Quechua and Andean & Amazonian Studies at OSU
What is Quechua?

- Indigenous South American language family
- Major language family of Inca Empire
- Now 8-10 million speakers throughout Andes
- The words jerky, llama, puma, condor, poncho, quinoa, and guano all come from Quechua!
- There are no irregular verbs in Quechua!
- Add suffixes to make new words:
  - wasi → wasi-man, wasi-manta, wasi-pi
  - house → to the house, from the house, in the house
  - llama → llama-cha → llama-cha-y → llama-cha-y-wan
  - llama → little llama → my little llama → with my little llama
Study Quechua at OSU!

- OSU offers **six levels of Quechua** (5501–5506)
- There are **no prerequisites**
- Taught by a **native speaker from Bolivia**
  - The variety of Quechua you'll learn can also be understood in Ecuador and most of Peru
- Quechua 5504 and above **counts toward Andean & Amazonian Studies minor**
- Studying an indigenous language offers a **new perspective** on Latin American culture and language

Learn more here
FLAS Fellowships

- Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowships are available to Quechua students
- Year long fellowship: **up to $10,000 in tuition** and **a $5,000 living stipend**
- Must have 3.2 GPA, be US citizen/perm. res., and have completed Quechua 5501 & 5502
- If awarded, students take **one Quechua course** and **one area studies course** per semester
- Summer Fellowships also available

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"Education is our new revolution"
Street art in Quechua and Spanish, Cusco, Peru
(Photo: CusCooperativo Blog)
Andean & Amazonian Studies Minor

- Interdisciplinary look at the culture, history, politics, economics, and language of a vast region of South America spanning nine countries, encompassing climates ranging from tropical rainforests to highland glaciers, and home to a diverse population of over 70 million.
- Take **Spanish 2332: Introduction to Andean & Amazonian Studies**
- Language requirements: Quechua 5503, Spanish 1103, or Portuguese 1103/5502
- There are two options to complete the minor...
Option 1: Pachaysana, *Rehearsing Change*
study abroad program in Ecuador

- Complete minor **while studying abroad in Ecuador** in this unique performance-based study abroad program.
- Take courses focused on storytelling, theater, identity, community, and sustainability.

Option 2: OSU Main Campus Courses

- Complete **12 credit hours** in wide offering of courses in language, history, anthropology, geography, int'l studies, linguistics, and poli. sci.

Learn more about the minor and about the Pachaysana program.
Andean Music Ensemble

- Explore Andean language and culture musically by participating in OSU's Andean Music Ensemble.
- Enroll in Spanish/Music 2208.22 (1 cr., repeatable to 3 cr. for minor)
- No prerequisite and no previous music experience required
- Learn to play new and unique instruments in this hands-on class!

Learn more here

Andean Music Ensemble
(Photo: OSU)
Get involved in this Global Arts and Humanities Discovery Theme initiative!
- Working Groups
- Artist/Artisan Residencies
- Undergraduate Research Opportunities
- Events

Sign up for the listserv to stay up-to-date with events and opportunities!

Learn more here

Artifacts from the OSU Andean and Amazonian Indigenous Art and Cultural Artifact Collection
(Photos: OSU)
Get involved!

If you're interested, fill out the survey: forms.gle/cMtCL6RNhaY61rba7

Or email me with any questions: bland.97

Important links:

- Quechua language program: u.osu.edu/quechua/
- FLAS Fellowship: clas.osu.edu/FLAScompetition
- Andean and Amazonian Studies Minor: sppo.osu.edu/undergraduate/minor-programs
- Pachaysana study abroad program in Ecuador: go.osu.edu/rehearsingchange
- Andean Music Ensemble: sppo.osu.edu/undergraduate/andean-music-ensemble
- K'acha Willaykuna: Andean and Amazonian Indigenous Arts and Humanities Collaboration: globalartsandhumanities.osu.edu/cross-disciplinary-research-focus-areas/immobility/kacha-willaykuna
Thank you!  
Pachi!  
¡Gracias!  
Obrigado!

Alpacas in the Andean highlands of Argentina  
(Photo: Wikimedia Commons)