

University of California, Santa Barbara Program Learning Outcomes

MA in Latin American and Iberian Studies

Students graduating with a MA in Latin American and Iberian Studies should be able to:

Core Knowledge

- Demonstrate broad familiarity of Latin America or Iberia from a hemispheric perspective.
- Demonstrate specialized knowledge of a geographical area within Latin American or Iberia from a particular disciplinary perspective.
- Demonstrate sufficient knowledge of Latin America or Iberia to successfully carry out independent research.

Independent Research

- Identify and critically read a range of research pertaining to Latin America or Iberia.
- Use library and online digital resources to locate relevant sources for research.
- Design and conduct research projects with theoretical and methodological rigor.
- Formulate research questions based on theory and prior research.
- Design and implement rigorous studies using appropriate methods measures.
- Present findings and interpretations in accordance with academic and professional standards.
- Use proper styles of citation.

Scholarly Communication

- Write in an advanced level and style of English consistent with that found in academic journals.
- Summarize their research and its significance for non-specialist audiences.
- Demonstrate translation of English to Spanish and Spanish to English readily understandable to native speakers with no or minimal grammatical errors.