS will prepare students to be more competitive in the increasingly challenging and diverse workforce environment.

Enhance your marketable skills through:

- Minor(s): Marketing, Business Foundations, Management, or Public Administration, Communication Studies, Sociology, Anthropology, Psychology, and Criminal Justice among others
- Legal Studies certificate for students interested in law school
- Latina/o and Mexican-American Studies Certificate
- Peace Corps Prep Certificate
- Internship(s) and research opportunities for course credit
- Study Abroad experience(s)

Possible Related Careers:

- Federal Government
- State and Local Government
- Teacher/Professor
- Law Enforcement
- Lawyer
- US Companies in Latin America
- Non-Profits in US & Latin America
- All Companies with Latino Clientele

Student Organizations:

- Political Science Student Association (UNT PSSA)

Professional Organizations:

- American Political Science Association

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