

J. Pablo Silva - Fall Semester 2018

History 202. The History of Modern Latin America

Introduction and Overview (week 1)

Friday, 31 August What is Latin America?
Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire*, pp. 1-46.

Monday, 3 September How was Latin America colonized and how did it become independent?
Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire*, pp. 49-147.

Wednesday, 5 September What are the contours of Latin America's 19th Century?
Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire*, pp. 149-233.

Friday, 7 September What are the contours of Latin America's 20th Century?
Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire*, pp. 233-316.

Section 1. Tumultuous New Nations (weeks 2-4)

Monday, 10 September How Did Latin American Independence Happen? One View
Andrews, "Spanish American Independence."

Wednesday, 12 September How Did Latin American Independence Happen? Another View
Rodriguez, "The Process of Spanish American Independence," on e-reserve.

Friday, 14 September So What was the Problem? An Example of Deep Divisions
Adelman, "The Rites of Statehood."

Week 3

Monday, 17 September How did Independence give rise to the age of Caudillos? Mexico
Map Quiz
Wasserman, 3-90.

Wednesday, 19 September How did Independence give rise to the age of Caudillos, in general?
Wright, "The Age of Caudillos," on e-reserve.

Friday, 21 September What did Argentine Liberals Think?
Facundo, 9-70.

Friday, 21 September Paper Topics are Due.
Section 2. Building Order (weeks 4-5)

Week 4

Monday, 24 September What did Argentine Liberals Think?

Facundo, 71-176.

Wednesday, 26 September Why did the turmoil matter? An Economic Perspective.
Coatsworth, "Obstacles to Economic Growth."

Friday, 28 September How did Mexican Liberals Adjust?
Reread Chasteen, 98-100, 106-7.
Mexican Liberalism Documents, e-reserves.

Week 5

Monday, 1 October How did Colombian Liberals Adjust?
Colombian Liberals vs. Conservatives, on Blackboard.

Wednesday, 3 October How did Argentine Liberals Adjust?
Argentine Federales vs. Unitarios, on Blackboard.

Friday, 5 October How did Mexico Recover?
Wasserman, pp. 93-157.

Section 3. Export Booms and Busts (weeks 6-7)

Week 6

Monday, 8 October How did Latin America Boom?
Reread Chasteen, pp. 149-211.

Wednesday, 10 October How did Latin America Boom?
Glade, on e-reserve.

Friday, 12 October How did Mexico Boom?
Wasserman, pp. 161-232.
Paper Bibliographies are due. Remember to include a title page.

Week 7

Monday, 15 October What was the Downside? I
Burns, "The Folk Speak," on e-reserve.
Reread Chasteen, "Neocolonialism."

Wednesday, 17 October What was the Downside? II
Bauer, "Landlord and Campesino," on e-reserve.

Friday, 19 October MIDTERM EXAM

Fall Break, 20 October to 28 October

Section 4. National Development 1914-47 (weeks 8-9)

Week 8

Monday, 29 October How and Why did Latin America Change Direction? Nationalism

Reread Chasteeen, "Nationalism."
Muratorio, "Images of Indians."

Wednesday, 31 October How and Why did Latin America Change Direction? Revolution
Knight, Mexican Revolution, 1-54.

Friday, 2 November How and Why did Latin America Change Direction? Urbanization &
Mobilization
Knight, Mexican Revolution, 55-103.
Source Assignment, Due in Class.

Week 9

Monday, 5 November How and Why did Latin America Change Direction? New Racial Thinking
Turda & Gillette, chapter will be on e-reserve.

Wednesday, 7 November How and Why did Latin America Change Direction? New Racial
Thinking
The Cosmic Race on e-reserve.

Friday, 9 November How and Why did Latin America Change Direction? The Great Depression
Kindleberger, on e-reserve.
Diaz-Alejandro, on e-reserve.

Week 10

Monday, 12 November Why Was the End of the Boom Such a Problem?
Barham & Coomes, on JStor.

Wednesday, 14 November Who were the Populists?
Wolfe, "Populism and Developmentalism," on e-reserve.
Knight, Mexican Revolution, 104-116.

Friday, 16 November Argument Summaries are Due by 5 PM.

Friday, 16 November What was Populism's Appeal?
Peronism documents, on blackboard.

Section 5. National Development During the Cold War 1947-1990 (weeks 11-14)

Week 11

Monday, 19 November How did the Cold War Change Things? Round 1.
Bethell & Roxborough, "Between the Second World War and the Cold War."

Wednesday, 21 November In this Context, how could Cuba go Communist?
Wright, Latin America in the era ..., pp. xi-38.

Friday, 23 November Thanksgiving Break, No Class

Week 12

Monday, 26 November What was the impact?
Wright, Latin America in the era ..., pp. 39-109.

Wednesday, 28 November What was the impact of Cuban Revolution?
Reread Chasteen, "Revolution."
Wright, Latin America in the era ..., pp. 111-147.
Introductions are Due. Remember to include a title page and your previous stages.

Friday, 30 November How did elites react?
Reread Chasteen, "Reaction."
Wright, Latin America in the era ..., pp. 149-164.

Week 13

Monday, 3 December What did the Reaction Look Like? The Southern Cone
Children of Cain, 77-141, 331-388.

Wednesday, 5 December What did the Reaction Look Like? Central America
Children of Cain, 217-272.

Friday, 7 December What about Colombia?
Children of Cain, 23-76.

Week 14

Monday, 10 December Is Nicaragua an exceptional case?
Wright, Latin America in the era ..., pp. 165-185.
Children of Cain, pp. 273-329.

Wednesday, 12 December What has Happened Since?
Reread Chasteen, "Neoliberalism."

Friday, 14 December Conclusion and Review
We will discuss preparation for the Final Exam.

Tuesday, 18 December Final Exam at 2 p.m.

Friday, 18 December Your Final Draft is due. Remember to include a title page and all the previous stages that I have looked at.

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