



Honors in the LACIS Major

Students wishing to pursue honors in the major should contact the LACIS undergrad advisor, [Sarah Ripp](#). The LACIS Honors in the Major track is comprised of three essential components: GPA standards; Honors course work in the major; and a year long honors research experience. In addition to the college wide requirements of a 3.3 cumulative GPA, and the LACIS requirement of a 3.4 GPA in the major, students are required to complete a minimum of 18 credits of Honors work in the major (grade B or better), including:

- **LACIS Introductory Course** taken for Honors:
Interdepartmental 260: Introduction to Latin American Studies OR
History 241: Colonial Latin America, Conquest to Independence OR
History 242: Modern Latin America, from Independence to Present);
- **Senior Capstone Seminar** taken for Honors (International Studies 603);
- **Research Experience (LACIS 681-682)**: Honors Thesis (2 semesters, 6 units) OR
Two-Semester Research-based Alternative.

Note: Honors Thesis units should be taken under the department of the advising professor. In the past some students have used a Hilldale Project or a Wisconsin Idea Fellowship as an alternative to the Thesis requirement.