Today’s marketplace demands that potential employees be cross-culturally aware and proficient in a second language. The Ibero-American Studies Certificate Program at SLU Madrid is designed for those who seek to enhance their undergraduate degree with a multidisciplinary education on the Spanish- and Portuguese-speaking world. This program offers a wide range of courses in fields such as history, political science, economics, sociology, Spanish and Latin American literature and Portuguese. The Ibero-American Certificate Program goes beyond academic study and places cultural and political issues in a contemporary context. SLU Madrid offers this experience from a unique perspective—Madrid, Spain, the social, political and economic capital of Iberia.

**WHY STUDY IBERO-AMERICAN STUDIES?**
- To gain an expertise on Latin America, the Caribbean, and the Iberian Peninsula, enhancing your major area of study
- To link together and synthesize a variety of courses (courses in a wide range of fields count toward the Certificate)
- To “have something to show” from your electives or your studies abroad (visiting students can complete the certificate while staying on track with home university requirements)
- To participate in a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to experience Ibero-America first-hand by visiting three South American countries where you will interact with local cultures, participate in university seminars, tour historical sights and volunteer within the local community
- To develop valuable interpersonal skills for working with the significant percentage of the population in the US whose cultural roots are in Spanish-speaking countries

**CAREER OPTIONS**
- Serve in a US government agency: the Peace Corps, State Department, Agency for International Development, Central Intelligence Agency, and National Security Agency recruit area studies students
- Work with an international development organization, such as the Organization of American States or the Inter-American Development Bank
- Work for a multinational corporation with branches in the Iberian Peninsula and/or Latin America
- Work with a national, state or local agency serving Spanish-speaking populations
- Work in the travel or translation industries
- Teach Spanish or Portuguese in a secondary school
- Continue your education for a master’s or doctoral degree in any number of disciplines

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS**
The Certificate requires:
- 6 courses (18 credits) in the fields of history; humanities, natural and social sciences; art history, Spanish and Latin American literature, and Portuguese
- Participation in the study excursion to Latin America offered at the end of each spring semester
- 2 semesters or 1 semester and 1-2 summer sessions at SLU Madrid

**THE SLU MADRID ADVANTAGE**
SLU Madrid was founded over 35 years ago, and is the first foreign university officially recognized by the Spanish higher education authorities. Our faculty is world-renown, and we are recognized as the premier American university of Spain. We have a wide range of volunteer and internship opportunities, which include the US Embassy, local and international NGOs and multinational corporations. Ibero-American Studies Certificate students have access to prestigious resources, such as the Museo de América and the Ibero-American Institute Library, which are within blocks of the university.

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