

J. Pablo Silva
Fall Semester 2011
History 202. The History of Modern Latin America

Introduction and Overview (week 1)

Friday, 26 August What is Latin America?

Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire*, pp. 15-57.

Monday, 29 August How was Latin America colonized and how did it become independent?

Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire*, pp. 59-147.

Wednesday, 31 August What are the contours of Latin America's 19th Century?

Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire*, pp. 149-246.

Friday, 2 September What are the contours of Latin America's 20th Century?

Map Quiz

Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire*, pp. 249-329.

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

Monday, 5 September What Happened After Independence? Brazil

Barman, "Born to Rule," on e-reserve.

Wednesday, 7 September What Happened After Independence? Colombia

Bushnell, "The Gran Colombian Experiment," on e-reserve.

Friday, 9 September What Happened in Mexico?

Wasserman, 3-90.

Week 3

Monday, 12 September What Happened in Argentina?

Rock, "Revolution and Dictatorship," on e-reserve.

Wednesday, 14 September What did Argentine Liberals Think?

Facundo, 9-103.

Friday, 16 September What did Argentine Liberals Think?

Facundo, 104-176.

Friday, 16 September Paper Topics are Due.

Section 2. Building Order (weeks 4-5)

Week 4

Monday, 19 September How did Argentine Liberals Adjust?

Argentine Federales vs. Unitarios, on Blackboard.

Wednesday, 21 September How did Colombian Liberals Adjust?

Colombian Liberals vs. Conservatives, on Blackboard.

Friday, 23 September How did Mexican Liberals Adjust?

Reread Chasteen, 98-100, 106-7.

Mexican Liberalism Documents, e-reserves.

Week 5

Monday, 26 September Why did the turmoil matter? An Economic Perspective.

Coatsworth, "Obstacles to Economic Growth."

Wednesday, 28 September How did Latin America Fit into the Big Picture?

Williamson, "The First Global Century," on e-reserve.

Friday, 30 September How did Mexico Recover?

Wasserman, pp. 93-157.

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

Week 6

Monday, 3 October How did Latin America Boom?

Reread Chasteen, pp. 149-211.

Glade, on e-reserve.

Wednesday, 5 October How did Mexico Boom?

Wasserman, pp. 161-232.

Thursday, 6 October Paper Bibliographies are due. Remember to include a title page.

Friday, 7 October What was the Downside? I

Burns, The Poverty of Progress, pp. 1-85.

Week 7

Monday, 10 October What was the Downside? II

Burns, The Poverty of Progress, pp. 86-154.

Wednesday, 12 October Why didn't the boom translate into long term economic advance?

Barham & Coomes, on JStor.

Friday, 14 October EXAM

Fall Break, 15 October to 23 October

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

Week 8

Monday, 24 October How and Why did Latin America Change Direction? Imperialism

Reread Chasteen, "Nationalism."

Smith, "Gospel of Democracy," on e-reserve.

Schultz, "Dollar Diplomacy" and "Continuing to Help," on e-reserve.

Wednesday, 26 October How and Why did Latin America Change Direction? Revolution

Mexican Revolution.

Friday, 28 October How and Why did Latin America Change Direction? Mobilization

Spalding and Source Assignment Due in Class.

Week 9

Monday, 31 October How did thinking change in Latin America? I

Stepan, Hour of Eugenics, on e-reserve.

Wednesday, 2 November How did thinking change in Latin America? II

Rodo on wikipedia & e-mail.

Da Cunha on wikipedia & e-reserves.

Friday, 4 November How did thinking change in Latin America? III

The Cosmic Race.

Week 10

Monday, 7 November What was the Impact of the Great Depression?

Kindleberger, on e-reserve.

Diaz-Alejandro, on e-reserve.

Wednesday, 9 November Who were the Populists?

Wolfe, "Populism and Developmentalism," on e-reserve.

Thursday, 10 November Argument Summaries are Due.

Friday, 11 November What were the effects of populist policies?

Maddison, on e-reserve.

Section 5. National Development 1947-1990 (weeks 11-14)

Week 11

Monday, 14 November How did the Cold War Change Things? Round 1.

Bethell & Roxborough, on JStor.

Wednesday, 16 November In this Context, how could Cuba go Communist?

Wright, Latin America in the era ..., pp. xi-38.

Friday, 18 November What was the impact?

Wright, Latin America in the era ..., pp. 39-109.

Week 12

Monday, 21 November What was the impact of Cuban Revolution?

Reread Chasteen, "Revolution."

Wright, Latin America in the era ..., pp. 111-147.

Wednesday, 23 November How did elites react?

Reread Chasteen, "Reaction."

Wright, Latin America in the era ..., pp. 149-164.

Introductions are Due. Remember to include a title page and your previous stages.

Friday, 25 November Thanksgiving Break, No Class

Week 13

Monday, 28 November What did the Reaction Look Like? The Southern Cone

Children of Cain, 77-141, 331-388.

Wednesday, 30 November What did the Reaction Look Like? Central America

Children of Cain, 217-272.

Friday, 2 December What about Colombia?

Children of Cain, 23-76.

Week 14

Monday, 5 December Is Nicaragua an exceptional case?

Wright, Latin America in the era ..., pp. 165-185.

Children of Cain, pp. 273-329.

Wednesday, 7 December What has Happened Since?

Latin America since the Cold War, on Blackboard.

Friday, 9 December Conclusion and Review

Tuesday, 13 December Final Exam. Final Draft is Due. Remember to include a title page and all the previous stages that I have looked at.