Southwest Studies (SWS) Minor

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

SWS ADVISING:
SWS Minor Advisor: Laura Owen, email: 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.
Choose three (3) courses total from any of 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 Studies
- **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

- **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 304** – Water, Environment, and Society
- **GEOG 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

- **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 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 who also runs SBS 393 internship credit. https://sbs.arizona.edu/internships/sbs-393

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