

**Bachelor of Arts (BA)**  
**Mexican American Studies**

The 2026-2027 list of core courses can be found in the 2026-2027 Undergraduate Catalog: [www.utrgv.edu/catalog](http://www.utrgv.edu/catalog) > See 'Bachelors Degree Program Regulations'

| Symbols Key  |          |              |                             |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |
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| Campus: B - Offered in Brownsville; E - Offered in Edinburg; O - Offered Online; T - Travel Required   |          |              |                             |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |
| Bolded Course Number*: Program Admission Requirement   |          |              |                             |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |
| Min Grade: A - Excellent; B - Good; C - Satisfactory; D - Below Average; CR - Credit; P - Passing; S - Satisfactory.   |          |              |                             |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |
| Core: 010 - Communication; 020 - Mathematics; 030 - Life and Physical Sciences; 040 - Language, Philosophy & Culture; 050 - Creative Arts; 060 - American History; 070 - Government/Political Science; 080 - Social and Behavioral Sciences; |          |              |                             |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |
| Core: 090 - Applied Communication and Literacies; Humanities; Leadership; Science Labs; Interdisciplinary; Technologies; Language Diversity & Writing  |          |              |                             |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |
| Year   | Semester | Credit Hours | Campus                      | Course Number | Course Title  | Minimum Grade | Core | Prerequisite   | Additional Notes  |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Communication   | C             | 010  | For all 010 courses: Satisfactory scores on English portion of ACT test and TSI examination or ENGL 0301. For ENGL 1302, a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 1301.  | See General Education Core for more details. Option: ENGL 1301  |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 3            | E                           | MASC 2327     | Mexican American History I  |               | 060  |  |   |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Creative Arts   |               | 050  |  | Recommended: ENGL 2314 Appreciation & Analysis of Literature  |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Mathematics   | C             | 020  | College Ready TSI status in Mathematics or MATH 0314/0332/0342.  | See General Education Core for course options. Recommended: MATH 1332 Math for Liberal Arts or MATH 1324 Mathematics for Business & Social Sciences         |  |
| 1  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | MASC 2301     | Introduction to Mexican American Studies  |               | 040  |  |   |  |
| 1  | Fall     |              | B/E/O                       | UNIV          | 1301 Learning Framework<br>1101 Academic and Career Success<br>1001/1300 Living and Working by Design |               |      |  | As required, based on a number of factors such as credit hours earned, TSI status, high school rank, major declaration, etc.                                |  |
| 1  | Fall     | <b>15</b>    | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Communication   | C             | 010  | For all 010 courses: Satisfactory scores on English portion of ACT test and TSI examination or ENGL 0301. For ENGL 1302, a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 1301.  | See General Education Core for more details. Options: ENGL 1302 or ENGL 1305. Recommended ENGL 1305 Writing for Cultural Studies                            |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 3            | B/E                         | MASC 2328     | Mexican American History II   |               | 060  |  |   |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 4            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Life and Physical Sciences  |               | 030  | May apply pending course selection   | See General Education Core for course options. 1 credit hour of lab may apply to category 090.  |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Integrative/Experiential Learning Option  |               | 090  |  | See General Education Core for course options. Recommended COMM 1315, INDS 2390, INDS 2190, SPAN 2321 or WRLS 2301. MASC/ENGL 2351 (required for MAS major) |  |
| 1  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Social and Behavioral Sciences  |               | 080  | See Recommended courses for Social Studies Teachers  | See General Education Core for course options. Recommended: ANTH 2351, PHIL 1362, ECON 1301 or ECON 2301  |  |
| 1  | Spring   | <b>16</b>    | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |
| Year   | Semester | Credit Hours | Campus                      | Course Number | Course Title  | Minimum Grade | Core | Prerequisite   | Additional Notes  |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | POLS 2305     | U.S. Federal Govt & Politics  |               | 070  |  |   |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 3            | E                           | MASC 2351     | Mexican American Literature   |               |      |  | MASC/ENGL 2351 fulfills 090 category and is a requirement for the major   |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 4            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Life and Physical Sciences  |               | 030  | May apply pending course selection   | See General Education Core for course options. 1 credit hour of lab may apply to category 090.  |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | SPAN X3XX     | Spanish language  |               |      | Students are placed into a sequence and a level based on the proficiency exam or departmental approval. If Student earns a score that earns credit beyond SPAN 2315, they may take the next or higher-level Spanish course and it will still fulfill the Spanish course requirement. Please refer student to MAS undergraduate coordinator for substitution. |   |  |
| 2  | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                       | 13XX-43XX     | Free Elective   |               |      |  |   |  |
| 2  | Fall     | <b>16</b>    | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | 13XX-43XX     | Free Elective   |               |      |  |   |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | 13XX-43XX     | Free Elective   |               |      |  |   |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 1            | B/E/O                       | Choose 1      | Integrative/Experiential Learning Option  |               | 090  |  | See General Education Core for course options. Recommended COMM 1315, INDS 2390, INDS 2190, SPAN 2321 or WRLS 2301 MASC/ENGL 2351 (required for MAS major)  |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | SPAN X3XX     | Spanish language  |               |      | Students are placed into a sequence and a level based on the proficiency exam or departmental approval. If Student earns a score that earns credit beyond SPAN 2315, they may take the next or higher-level Spanish course and it will still fulfill the Spanish course requirement. Please refer student to MAS undergraduate coordinator for substitution. |   |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | POLS 2306     | Texas Government & Politics   |               | 070  |  |   |  |
| 2  | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                       | 13XX-43XX     | Free Elective   |               |      |  |   |  |
|  |          | <b>16</b>    | <b>Semester Total Hours</b> |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |

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| 3    | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                                | SPAN X3XX     | Spanish language  |               |      | Students are placed into a sequence and a level based on the proficiency exam or departmental approval. If Student earns a score that earns credit beyond SPAN 2315, they may take the next or higher-level Spanish course and it will still fulfill the Spanish course requirement. Please refer student to MAS undergraduate coordinator for substitution. |   |  |
| 3    | Fall     | 3            | B/E                                  | MASC 3332     | Mexican American History                                    |               |      | HIST 3300.   | Please contact the Program Coordinator at mas@utrgv.edu to request a waiver of the prerequisite.  |  |
| 3    | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                                | 13XX-43XX     | MASC Prescribed Elective (Category 1)                       |               |      | May apply pending course selection   | See Degree Plan for course options or contact the Program Coordinator at mas@utrgv.edu for the updated list of courses offered every semester. Must complete 12 advanced hours of Prescribed Electives. |  |
| 3    | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                                | 13XX-43XX     | MASC Prescribed Elective (Category 1)                       |               |      | May apply pending course selection   | See Degree Plan for course options or contact the Program Coordinator at mas@utrgv.edu for the updated list of courses offered every semester. Must complete 12 advanced hours of Prescribed Electives. |  |
| 3    | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                                | 13XX-43XX     | Free Elective   |               |      |  | Can be used for course in a second major  |  |
| 3    | Fall     | 15           | <b>Semester Total Hours</b>          |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |
| 3    | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                                | 13XX-43XX     | Free Elective   |               |      |  | Can be used for course in a second major  |  |
| 3    | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                                | 13XX-43XX     | MASC Prescribed Elective (Category 2)                       |               |      | May apply pending course selection   | See Degree Plan for course options or contact the Program Coordinator at mas@utrgv.edu for the updated list of courses offered every semester. Must complete 12 advanced hours of Prescribed Electives. |  |
| 3    | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                                | 13XX-43XX     | MASC Prescribed Elective (Category 2)                       |               |      | May apply pending course selection   | See Degree Plan for course options or contact the Program Coordinator at mas@utrgv.edu for the updated list of courses offered every semester. Must complete 12 advanced hours of Prescribed Electives. |  |
| 3    | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                                | 33XX-43XX     | Advanced Free Elective                                      |               |      |  | Can be used for course in a second major  |  |
| 3    | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                                | 33XX-43XX     | Advanced Free Elective                                      |               |      |  | Can be used for course in a second major  |  |
| 3    | Spring   | 15           | <b>Semester Total Hours</b>          |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |
| 4    | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                                | 13XX-43XX     | MASC Prescribed Elective (Category 3)                       |               |      | May apply pending course selection   | See Degree Plan for course options or contact the Program Coordinator at mas@utrgv.edu for the updated list of courses offered every semester. Must complete 12 advanced hours of Prescribed Electives. |  |
| 4    | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                                | 13XX-43XX     | MASC Prescribed Elective (Category 3)                       |               |      | May apply pending course selection   | See Degree Plan for course options or contact the Program Coordinator at mas@utrgv.edu for the updated list of courses offered every semester. Must complete 12 advanced hours of Prescribed Electives. |  |
| 4    | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                                | 33XX-43XX     | Advanced Free Elective                                      |               |      |  | Can be used for course in a second major  |  |
| 4    | Fall     | 3            | B/E/O                                | 33XX-43XX     | Advanced Free Elective                                      |               |      |  | Can be used for course in a second major  |  |
| 4    | Fall     | 12           | <b>Semester Total Hours</b>          |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |
| 4    | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                                | 33XX-43XX     | Advanced Free Elective                                      |               |      |  | Can be used for course in a second major  |  |
| 4    | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                                | 33XX-43XX     | Advanced Free Elective                                      |               |      |  | See Degree Plan for course options or contact the Program Coordinator at mas@utrgv.edu for the updated list of courses offered every semester.  |  |
| 4    | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                                | 33XX-43XX     | Advanced Free Elective                                      |               |      |  | See Degree Plan for course options or contact the Program Coordinator at mas@utrgv.edu for the updated list of courses offered every semester.  |  |
| 4    | Spring   | 3            | B/E/O                                | 33XX-43XX     | Advanced Free Elective                                      |               |      |  | Can be used for course in a second major  |  |
| 4    | Spring   | 3            | B/E                                  | MASC 4350     | Research Methods in Mexican American/Chicanx/Latinx Studies |               |      | Consent of department needed.  |   |  |
| 4    | Spring   | 15           | <b>Semester Total Hours</b>          |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |
|      |          | 120          | <b>TOTAL HOURS</b>                   |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |
|      |          | (42)         | <b>Advanced minimum credit hours</b> |               |   |               |      |  |   |  |