In the last two decades, Missouri, and the Midwest, in general, has experienced a significant growth of Latinxs. Today, they make up 19% of the United States (U.S.) population. This represents a 23% increase since 2010, much higher than the national population growth. These demographic shifts bring with it the need to meet the opportunities and challenges of this change. The University of Missouri needs to prepare for the future by educating students, the future professionals of the state, to better understand and work effectively with this group.

In partnership with the Cambio Center, Mizzou and UMSL are proud to offer the Minor in Latinx Studies

These programs will forge together the experiences and collaborations of faculty members from different disciplines with different perspectives. This transdisciplinary teamwork will help to promote a dialogue between our future scholars and the growing communities of Latinxs in Missouri, the Midwest, and the country at large.

The Latinx Studies minor consists of 15 credit hours of coursework, which includes a required introductory course (3 credits) and a required capstone project (3 credits). Students will have the opportunity to choose 3 elective classes on Latinx topics for 9 credits at different levels in humanities and social sciences, which can be tailored to their academic disciplines and professional goals.

This Fall 2022 and Spring 2023, we will be offering the following On-Campus and Online courses:

**Fall 2022:** History 2002 (Deborah Cohen – Online UMSL), History 2004 (Robert Smale – Instructor of Record MU) - Introduction to Latina/Latino Studies

This course introduces the experiences and conditions of U.S. Latinx of Caribbean, Latin American, and, especially, Mexican descent. Students will examine how people from Hispanic- and Indo-America are both incorporated into American culture, history, and occupational life.

**Fall 2022 and Spring 2023:** Foreign Language 2100 (Online UMSL) - Languages and World Views - Manon Allard-Kropp

**Fall 2022 and Spring 2023:** Women’s and Gender Studies 2340 (Online & On-Campus MU) - Perspectives on Gender and Popular Culture - Evelyn Rogers

**Spring 2023:** Human Development and Family Science 3650 (Online MU) - Diversity in the Lives of Young Children and Families - Michelle Matthews

**Spring 2023:** Human Development and Family Science 4200 (Online & On-Campus MU) – Latino Families - Francisco Palermo

**Spring 2023:** Human Development and Family Science 4700 (Online & On-Campus MU) - Children and Families in Poverty - Francisco Palermo

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