



University of California, Santa Barbara  
Program Learning Outcomes

**PhD in Chicana and Chicano Studies**

***Students graduating with a PhD in Chicana and Chicano Studies should be able to:***

*Core Knowledge*

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- Demonstrate a breadth of knowledge of Chicana/o Studies core subareas: (1) history and narrativity, (2) social processes, and (3) cultural production.
- Demonstrate a depth of knowledge of at least one specialized area in Chicana/o Studies such as politics, philosophy, history, literature, religion, art, psychology, sociology, education, oral traditions, anthropology, mass media, film, environment, health, music, and other intellectual, scholarly, and artistic traditions.
- Demonstrate an informed appreciation of how race, gender, class, language, sexuality, coloniality, and nationality organize identities, complex social relations, and cultural objects.

*Research Methods*

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- Utilize methodological and theoretical tools appropriate to at least two Chicana/o Studies core subareas.
- Demonstrate proficiency in Spanish or other appropriate language to conduct scholarly work.
- Follow ethical guidelines in the handling of research subjects and the collection and dissemination of research.

*Scholarly Communication*

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- Make original research contributions to Chicana/o Studies and related disciplines.
- Demonstrate superior written and oral competency to meet the standards of the journals in Chicana/o Studies and in related fields.
- Produce sophisticated oral and written argumentations relevant to the study of Chicana/o communities.
- Communicate scholarly ideas to academic and non-academic audiences, and beyond disciplinary contexts.

*Pedagogy*

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- Conduct all aspects of instruction, including designing a high-quality course, preparing lectures, leading discussion, developing various forms of assignments, and grading.

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- Assess students effectively, including developing and using appropriate feedback measures and rubrics.

*Professionalism*

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- Participate with confidence in intellectual and professional exchanges in Chicana/o Studies and related disciplines.
- Produce competitive research and conference presentation proposals for networking and communicating with other professionals in their fields.
- Respond creatively and responsibly to feedback on their performance as scholars and teachers.
- Act responsibly and ethically in interactions with students, peers, and others.
- Contribute to the ongoing development of Chicana/o Studies.