The Latin American & Caribbean Studies Program offers a Minor that can support your Major in a health and human services field.

Are you interested in...

❖ promoting minority health equity?
❖ working with ethnically diverse families and communities?
❖ addressing health needs of immigrant populations?
❖ fostering mental health in minority populations?
❖ promoting advocacy for underserved populations?
❖ integrating multicultural history into practice?
❖ advancing healthy social policy?
❖ developing cultural competence?

If so, you might want to consider minoring in Latin American and Caribbean Studies. This minor can help prepare you for a successful career in nursing, public health, recreation, communication disorders, social work, healthcare, and other human services fields.

Will you be prepared to serve the needs of everyone in your community?

• The United States’ population is changing. According to the Pew Research Center, between 1970 and 2012, our nation’s Hispanic population experienced a six-fold increase from 9.6 million to 53 million. As of 2022 the U.S. is home to 62.5 million Hispanics, who account for 19% of our nation’s population, making Hispanics both the largest minority and the most rapidly growing minority in the United States.

• Students pursuing careers in health and human services would be well supported by a deep understanding of the nation’s second largest ethnic group, including aspects related to culture, social and economic experience, health inequities, and identity.

The 18-credit Latin American and Caribbean Studies minor will help you to gain an appreciation of the multicultural, multiethnic, multilingual society we live in and will prepare you to be effective in working across populations in health and human services careers.

If you are interested in learning more about a minor that will give you a leg up in your profession, take a look here and here.

For more information contact:
Dr. Carmen Coury
Director of Latin American and Caribbean Studies
Couryc1@southernct.edu

Because the future is now.