

# *Latin American and Caribbean Studies (LACS)*

## **Courses**

### **LACS 1220. Latino, Latin American, and Caribbean Studies. (4 Hours)**

Offers an interdisciplinary introduction to Latinos and people of Latin American and Caribbean origin in the United States as well as to the regions of Latin America and the Caribbean. Dispels a series of powerful myths associated with U.S. Latinos and in Latin American and Caribbean society, such as racial inferiority, poverty, machismo, and violence. Introduces the construction of Latino, Latin American, and Caribbean identities as well as the politics, economics, history, and culture.

**Attribute(s):** NUpath Interpreting Culture, NUpath Societies/Institutions

### **LACS 1261. Global Caribbean. (4 Hours)**

Focuses on the culture and history of Caribbean societies in global perspective. Explores Caribbean creativity and resilience across English, French, and Spanish linguistic and political spheres with examples from literature, art, music, food, technology, and performance. Considers the global reach of Caribbean diasporas, highlighting the long local histories of Caribbean communities in Boston. Follows four key themes—indigeneity, blackness, diaspora, and creolization—to understand this unique point of entry for the study of race, gender, and sexuality in the Americas.

### **LACS 1990. Elective. (1-4 Hours)**

Offers elective credit for courses taken at other academic institutions. May be repeated without limit.

### **LACS 2365. Latinx Youthhood in the United States. (4 Hours)**

Surveys topics related to Latinx youthhood. Includes historical, social, and cultural roots of Latinx youthhoods in the United States and how Latinx youthhood has been shaped within colonial, transnational, and global contexts. Emphasizes understanding the ways in which social institutions found in and across the United States and Latin American sending communities have structured Latinx youthhoods in relation to race, gender, class, and citizenship, as well as how Latinx youths have exercised agency to contest the social inequalities resulting from the practices and policies of these social institutions.

**Attribute(s):** NUpath Societies/Institutions

### **LACS 2990. Elective. (1-4 Hours)**

Offers elective credit for courses taken at other academic institutions. May be repeated without limit.

### **LACS 3990. Elective. (1-4 Hours)**

Offers elective credit for courses taken at other academic institutions. May be repeated without limit.

### **LACS 4990. Elective. (1-4 Hours)**

Offers elective credit for courses taken at other academic institutions. May be repeated without limit.

### **LACS 6962. Elective. (1-4 Hours)**

Offers elective credit for courses taken at other academic institutions. May be repeated without limit.