

**DEGREE/PROGRAM CHANGE
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Proposed effective term:

Semester

Fall

Year

2013

Course Information

Select Appropriate Program

Undergraduate Degree Program

Name of New or Existing Program

* NEW Certificate in Transnational Latino Studies

Select Category

Certificate

Degree Type

Undergraduate

Select Action

New

Exact Title and Requirements as they should appear in the catalog. If there is a change, upload current and proposed requirements.
See current catalog for format within the respective college (upload a doc/pdf file)

[Final Transnational Catalogue description 1.doc](#)

☐ **Does this change affect other departmental program/branch campuses? If yes, indicate below.**

Reason(s) for Request * (enter text below or upload a doc/pdf file)
Chicano Hispano Mexicano Studies seeks to offer a 15-hour online certificate program in the area of Transnational Latino Studies. This curricular innovation would better align CHMS to other Chicana and Chicano Studies field innovations, draw on faculty expertise in the area of Latino Transnational Studies, and diversify the comparative content related to Chicano and Latino populations in the U.S. CHMS seeks to establish a 15-hour online certificate program in Transnational Latino Studies. In addition, faculty members in Chicana and Chicano Studies seek to engage students in research and learning opportunities about the complex and vibrant make-up of U.S.-Mexican borderlands societies.

Upload a document that includes justification for the program, impact on long-range planning, detailed budget analysis and faculty workload implications. *

[Final Rationale Transnational Online.pdf](#)

Certificate – Transnational Latino Studies (Online)
Chicano Hispano Mexicano Studies
College of Arts and Sciences
15 Hours Minimum Requirement

Statement of Academic Purpose

The Chicano Hispano Mexicano Studies program at the University of New Mexico is an interdisciplinary program with a foundation in Chicano/Latino studies. The mission of the program is to promote critical understanding of Chicano Hispano Mexicano communities through teaching, research, and community partnerships. This program accomplishes its mission by offering an undergraduate minor as well as sponsoring and participating in community initiatives and public lectures. The curricula and community engagement efforts focus on (1) Chicana/o cultural studies, (2) politics and social justice, and (3) the transnational US-Mexico experience. Our curricula areas allow us to offer courses concerned with gender and sexuality, race and ethnicity, arts and culture, political and social mobilization, immigration and citizenship, history and heritage, land grant studies, and Chicana feminism and/or Queer theory. The three areas are addressed through a curricula taught in both English and Spanish and maintain a regional and transnational focus in New Mexico, the U.S. Southwest, and Mexico.

This certificate program is suited for UNM degree seeking students who are interested in pursuing a special focus in Transnational or Transborder Latino Studies. In addition, this certificate is available to individuals seeking to enhance their knowledge and understanding of Chicano and Latino populations in the United States. Additional unit requirements exist for non-degree seeking students.

Certificate Requirements

A minimum of 15 hours for UNM degree seeking students*, including the following:

- Select 3 hours from each of the following sections:
Section 1: Introductory Studies
CHMS 102 or CHMS 201
- Section 2: Globalization
CHMS 310 or CHS *460
- Section 3: Gender and Expressive Culture
CHMS 331, CHMS 364, or CHMS 365
- Select 6 hours from the following
Section 4: Community Studies
CHMS 384 or CHMS 351 (may take up to 6 hours) or CHMS 393

*As per UNM guidelines non-degree seeking students pursuing the certificate in Transnational Latino Studies must earn a total of 30 units of college credit.

Form C –Introduction of Certificate Program
Transnational Latino Studies
Chicano Hispano Mexicano Studies (CHMS)

Rationale:

CHMS seeks to establish a 15-hour online certificate program in Transnational Latino Studies. A certificate program in Transnational Latino Studies draws on faculty expertise and innovative curricular and programmatic initiatives in the Chicana and Chicano Studies program. Faculty members in Chicana and Chicano Studies seek to engage students in research and learning opportunities about the complex and vibrant make up of the U.S.-Mexican borderlands, geographies, societies and expressive cultures.

CHMS is positioned to offer an online certificate program in Transnational Latino Studies. This certificate program builds upon highlight faculty expertise in the area of Transnational Latino Studies. Two core faculty members, LM García y Griego and Irene Vasquez are Latin American historians by training and hold joint appointments in CHMS. Patricia Rosas Lopátegui, a half-time Lecturer, in CHMS specializes in transnational Chicana and Mexican feminist writers and transnational filmmaking. Affiliated faculty members also have expertise in transnational studies. CHMS core and Affiliated faculty members will teach in the Transnational Latino Studies certificate program. In addition, CHMS is prepared to offer online course delivery, which will contribute to the variety of course currently offered through the College of Arts and Sciences through the Extended University. Moreover, a certificate in Transnational Latino Studies will better situate CHMS in regards to comparable Chicana and Chicano Studies departments and programs at Tier 1 universities. CHMS has the academic assets to keep pace with the innovations that have taken place in the area of transnational and transborder studies within the field of Chicana and Chicano Studies. Several widely regarded Chicana and Chicano Studies programs at UTEP and Arizona State University have adopted transborder and transnational academic frameworks. The online certificate program in Transnational Latino Studies would better align the academic program to quality academic programs.

Impact on Long Range-Planning:

CHMS faculty members have engaged in academic planning efforts to enhance the quality of the academic program. These planning efforts centered on identifying potential areas of development that draw on the program faculty's areas of expertise and that are of academic interest to students enrolled in the program. Currently, Transnational Perspectives is one of the three primary areas of specialization in the CHMS minor program and constitutes a primary area of concentration in the proposed major. Clearly, this is an area that can be further developed and offered as a certificate program.

Budget and Faculty Load Workload Implications:

CHMS offers nine to ten home courses a semester. Within its current scheduling and budget parameters, CHMS provides one course a semester in the area of Transnational Studies. For example, in the fall CHMS offers Immigration and Assimilation as a crosslisted course with the History Department. In spring, CHMS offers Latinos in a Global Society as a crosslisted course with Management and Sociology, and offers Cine Chicano and Latino as a crosslisted course with Spanish and Media Arts. CHMS plans to continue to offer these two courses to meet credit hours in the minor and proposed major and certificate programs. Additional faculty resources are not required to implement the certificate program. Therefore, there is no immediate financial impact. Additional funds may be provided through the Extended University to make this certificate available to Mexican students in Mexico.