

## Southwest Studies (SWS) Minor

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### DECLARING THE SWS MINOR:

Any advisor can declare the SWS Minor. Students can also email the SWS Advisor to declare the SWS Minor.

*Interested in the minor?* Email [lauraowen@arizona.edu](mailto:lauraowen@arizona.edu)

### SWS ADVISING:

SWS Minor Advisor: Laura Owen, email: [lauraowen@arizona.edu](mailto:lauraowen@arizona.edu)

Students may book advising appointments with the SWS Minor Advisor through the Trellis Advising website: <http://student.trellis.arizona.edu/>. A meeting with the SWS Minor Advisor is always welcomed, but never required.

### SWS MINOR REQUIREMENTS:

- Required: Minimum 18 total units
- Required: Minimum 9 units must be upper division (UD = 300-499 level)
- Required: 2.00 grade point average (GPA) across SWS Minor coursework
  - **Take one (1) Required Core Course:** SBS 300: Introduction to Southwest Studies - 3 UD units (Fall)
  - **Take two (2) of the following core courses:** - 6 units
    - GEOG 250: Environment & Society in the Southwest Borderlands
    - GEOG 408: Geography of Arizona and the Southwest
    - ANTH 418: Southwest Land and Society
    - ENGL 424: Studies in Southwest Literature
      - ❖ *Completion of foundations writing (ENGL 101 and 102 **OR** ENGL 109H **OR** ENGL 106 and 107 and 108) is required to take UD (300-499) ENGL classes*
    - HIST 446 – History of Arizona and the Southwest
  - **Take three (3) elective courses** - 9 units.
    - *See page 2 for a full list of elective course options*
    - *NOTE: Directed research, practicum, or internship credit can be used in lieu of any one of these courses*

SWS Minor courses (other than internship credit) may not be taken Pass/Fail

### DOUBLE USE OF MINOR COURSEWORK:

SWS Minor courses may not be shared with any other major/minor within the same degree.

### SWS Minor Elective Courses

Choose three (3) courses total from any the following thematic areas; all are 3-unit courses

ENGL 228 – Crossing the Border: Literature and Practice  
GEOG 252 – Global Borders, Migration and Refugees  
LAS 354 – Drugs and Violence in Mexico  
HIST 361 – The US-Mexico Border Region  
GEOG/LAS 365 – Human Rights, Immigration  
Enforcement and the US-Mexico Borderlands Today  
SPAN 449D – Topics in Border Stories  
JOUR 473 – Reporting in the US-Mexico Borderlands  
ANTH 484 – An Anthropology of Migration: Examining  
the Borderlands of the American Southwest and  
Mexican North

GWS 201 – Introduction to Chicana/Latina Studies  
GWS 307 – Chicana Feminisms: History, Theory and  
Practice  
GEOG 311A – Geography of Mexico  
GEOG 311B – Geography of Central America  
GEOG 312B – Native American Geography  
MAS 319 – Mexican American Culture  
MAS 332 – Politics of the Mexican American Community  
HIST 335: Western America Law & Order 1785-1915  
AIS 336 – History and Philosophy of the Diné People  
HIST 343 – History of the Mexican American  
HIST 345 – New American West  
ANTH 346 – Clovis to Coronado: Archaeology of the  
Southwest  
ANTH 347 – Native Peoples of the Southwest  
HIST 368 – Colonial Mexico  
HIST 369 – Mexico Since Independence  
MAS 365 – Latinos and Latinas: Emerging Contemporary  
Issues  
GEOG 408: Geography of Arizona and the Southwest  
ANTH 413 – Ethnology of the Southwest  
ANTH 423 – Anthropology of Rural Mexico  
MAS 435 – Mexican Traditional Medicine  
HIST 446 – History of Arizona and the Southwest  
ANTH 447 – Pueblo Archaeology  
ANTH 452R – Archaeology of the Southwest  
AIS 450 American Indian Women  
HIST 461 – The Spanish Conquest

HWRS 203 – Arizona Water Issues  
ECOL 206 – Environmental Biology  
GEOS 220 – Environmental History of the Southwest  
ECOL 230 – Natural History of the Southwest  
GEOG 250 – Environment & Society in the Southwest  
Borderlands

GEOG 304 – Water, Environment, and Society  
GEOS 347 – The Colorado River: Hydrology, History, and  
Human Use  
HIST 355: US Environmental History  
GEOG 363 – Climate Change: Human Dimensions  
GEOG 375 –Metropolitan Tucson  
LAS 405 – Sabores de Mexico: From Farm to Table  
GEOG 408: Geography of Arizona and the Southwest  
ANTH 418: Southwest Land and Society  
AIS 431A – Traditional Ecological Knowledge  
MAS 423 – Latino Urbanization  
AIS 441A – Natural Resource Management in Native  
Communities  
HIST 442 – Natural Resources and the Law in the Spanish  
Borderlands of North America  
ECOL 463 – Ecology and Natural History of the Sonoran  
Desert and Gulf of California  
ARC 471N – Arid Region Urbanism-Arizona/Sonora

SPAN 220 – Immigration through Film  
ENGL 278 – American Indian Literature  
GWS 312 – Latina/o Pop: Race, Gender, Sexuality and  
Popular Culture  
ARH 322 – Introduction to Prehispanic, Hispanic, and  
Chicano Art  
MUS 337 – Survey of Mexican Folk Music  
SPAN 341 -- Translation and Interpretation: Social Justice  
and Practice  
AIS 344 – Native Americans in Film  
SPAN 403 – Major Works in Mexican and Mexican  
American Literature  
SPAN 433 – Issues in Mexican and Mexican-American  
Culture  
ARH 423A & B – The Art of Mexico  
ENGL 424: Studies in Southwest Literature  
ENGL 443 – Mexican-American Literature in English  
SPAN 446 – Mexican and Mexican-American Theater  
SPAN 448 – Mexican and Mexican American Film  
SPAN 449C – Topics in Mexican and Mexican-American  
Literature and Cultural Studies  
SPAN 449D – Topics in Border Studies  
ENGL 449 – Folklore  
AIS 452A – Mixed Media Stories: Stories in Text and Film  
HIST 461 – The Spanish Conquest  
ENGL 477 – Studies of Native American Literature  
MAS 485 – Mexicana/Chicana Women's History

GEOG 303 – Field Study in Environmental Geography  
ANTH 407 – Ethnographic Field Methods  
GWS 407 – Writing Queer Autohistoria  
AIS 431A – Traditional Ecological Knowledge  
ANTH 440A – Cultural Resource Management

AIS 448 – Producing and Assessing Social Research with  
Indian Communities  
GEOG 462 – Environmental Law, Geography and Society

### Internship, Practicum, or applied course

While not required, a directed research practicum or internship credit can be used in lieu of any one of the elective courses

Students are encouraged to pursue directed research opportunities with SWS faculty and there may be some travel funding available. Students may earn credit through SBS 393, the Social and Behavioral Sciences internship credit, or through their home department. . <https://sbs.arizona.edu/internships/sbs-393>

Contact the SWS Minor Advisor: Laura Owen, email: [lauraowen@arizona.edu](mailto:lauraowen@arizona.edu) who also runs SBS 393 internship credit. <https://sbs.arizona.edu/internships/sbs-393>

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