

# CHICANA/O AND LATINA/O STUDIES

The department-like unit of Chicana/Chicano and Latina/Latino Studies is being renamed to Chicana/x/e and Latina/x/e Studies in Summer 2026.

The Chicana/x/e and Latina/x/e Studies Program (CLS) offers a systematic and interdisciplinary analysis of Mexican- and Latin-American-origin people, cultures, and collectivities within the United States. The CLS certificate is designed to provide students with a broad knowledge base and the intellectual tools to understand the unity and diversity of U.S. Latina/x/e populations. The primary objective of the CLS program is to train students in the study of Chicana/xs/es and Latina/xs/es, as well as to introduce them to the central questions, topics, and applications that have emerged in this field of inquiry.

CLS offers a variety of courses, some focusing on particular national-origin groups or specific academic disciplines, and others organized around comparative topics or issues. We welcome you to join our academic community of learners.

**Note:** The endings "x" and "e" in "Chicana/x/e and Latina/x/e" represent two gender-neutral ways of referring to people of Latin American descent in the United States.

## DEGREES/MAJORS/CERTIFICATES

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- Chicana/o and Latina/o Studies, Certificate (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/chicana-chicano-latina-latino-studies/chicana-chicano-latina-latino-studies-certificate/>)
- Chicana/x/e and Latina/x/e Studies, BA (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/chicana-chicano-latina-latino-studies/chicanxe-latinxe-studies-ba/>)
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