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.