

Chicano/Chicana Studies

Chicana/Chicano studies is the interdisciplinary study of the socio-historical and contemporary factors that influence contemporary Chicana/o and Chicanx/Latinx cultures including their pre-Hispanic roots in the Americas. Chicana/Chicano studies focus on systematic racism, ethnocentrism, and Eurocentrism with the ultimate goal of overcoming systems of oppression throughout the world. Chicana/Chicano studies also investigates how race/ethnicity intersects with colonialism, imperialism, class, gender, and sexuality.

Students take courses to prepare for a Chicana/Chicano studies major or to fulfill general education requirements. Career options include teaching at the high school and college level, social work, non-profit work, human services, counseling, law enforcement, legal professions, and business.

Academic and Career Pathway

Social and Behavioral Sciences (<https://www.miracosta.edu/academics/degree-and-certificate-programs/social-and-behavioral-sciences/>)

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<https://www.miracosta.edu/academics/degree-and-certificate-programs/social-and-behavioral-sciences/sociology/index.html> (<https://www.miracosta.edu/academics/degree-and-certificate-programs/social-and-behavioral-sciences/sociology/>)

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Courses

CCS 100: Introduction to Chicana/o Studies

Units: 3

Prerequisites: None

Enrollment Limitation: Not open to students with prior credit in SOC 230 or CCS 230.

Acceptable for Credit: CSU, UC

Lecture 3 hours.

Course Typically Offered: Fall, Spring

This course is an introductory survey of the field of Chicana and Chicano studies, including its origins, evolution, current status, and academic and career path possibilities. It uses a critical interdisciplinary approach to mobilize a robust array of research methods, theoretical frameworks, and applied practices to analyze the historical development, contemporary issues, intellectual traditions, and cultural expressions of Chicana and Chicano populations in the US. The course is designed for all students interested in interdisciplinary approaches, community engagement, cultural competency, and social justice as well as the fields of Chicana and Chicano studies and ethnic studies. (Formerly SOC 230/CCS 230)

CCS 232: Critical Issues in Chicana and Latina Studies

Units: 3

Prerequisites: None

Enrollment Limitation: Not open to students with prior credit in SOC 232.

Acceptable for Credit: CSU, UC

Lecture 3 hours.

Course Typically Offered: Fall, Spring

This course examines critical themes in Chicana and Latina feminist scholarship and the lived experiences of Chicana and other Latina women in American society. It applies an interdisciplinary approach to examine power within and resistance to the family, religion, education, economics, culture, social conditions, health, and other areas.