

## Historiography of Latin America, Modern Period

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This graduate colloquium will introduce students to the literature of modern Latin American history. Readings will include examples of the most important areas of research on the region, with an emphasis on the diversity of approaches that has characterized the historiography on post-independence Latin America in the last decades, from political history to studies of culture and economic development. Topics will include republicanism and the formation of nation states, social movements, gender, populism and new political languages and identities in the twentieth century.

Each week, one student will be assigned to introduce the reading and to prepare three or four key discussion questions for the class. These should be sent to the participants and the instructor at least one day prior to the class meeting. In addition, each student will write a 12-page historiographical essay examining the literature on a problem or question in Latin American history. The paper will be due at the final class meeting. Students can also participate in the course's blog. The final grade will be based on the final essay but participation and presentations will count for up to twenty percent of the grade.

Paper topics will be defined as the course proceeds. They should be based on the books discussed in class plus additional works on the subject.

### 1. January 17

#### Defining Latin America

Rama, Angel. *The Lettered City*. Trans. John Charles Chasteen. Durham: Duke University Press, 1996.

Moya, José, "Introduction" in Moya ed. *The Oxford Handbook of Latin American History*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2011.

### 2. January 24

#### National economies and global capitalism

Adelman, Jeremy. *Republic of Capital: Buenos Aires and the Legal Transformation of the Atlantic world*. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 1999.

Other readings:

Mallon, *The Defense of Community*; Sábato, *Agrarian Capitalism*; Coatsworth, *Los orígenes del atraso*; Coatsworth, *Growth against Development*; Coatsworth, Taylor, *Latin America and the World Economy*; Gootenberg, *Between Silver and Guano*.

3. January 31

The intellectual process of nation building

Myers, Jorge. *Orden y virtud: El discurso republicano en el régimen rosista*. Buenos Aires: Universidad Nacional de Quilmes, 1995.

Other readings:

Guerra, *Modernidad e independencias*; Rojas, *La escritura*; Palti, *La invención de una legitimidad*.

4. February 7

Slavery, rebellion

Costa, Emília Viotti da. *Crowns of Glory, Tears of Blood: The Demerara Slave Rebellion of 1823*. New York: Oxford University Press, 1994.

Other readings:

Reis, *Death is a Festival*; Scott, *Slave Emancipation in Cuba*

5. February 14

Cities, informality, rights

Chazkel, Amy. *Laws of chance: Brazil's Clandestine Lottery And The Making of Urban Public Life*. Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2011.

Other readings:

Fischer, *A Poverty of Rights*.

6. February 21

Sex, gender, and the night

Cosse, Isabella. *Pareja, sexualidad y familia en los años sesenta: una revolución discreta en Buenos Aires*. Buenos Aires: Siglo Veintiuno Editores Argentina, 2010.

Other readings:

Rago, Margareth. *Os Prazeres da Noite*.

7. February 28

Class, family, paternity

Nara Milanich, forthcoming book manuscript.

Other readings:

Milanich, *Children of Fate*; Isabella Cosse, *Pareja, sexualidad y familia*.

8. March 7

Popular culture, masculinity

Buffington, Robert. *A Sentimental Education for the Working Man: The Mexico City Penny Press, 1900-1910*. Durham N.C.: Duke University Press, 2015.

Other readings:

Archetti, *Masculinidades*; Rein, *Fútbol, Jews*.

9. March 21

Revolution and peasant politics

Katz, Friedrich. *The Life and Times of Pancho Villa*. Stanford: Stanford University Press, 1998.

Other readings:

Knight, *The Mexican Revolution*; Womack Jr, *Zapata and the Mexican Revolution*.

10. March 28

Modernization, disorder and control

Caimari, Lila. *Mientras la ciudad duerme: Pistoleros, policías y periodistas en Buenos Aires, 1920-1945*. Buenos Aires: Siglo Veintiuno Editores, 2012. (English edition in University of California Press available.)

Other readings:

Piccato, *A History of Infamy*; Ruggiero, *The Boundaries of Eros*.

11. April 4

Labor, populism, and class experience

James, Daniel. *Resistance and Integration. Peronism and the Argentine Working Class, 1946-1976*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 1990.

Other readings:

Plotkin, *Mañana es San Perón*.

12. April 11

Fascism and its aftermaths

Finchelstein, Federico. *The Ideological Origins of the Dirty War: Fascism, Populism, and Dictatorship in Twentieth Century Argentina*. Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2014.

Other readings:

Finchelstein, *Transatlantic Fascism*.

13. April 18

Drugs, science, commodities

Gootenberg, Paul. *Andean Cocaine: the Making of a Global Drug*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2008.

Other readings:

Campos, *Home Grown*.

14. April 25

## Violence as politics

Karl, Robert A. *Forgotten Peace: Reform, Violence, and the Making of Contemporary Colombia*. Oakland, California: University of California Press, 2017.

### Other readings:

Lindo-Fuentes, *Remembering a Massacre*; Vezzetti, *Pasado y presente*.

### Optional reading:

## Protest and culture

Trumper, Camilo D. *Ephemeral Histories: Public Art, Politics, and the Struggle for the Streets in Chile*. Oakland, California: University of California Press, 2016.

### Other readings:

Craib, *Cry of the Renegade*.

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