

# MEXICAN AMERICAN STUDIES

## School of Education, Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences

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## General Description

Housed under the History and Ethnic Studies department, Mexican American Studies is a unique interdisciplinary course of learning that provides an introduction to the Hispanic community within the context of the American experience. This field of study explores its history, culture, society, politics, religion, economics, art, and major contributions to the development of the United States. Essentially, Mexican American studies is part of American history, nationality, and race that utilizes knowledge from the humanities, arts, and social sciences to explore issues and experiences unique to Hispanics.

## Career Options

Below is a sample of the career options available for the Mexican American studies major. A few of these require an associate in arts degree, most require a bachelor's degree, and some require a graduate-level degree: high school or college instructor, historian, researcher, research assistant, urban planner, lawyer, politician, political scientist, international trade specialist, foreign service officer, government employee, business administrator, publisher, librarian, library technician, philosopher, cultural arts director, social service worker, business manager, and consultant.

Degree/Certificate Options	Major Code
<b>Associate in Arts Degree: Transfer Preparation</b> Mexican-American Studies ( <a href="http://catalog.swccd.edu/associate-degree-certificate-programs/mexican-american-studies/mexican-american-studies-aa/">http://catalog.swccd.edu/associate-degree-certificate-programs/mexican-american-studies/mexican-american-studies-aa/</a> )	01810

Consult with a counselor to develop a Student Education Plan (SEP), which lists the courses necessary to achieve your academic goal.

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