



What can I do with a major in Latin American & Caribbean Studies?

The University of Georgia Career Center

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Description of Latin American & Caribbean Studies (LACS) Major

The LACS major aims to produce students with high levels of language competence and in-depth, substantive understanding of the societies, cultures, politics, and economies of the peoples of Latin America and the Caribbean. In a global workplace, the career options available to LACS graduates are immediate and highly visible: global industry and commerce, multi national nongovernmental organizations, government service, health programs, and K12 public education. LACS courses provide a useful introduction to other university programs and resources and an effective link with career options in business, engineering, education, social work, the media, counseling, urban planning, statistics, marketing, health, social sciences and the humanities.

Possible Job Titles of Latin American & Caribbean Studies Majors

(*Jobs secured as reported by UGA Career Center post-graduate survey)

Announcer	Film Editor	Linguist
Archaeologist	Flight Attendant	Peace Corps Volunteer
Bilingual Educator	Foreign News Correspondent	Programmer
Civil Service Worker	Foreign Service Officer	Proofreader
Consultant	Historian	Research Assistant
Copy Editor	Hotel Manager	Speech Pathologist
Customs Inspector	Interpreter / Translator	Technical Writer
Diplomat	Journalist	Theologian
Educator / Instructor	Lexicographer	Translator
FBI / CIA Agent	Librarian	Underwriter

To research careers of interest, you may want to visit these web sites:

O*NET <http://online.onetcenter.org> (Click on Find Occupations)

Georgia Career Information Center <http://www.gcic.peachnet.edu> (Accessible only on campus computers)

Occupational Outlook Handbook <http://www.bls.gov/oco> (Type in general term for career of interest)

*****Please visit the Career Center Library or your Career Consultant for more information or assistance.*****

Possible Employers Who Might Hire Latin American & Caribbean Studies Majors

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Archives	Government Agencies	Library of Congress
Bookstores	Hartford Insurance	Magazines & Newspapers
Boy Scouts of America	Historical Societies	Museums
Consulting Services	Human Service Agencies	National Archives
Consumer Affairs Office	IBHI*	Non-profit foundations
Education Departments	Insurance Companies	Political Organizations
Foreign Service	Justice Department	Price, Waterhouse, Coopers
Georgia Historical Society	Legislatures	Professional Associations

Public Interest Groups
Public Relation Firms

Publishing Companies
Research Foundations

Social Service Agencies
Travel and Tour Agencies

Strategies Associated with Latin American & Caribbean Studies Majors

- Examine the language, culture, society, geography, political systems and history of Latin America and the Caribbean
- Discuss the ethnohistory and contemporary cultures of indigenous peoples of Latin America and the Caribbean
- Speak and write with clarity and precision and be able to analyze concepts, definitions, arguments and problems
- Learn federal, state and local job application procedures.
- Be familiar with the cultural base (literature, art, politics, etc.) and traditions.
- Creative at multiple approaches when learning or teaching new things
- Develop on research skills and be able to adequately articulate questions

Top Career Center Resources for Latin American & Caribbean Studies Majors

100 Jobs in Words by Scott Meyer

Career Opportunities for Writers and Artists by Shelley Field

Careers for Culture Lovers & Other Artsy Types by Marjorie Eberts & Margaret Gisler

Great Jobs for Liberal Arts Majors by Blythe Camenson

Keys to Liberal Arts Success by Figler, Careter, Bishop, & Kravits

Liberal Arts Jobs by Burt Nadler

Opportunities in Museum Careers by Blythe Camenson

The Liberal Arts Advantage by Gregory Giangrande

Top Careers for Liberal Arts Graduates by Ferguson

UGA Campus Contacts Associated with Latin American & Caribbean Studies

Hispanic Student Association

www.uga.edu/~hsa

Language Resource Center

www.rom.uga.edu/lrc/

The Spanish Table

www.rom.uga.edu/spanish/span_table.htm

Community Based Learning Program

www.rom.uga.edu/community/index.html

Employment Resources/Contacts for Latin American & Caribbean Studies Majors

Work Abroad: Work in Latin America - <http://www.umich.edu/~icenter/overseas/work/latinamerica.html>

Electronic Network for Latin American Careers & Employment (ENLACE) - <http://www1.lanac.utexas.edu/project/enlace/>

ESL (English as a Second Language) Jobs in Latin America - http://www.eslcafe.com/search/Jobs/Latin_America/

Washington Office on Latin America - <http://www.wola.org>.

LASA Employment Bulletin Board - <http://www.pitt.edu/~lasa/employment.htm>.

Institute for International Cooperation (IICD) - <http://www.iicd-volunteer.org>.

Center for Strategic & International Studies - http://www.csis.org/about/jobs_interns/

Additional Resources/Contacts for Latin American & Caribbean Studies Majors

Modern Language Association - www.mla.org

National Humanities Alliance - www.nhalliance.org

Latin American Studies Association - <http://lasa.international.pitt.edu/>

Latin World - <http://www.latinworld.com/>

Summit of the Americas Center - <http://www.americasnet.net/>

The Conference on Latin American History - <http://www.h-net.org/~clah>

Latin American Studies Network - <http://www1.lanac.utexas.edu/la/region/news/arc/lasnet>

Caribbean Studies Press - <http://www.caribbeanstudiespress.com/>

Caribbean Studies Association - <http://sta.uwi.edu/caribbeanstudies/index.asp>