

History 202. The History of Modern Latin America

Introduction and Overview (week 1)

- Friday, 30 August **What is Latin America?**
Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire*, pp. 1-46.
- Monday, 2 September **How was Latin America colonized and how did it become independent?**
Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire*, pp. 49-147.
- Wednesday, 4 September **What are the contours of Latin America's 19th Century?**
Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire*, pp. 149-233.
- Friday, 6 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, 9 September **Why is Latin America So Different from the US? A Theory**
"So Close, So Different." on e-reserve.
- Wednesday, 11 September **How Did Latin American Politics Take Shape? One View**
Uribe, "The Birth of a Public Sphere."
- Friday, 13 September **How Did Latin American Politics Take Shape? Another View**
Adelman, "The Rites of Statehood."

Week 3

- Monday, 16 September **So What was the Problem? An Example of Deep Divisions**
Map Quiz
Lasso, "Race War and Nation."
- Wednesday, 18 September **How did these divisions play out elsewhere? Mexico**
Wasserman, 3-90.
- Friday, 20 September **What did Argentine Liberals Think?**
Facundo, 9-70.
- Friday, 20 September **Paper Topics are Due.**

Section 2. Building Order (weeks 4-5)

Week 4

- Monday, 23 September **What did Argentine Liberals Think?**
Facundo, 71-176.

Wednesday, 25 September **How did Argentine Liberals Adjust?**
Argentine Federales vs. Unitarios, on Blackboard.

Friday, 27 September **How did Colombian Liberals Adjust?**
Colombian Liberals vs. Conservatives, on Blackboard.

Week 5

Monday, 30 September **How did Mexican Liberals Adjust?**
Reread Chasteen, 98-100, 106-7.
Mexican Liberalism Documents, e-reserves.

Wednesday, 2 October **Why did the turmoil matter? An Economic Perspective.**
Coatsworth, "Obstacles to Economic Growth."

Friday, 4 October **How did Mexico Recover?**
Wasserman, pp. 93-157.

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

Week 6

Monday, 7 October **How did Latin America Boom?**
Reread Chasteen, pp. 149-211.
Glade, on e-reserve.

Wednesday, 9 October **How did Mexico Boom?**
Wasserman, pp. 161-232.

Friday, 11 October **What was the Downside? I**
Burns, *The Poverty of Progress*, pp. 1-85.

Paper Bibliographies are due. Remember to include a title page.

Week 7

Monday, 14 October **What was the Downside? II**
Burns, *The Poverty of Progress*, pp. 86-154.

Wednesday, 16 October **Why didn't the boom translate into long term economic advance?**
Barham & Coomes, on JStor.

Friday, 18 October **EXAM**

Fall Break, 18 October to 27 October

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

Week 8

Monday, 28 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, 30 October

How and Why did Latin America Change Direction? Revolution

Mexican Revolution, on e-reserve.

Friday, 1 November

How and Why did Latin America Change Direction? Mobilization

"The Urban Working Class," on blackboard.

Source Assignment Due in Class.

Week 9

Monday, 4 November

How did thinking change in Latin America? I

Stepan, *Hour of Eugenics*, on blackboard.

Wednesday, 6 November

How did thinking change in Latin America? II

Rodo on wikipedia & e-mail.

Da Cunha on wikipedia & on blackboard.

Friday, 8 November

How did thinking change in Latin America? III

The Cosmic Race on e-reserve.

Week 10

Monday, 11 November

What was the Impact of the Great Depression?

Kindleberger, on e-reserve.

Diaz-Alejandro, on e-reserve.

Wednesday, 13 November

Who were the Populists?

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

Thursday, 14 November

Argument Summaries are Due.

Friday, 15 November

What were the effects of populist policies?

Maddison, on e-reserve.

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

Week 11

Monday, 18 November

How did the Cold War Change Things? Round 1.

Bethell & Roxborough, on JStor.

Wednesday, 20 November **In this Context, how could Cuba go Communist?**
Wright, *Latin America in the era ...*, pp. xi-38.

Friday, 22 November **What was the impact?**
Wright, *Latin America in the era ...*, pp. 39-109.

Week 12

Monday, 25 November **What was the impact of Cuban Revolution?**
Reread Chasteen, "Revolution."
Wright, *Latin America in the era ...*, pp. 111-147.

Wednesday, 27 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, 29 November **Thanksgiving Break, No Class**

Week 13

Monday, 2 December **What did the Reaction Look Like? The Southern Cone**
Children of Cain, 77-141, 331-388.

Wednesday, 4 December **What did the Reaction Look Like? Central America**
Children of Cain, 217-272.

Friday, 6 November **What about Colombia?**
Children of Cain, 23-76.

Week 14

Monday, 9 December **Is Nicaragua an exceptional case?**
Wright, *Latin America in the era ...*, pp. 165-185.
Children of Cain, pp. 273-329.

Wednesday, 11 December **What has Happened Since?**
Latin America since the Cold War, on Blackboard.

Friday, 13 December **Conclusion and Review**

Tuesday, 17 December **Final Exam at 2 pm. Final Draft is Due at the same time. Remember to include a title page and all the previous stages that I have looked at.**