

CURRICULUM PROPOSAL

APPROVAL PAGE

Proposal Title: Change to Latin American and Border Studies minor

College: Liberal Arts

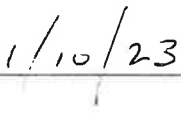
Department: Latin American and Border Studies Program

DEPARTMENT CHAIR- Josiah Heyman

I have read the enclosed proposal and approve this proposal on behalf of the department.



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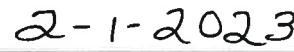
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COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE CHAIR – Selfa A. Chew - Melendez

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college curriculum committee.



Signature



Date

COLLEGE DEAN – Anadeli Bencomo

I have read the enclosed documents and approve the proposal on behalf of the college. I certify that the necessary funds will be allocated by the college in support of this proposal.



Signature



Date

UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM CHANGE MEMO

Date: Jan. 10, 2023

From: Josiah Heyman, Director, Latin American and Border Studies

Through: Selfa Chew-Melendez, Associate Dean and Chair, Liberal Arts Curriculum Committee

Through: Anadeli Bencomo, Dean of Liberal Arts

To: Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

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We propose to update the Latin American Border Studies minor requirement of LABS 3300 so students instead have the option of LABS 3300 or 3301. Currently LABS 3300 is required; there is not an option. LABS 3300 is « The Americas » (covering Latin America) and LABS 3301 is « The Border ». Both of them provide fundamental information in the minor. There is no reason LABS 3300 would be more required than LABS 3301, and requiring both courses would increase the difficulty of completing the minor. That would be contrary to the goals of UTEP. The next best solution is to allow students to choose at least one as their required course (they can take both, of course—the other as an elective). This would give students more flexibility in the minor and take better advantage of LABS 3301, which is regularly offered.

Minor in Latin American and Border Studies

Degree Plan

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses:		
LABS 3300	The Americas	3
Or		
LABS 3301	The Border	
Minor Electives:		
Select twelve hours in courses of Latin American, or Border content, with at least six being upper-division		
Spanish or Portuguese:		12
SPAN 2302	Interm Spanish Two Non-Nat Spk	3
or SPAN 2304	Spanish for Spanish Spkrs Two	
or		
PORT 2402	Intermediate Portuguese II	
Total Hours		18

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