WRTG 4050 provides an introduction to the material, social, cultural, and political lives of Mexican Americans residing along the U.S.-Mexico geopolitical border. In this course, students will be introduced to writing and rhetoric from Mexican American and Chicano/a authors. We will explore and interrogate issues of identity, gender, sexuality, citizenship, and class. We will study the ways in which Mexican American and Chicano/a authors express their experiences in the United States, contribute to geopolitical histories and representations from and of the borderlands, and deepen our understanding of social histories of rhetoric.

Students strongly advised to take WRTG 2010 or equivalent prior to this course.