Advising Worksheet
B.A./B.S. in Latin American, Caribbean & Iberian Studies (LACIS)

Course requirements for the LACIS major:

I. Introductory Requirement (1 Course)
Choose one of the following FOUR options to fulfill the introductory requirement.

Please check off all courses you have completed:

☐ History 260: Latin America: An Introduction OR
☐ Poli Sci 261: Intro to Latin American Politics OR
☐ History 241: Latin America: 1780-1930 OR
☐ History 242: Latin America: 1898-Present

II. Language Requirement (Min. 4 Courses)

☐ Complete or test out of the fourth semester of Spanish or Portuguese.
☐ Spanish or Portuguese Proficiency Exam*
☐ Four courses in Spanish and/or Portuguese language, literature, and civilization above the second-year level are required.

Please list the courses you’ve completed below:

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III. Area of Concentration (Min. 5 Courses)

☐ At least five courses with 25% Latin American, Caribbean, and/or Iberian content in an area of concentration which the student self-selects. The concentration may be disciplinary (history, anthropology etc.) or topical (poverty, gender, social justice etc). The courses in the area of concentration CAN NOT be Spanish or Portuguese language or literature courses.

Please list the courses you’ve completed below:

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Please contact the LACIS Undergraduate Advisor for more information or to set up an appointment to discuss the program:
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IV. Breadth Requirement (Min. 3 Courses)
- Three courses outside of the selected area of concentration which can be either:
  - additional courses in Spanish and/or Portuguese language, literature, and civilization over the 220 level; AND/OR
  - courses in Quichua and Yucatec Maya; AND/OR
  - additional Latin American, Caribbean, and Iberian courses

Please list the courses you've completed below:

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V. Other Requirements
- Development of an area of concentration and submission of your proposal to the LACIS Advisor
- *Non-Spanish or Portuguese/LACIS Double Majors are required to take a Spanish or Portuguese proficiency exam prior to graduation (this test is administered by the Dept. of Spanish & Portuguese)
- Submission of two papers written for LACIS approved courses (1 in Spanish or Portuguese and 1 in English)
- Completion of the LACIS Exit Survey

VI. Suggested Activities
- **Study Abroad**
  Students are encouraged, but not required, to study abroad. Living and studying in a foreign country provides a great introduction to the culture and valuable language practice. In addition, participating in a study abroad program often proves to be a valuable personal experience.

  Please list all of your previous study abroad experiences below:

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- **Honors in the LACIS Major**
  The LACIS Honors in the Major track is comprised of three essential components:
  - GPA standards (3.3 minimum overall GPA + 3.4 in the major)
  - Honors course work in the major (minimum of 18 credit hours – grade of B or better)
  - Year long honors research experience (Honors Thesis (2 semesters, 6 units) OR 2 Graduate Seminars OR a 2 semester research based alternative).