

WORLD LANGUAGES AND CULTURES (WLC)

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WLC Courses

WLC 1101 Elementary World Language and Culture I (4 units)

Term Typically Offered: TBD

Elementary acquisition of a language other than English taught in its intercultural context(s). Intercultural contexts may include literature, film, history, music and/or contemporary politics. To be taken in numerical sequence. The Class Schedule will list subtitle selected. Repeatable up to 8 units. Course may be offered in classroom-based, online, or hybrid format. 4 lectures. Formerly WLC 101.

WLC 1102 Elementary World Language and Culture II (4 units)

Term Typically Offered: TBD

Prerequisite: WLC 101 or WLC 1101.

Elementary acquisition of a language other than English taught in its intercultural context(s). Intercultural contexts may include literature, film, history, music and/or contemporary politics. To be taken in numerical sequence. The Class Schedule will list subtitle selected. Repeatable up to 8 units. Course may be offered in classroom-based, online, or hybrid format. 4 lectures. Formerly WLC 102.

WLC 2200 Special Problems for Undergraduates (1-3 units)

Term Typically Offered: F, SP

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

Individual investigation, research, studies, or surveys of selected problems at the lower-division level. Repeatable up to 6 units. Formerly WLC 200.

WLC 2201 Intermediate World Language and Culture I (4 units)

Term Typically Offered: TBD

Prerequisite: WLC 102 or WLC 1102.

Development of presentational, interpersonal, and interpretive intermediate-level language skills within an intercultural context in a language other than English. Intercultural contexts may include literature, film, history, music, and/or contemporary politics. To be taken in numerical sequence. The Class Schedule will list subtitle selected. Repeatable up to 8 units. Course may be offered in classroom-based, online, or hybrid format. 4 lectures. Formerly WLC 201.

WLC 2202 Intermediate World Language and Culture II (4 units)

Term Typically Offered: TBD

Prerequisite: WLC 201 or WLC 2201.

Development of presentational, interpersonal, and interpretive intermediate-level language skills within an intercultural context in a language other than English indicated by subtitle. To be taken in numerical sequence. The Class Schedule will list subtitle selected. Repeatable up to 8 units. Course may be offered in classroom-based, online, or hybrid format. 4 lectures. Formerly WLC 202.

WLC 2270 Special Topics (1-3 units)

Term Typically Offered: F, SU

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

Directed group study of special topics. Conducted in the target language. The Class Schedule will list topic selected. Repeatable up to 6 units. Course may be offered in classroom-based, online, or hybrid format. 1 to 3 lectures. Formerly WLC 270.

WLC 3307 World Cultures through Film (3 units)

Term Typically Offered: F, SP

2026-28 or later: Upper-Div GE Area 3

2020-26 catalogs: Upper-Div GE Area C

Prerequisite: Junior standing; completion of GE Area 1 with grades of C- or better (GE Area A for the 2020-26 catalogs); completion of GE Area 2 with a grade of C- or better (GE Area B4 for the 2020-26 catalogs); and completion of GE Area 3B (GE Area C2 for the 2020-26 catalogs).

Survey and analysis of aesthetic, historical, political, and social themes in twentieth and twenty-first-century cultures as represented in world cinema. Historical, literary, and theoretical readings. The Class Schedule will list subtitle selected and language of instruction (English or another language). Repeatable up to 6 units. Course may be offered in classroom-based, online, or hybrid format. 3 lectures. Fulfills GE Upper-Division 3 (GE Area Upper-Division C for students on the 2020-26 catalogs). Formerly WLC 307.

WLC 3310 Humanities in World Cultures (3 units)

Term Typically Offered: F, SP, SU

2026-28 or later: Upper-Div GE Area 3

2020-26 catalogs: Upper-Div GE Area C

Prerequisite: Junior standing; completion of GE Area 1 with grades of C- or better (GE Area A for the 2020-26 catalogs); completion of GE Area 2 with a grade of C- or better (GE Area B4 for the 2020-26 catalogs); and completion of one lower-division course in GE Area 3 (GE Areas C1 or C2 for the 2020-26 catalogs).

Interdisciplinary examination of the humanities in selected cultures. Special focus on the arts, cultural and intellectual history, language, literature, and philosophy in those cultures. The Class Schedule will list subtitle selected. Repeatable up to 9 units with different subtitles. Course may be offered in classroom-based, online, or hybrid format. 3 lectures. Fulfills GE Upper-Division 3 (GE Upper-Division C for students on the 2020-26 catalogs). Formerly WLC 310.

WLC 3312 Humanities in Chicana/Latina Cultures (3 units)

Term Typically Offered: F, SP

2026-28 or later: Upper-Div GE Area 3

2020-26 catalogs: Upper-Div GE Area C

USCP

Prerequisite: Junior standing; completion of GE Area 1 with grades of C- or better (GE Area A for the 2020-26 catalogs); completion of GE Area 2 with a grade of C- or better (GE Area B4 for the 2020-26 catalogs); and completion of one course in lower-division GE Area 3 (GE Areas C1 or C2 for the 2020-26 catalogs).

Interdisciplinary examination of Chicana/Latina cultures. Special focus on the arts, literature, film, socio-historical issues, racial dynamics, and linguistic aspects of those cultures. Course may be offered in classroom-based, online, or hybrid format. 3 lectures. Fulfills GE Upper-Division 3 (GE Area Upper-Division C for students on the 2020-26 catalogs) and USCP. Formerly WLC 312.

WLC 3315 Critical Issues in Latin American Studies (3 units)

Term Typically Offered: TBD

2026-28 or later: Upper-Div GE Area 4

2020-26 catalogs: Upper-Div GE Area D

Prerequisite: Junior standing; completion of GE Area 1 with grades of C- or better (GE Area A for the 2020-26 catalogs); completion of GE Area 2 with a grade of C- or better (GE Area B4 for the 2020-26 catalogs); and completion of one lower-division course in GE Area 4 (GE Areas D1 or D2 for the 2020-26 catalogs).

An interdisciplinary approach to selected topics and issues that address how social, economic, political, and cultural forces have shaped the challenges that face contemporary Latin America. Offered during Cal Poly Global Programs in Latin America. Descriptive subtitles assigned to each course. Field trip required. The Class Schedule will list subtitle selected. Repeatable up to 9 units. 3 lectures. Fulfills GE Upper-Division 4 (GE Area Upper-Division D for students on the 2020-26 catalogs). Formerly WLC 315.

WLC 3318 Cultures of Spain: Activities (2 units)

Term Typically Offered: F, SU

CR/NC

Prerequisite: Limited to Valladolid, Spain Fall program. Corequisite: WLC 310 or WLC 3310.

Examination and experience of Spanish cultures via participant observation in Spain. An introductory exploration of the development of Spanish architecture, art, literature, music, theatre and popular culture as experienced in Valladolid, Spain. Field trip required. Credit/No Credit grading only. 2 activities. Formerly WLC 318.

WLC 3350 Literatures in World Cultures (3 units)

Term Typically Offered: TBD

2026-28 or later: Upper-Div GE Area 3

2020-26 catalogs: Upper-Div GE Area C

Prerequisite: Prerequisite: Junior standing; completion of GE Area 1 with grades of C- or better (GE Area A for the 2020-26 catalogs); completion of GE Area 2 with a grade of C- or better (GE Area B4 for the 2020-26 catalogs); and completion of GE Area 3B (GE Area C2 for the 2020-26 catalogs).

Selected works to be read by students in English translation. Critical analysis, interpretation, and comparison of works by authors from diverse world regions taught in their cultural contexts. Course may include film and other media. Discussion in English. The Class Schedule will list subtitle selected. Course may be offered in classroom-based, online, or hybrid format. Repeatable up to 6 units. 3 lectures. Fulfills GE Upper-Division 3 (GE Area Upper-Division C for students on the 2020-26 catalogs). Formerly WLC 350.

WLC 3360 Research Methods in World Languages and Cultures (3 units)

Term Typically Offered: TBD

Prerequisite: Junior standing and Spanish major. Recommended: SPAN 233 or SPAN 2233; and SPAN 301 or SPAN 3301.

Introduction to different senior project formats: scholarly essays, lesson planning, translations, creative works, community-based projects. Methods and techniques of doing research. Critical thinking and library research in languages other than English. Course may be offered in classroom-based, online, or hybrid format. 3 lectures. Formerly SPAN 360.

WLC 3370 Language, Technology and Society (3 units)

Term Typically Offered: SU

2026-28 or later: Upper-Div GE Area 4

2020-26 catalogs: Upper-Div GE Area D

Prerequisite: Junior standing; completion of GE Area 1 with grades of C- or better (GE Area A for the 2020-26 catalogs); completion of GE Area 2 with a grade of C- or better (GE Area B4 for the 2020-26 catalogs); and completion of one lower-division course in GE Area 4 (GE Areas D1 or D2 for the 2020-26 catalogs).

Study of ways in which technology impacts language use and communication. Characteristics of social media interactions in different languages (e.g., Spanish, French, German, Chinese) are explored. Special attention given to linguistic diversity and the emergence of multilingual identities on digital platforms. Course may be offered in classroom-based, online, or hybrid format. 3 lectures. Fulfills GE Upper-Division 4 (GE Area Upper-Division D for students on the 2020-26 catalogs). Formerly WLC 370.

WLC 4400 Special Problems for Advanced Undergraduates (1-3 units)

Term Typically Offered: F, SP

Prerequisite: Consent of department chair.

Individual investigation, research, studies, or surveys of selected problems at the upper-division level. Repeatable up to 6 units. Formerly WLC 400.

WLC 4424 Teaching Languages Other Than English in Secondary Schools (4 units)

Term Typically Offered: F

Prerequisite: Admission to the Single Subject Credential Program.

Research-based methods in teaching languages other than English to a diverse student body in secondary schools. Emphasis on curriculum development and inclusive instructional strategies. 4 lectures. Formerly WLC 424.

WLC 4425 World Languages Clinical Experience Seminar (2 units)

Term Typically Offered: SP

CR/NC

Prerequisite: Admission into the Single Subject World Languages credential program. Corequisite: EDUC 469 or EDUC 4469.

Principles and practices in effective teaching of world languages at the secondary school level, learning theories, curriculum content and structure, classroom issues, and the teaching profession. Repeatable up to 4 units. Credit/No Credit grading only. 2 seminars. Formerly WLC 425.

WLC 4451 Latin American Studies Internship (1-3 units)

Term Typically Offered: F, SP, SU

CR/NC

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

Supervised work experience in a private, governmental, or non-governmental organization working in Latin America or on a critical issue related to Latin America. Student engagement in all duties and responsibilities of employees and interns engaged in comparable work. Repeatable up to 9 units. Credit/No Credit grading only. Formerly WLC 451.

WLC 4460 Senior Project (3 units)

Term Typically Offered: F, SP

Prerequisite: Senior standing; WLC 360 or WLC 3360; advanced composition course in the language in which the project is written; and consent of instructor.

Development and completion of an in-depth project under faculty supervision. Capstone experience that integrates knowledge and skills acquired through WLC coursework and related co-curricular activities. Formerly WLC 460.

WLC 4470 Special Advanced Topics (3 units)

Term Typically Offered: TBD

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

Directed group study of special topics for advanced students. Conducted in the target language. The Class Schedule will list topic selected and language of instruction. Repeatable up to 6 units. Course may be offered in classroom-based, online, or hybrid format. 3 lectures. Formerly WLC 470.