ARTS2750
Modern Latin America: Dependency and Development

Term Two // 2019


Course Overview

Staff Contact Details

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School Contact Information

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Course Details

Credit Points 6

Summary of the Course

Subject Area: Development Studies

This course can also be studied in the following specialisations: History; Spanish and Latin American Studies

This course explores the history and development of Latin America from the Independence period in the early nineteenth century to the present. It asks why the Latin American republics have not fully converged economically, socially and politically with developed capitalist countries. Why do so many of them continue to exhibit characteristics that we associate with the Developing World? The course is organised chronologically. You will explore development strategies including liberalism, industrialisation, socialism, neo-liberalism and the recent shift to more state-directed societies in the context of ethnic, class, gender and political divisions within Latin America and its relationships with other parts of the world including the United States, Europe and Asia.

Course Learning Outcomes

1. Explain the political disputes since the nineteenth century and relate these to economic, social and cultural changes.
2. Answer historical questions using argument and evidence
3. Analyse relevant scholarly literature
4. Conduct independent research

Teaching Strategies

Learning is essentially derived from curiosity and interest. Teaching strategies aim to 1) stimulate interest by raising major issues related to historical developments; and 2) provide information that is necessary for students to address these issues. Ultimately it is the student who interprets the difficult questions and attempts to resolve them. In the first instance the student should be critical: ``Doubt Everything''. Secondly, the student should analyse the problem. Thirdly, the student should develop a hypothesis or answer to the problem. Fourthly, the student should advance evidence to support the hypothesis, while not ignoring evidence to the contrary. By proceeding in this fashion the student will develop the analytical, research, and communicative skills (oral, aural and written) which are the bedrock of the tertiary education project and move beyond the mere expression of opinion.

In general, content provided will follow a chronological trajectory and link with the readings for the tutorials. They will provide the necessary information to understand the historical changes in Latin America over the last two centuries. In class discussions will focus on linking core readings to course content. Students will be asked to answer shared questions and to pose questions of their own.
Assessment

Detailed instructions for the three assessments will be available through ARTS2750 Moodle site.

Assessment Tasks

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Assessment Details

Assessment 1: Journal

Start date: Not Applicable

Length: 5 written journal entries (250 words each)

Details: Students will submit five journal entries of 200-250 words in which they respond to set readings. Feedback via rubric, individual comments, and in-class discussion.

Additional details:

Deadline first journal entry: 24 June, 9AM
Deadline for remaining four entries: 19 August, 9AM
See full details and instructions in Moodle site.

Submission notes: See full details and instructions in Moodle site.

Turnitin setting: This assignment is submitted through Turnitin and students can see Turnitin similarity reports.

Assessment 2: Essay

Start date: Not Applicable

Length: 2,000 words

Details: Students write a research essay of ca. 2,500 words. Feedback via rubric and written comments. This is the final assessment for attendance purposes

Additional details:

See full details and instructions in Moodle site.
**Submission notes:** See full details and instructions in Moodle site.

**Turnitin setting:** This assignment is submitted through Turnitin and students can see Turnitin similarity reports.

**Assessment 3: Test**

**Start date:** 08/08/2019 09:00 AM

**Length:** 90 to 120 minutes

**Details:** The test of 90 minutes duration will include short-answer and paragraph length questions. Students will receive a mark only. Further individual feedback available on request.

**Additional details:**

See full details and instructions in Moodle site.

**Submission notes:** See full details and instructions in Moodle site.

**Turnitin setting:** This is not a Turnitin assignment
# Attendance Requirements

Attendance of lectures and tutorials is mandatory in this course. Unexcused absence from more than 20% of lectures and tutorials may result in the award of a fail grade. In lectures and tutorials you will actively engage with core course content, enabling you to attain Course Learning Outcomes 1, 2 and 3.

# Course Schedule

[View class timetable](#)

## Timetable

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<td>Week 1: 3 June - 7 June</td>
<td>Lecture</td>
<td>Week 1 (June 6) - Introduction to the course and prologue to modern Latin America (pre-1800s): Indigenous civilisations, colonialism and the first Latin American revolution (Haiti).</td>
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**Mandatory readings:**


**Recommended readings:**


- Howard Zinn, *Columbus, the Indians and human
### Week 2: 10 June - 14 June

**Lecture**

**Week 2 (June 13): Independence, neocolonialism and the fragmentation of Latin America (1800s).**

**Discussion of topic and readings (with sharing of journal entries)**

**Mandatory readings:**


**Recommended readings:**


### Tutorial

Discussion of topic and readings (with sharing of journal entries)

**Mandatory readings:**


**Recommended readings:**


### Week 3: 17 June - 21 June

**Lecture**

**Week 3 (June 20) – New socio-economic models**
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**Week 4: 24 June - 28 June**

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<th>Lecture</th>
<th>Week 4 (June 27) – Socialist revolutions (continuation): Armed uprisings in Nicaragua, El Salvador and Guatemala, and a popular-electoral revolution in Chile (1970s-1990s)</th>
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Recommended readings:


Week 5: 1 July - 5 July

Lecture

Week 5 (July 4) - Civic-military dictatorships and state terrorism (1970s-1980s)

Tutorial

Discussion of topic and readings (with sharing of journal entries)

Mandatory readings:


Recommended readings:
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<th>Week 6: 8 July - 12 July</th>
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<td>Week 7: 15 July - 19 July</td>
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<td>Week 7 (July 18) - Neoliberalism: The ‘lost decade’ of the 1980s and its legacy in Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Peru, Colombia and others.</td>
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<td>Week 8: 22 July - 26 July</td>
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<td>Week 8 (July 25) - The “Pink Tide” and beyond: Post-neoliberal governments and the conservative restoration in Venezuela, Bolivia, Ecuador, Argentina, Uruguay, Brazil and others (2000s-present).</td>
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Mandatory readings:


Recommended readings:


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**Week 9: 29 July - 2 August**

**Lecture**

**Week 9 (August 1):**

**Part 1 - Non-state contemporary actors:**
Indigenous, women, migrant, student and environmental movements (1990s-present).

**Part 2 - Modern Latin American culture and identity:**
The social impact of art, literature, cinema and music.

**Tutorial**

**Discussion of topic and readings (with sharing of journal entries)**

**Mandatory readings:**


**Recommended readings:**


Eric Benson, *'This is not a film. This is the healing of my soul'* , New York Times Magazine, Mar. 16, 2014, pp. 24-27. UNSW Library link: [https://bit.ly/2JDR1EH](https://bit.ly/2JDR1EH)


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Resources

Prescribed Resources

ARTS2750 Course Reader/StudyKit (sold in UNSW Bookstore).

Recommended Resources

Course Evaluation and Development

Actions have been taken in response to evaluation feedback. The main actions are:

- Content of lectures has been streamlined to focus on more central topics (national histories of specific countries will be emphasised further).

- More group work during lectures and tutorials have been added to make students feel a stronger link with a learning community.

- More time and material given to prepare for in-class written test.

- Course readings have been sent to UNSW Bookshop to be sold as Study Kit (hard copy).

- More Latin American indigenous content has been added to lectures.
Submission of Assessment Tasks

Turnitin Submission

If you encounter a problem when attempting to submit your assignment through Turnitin, please telephone External Support on 9385 3331 or email them on externalteltsupport@unsw.edu.au. Support hours are 8:00am – 10:00pm on weekdays and 9:00am – 5:00pm on weekends (365 days a year). If you are unable to submit your assignment due to a fault with Turnitin you may apply for an extension, but you must retain your ticket number from External Support (along with any other relevant documents) to include as evidence to support your extension application. If you email External Support you will automatically receive a ticket number, but if you telephone you will need to specifically ask for one. Turnitin also provides updates on their system status on Twitter.

Generally, assessment tasks must be submitted electronically via either Turnitin or a Moodle assignment. In instances where this is not possible, it will be stated on your course’s Moodle site with alternative submission details.

For information on how to submit assignments online via Moodle: https://student.unsw.edu.au/how-submit-assignment-moodle
Academic Honesty and Plagiarism

Plagiarism is using the words or ideas of others and presenting them as your own. It can take many forms, from deliberate cheating to accidentally copying from a source without acknowledgement.

UNSW groups plagiarism into the following categories:

Copying: using the same or very similar words to the original text or idea without acknowledging the source or using quotation marks. This also applies to images, art and design projects, as well as presentations where someone presents another’s ideas or words without credit.

Inappropriate paraphrasing: Changing a few words and phrases while mostly retaining the original structure and/or progression of ideas of the original, and information without acknowledgement. This also applies in presentations where someone paraphrases another’s ideas or words without credit and to piecing together quotes and paraphrases into a new whole, without appropriate referencing.

Collusion: working with others but passing off the work as a person’s individual work. Collusion also includes providing your work to another student before the due date, or for the purpose of them plagiarising at any time, paying another person to perform an academic task, stealing or acquiring another person’s academic work and copying it, offering to complete another person’s work or seeking payment for completing academic work.

Inappropriate citation: Citing sources which have not been read, without acknowledging the "secondary" source from which knowledge of them has been obtained.

Duplication ("self-plagiarism"): submitting your own work, in whole or in part, where it has previously been prepared or submitted for another assessment or course at UNSW or another university.

Correct referencing practices:

- Paraphrasing, summarising, essay writing and time management
- Appropriate use of and attribution for a range of materials including text, images, formulae and concepts.

Individual assistance is available on request from The Learning Centre (http://www.lc.unsw.edu.au/). Students are also reminded that careful time management is an important part of study and one of the identified causes of plagiarism is poor time management. Students should allow sufficient time for research, drafting and proper referencing of sources in preparing all assessment items.

UNSW Library also has the ELISE tool available to assist you with your study at UNSW. ELISE is designed to introduce new students to studying at UNSW but it can also be a great refresher during your study.

Completing the ELISE tutorial and quiz will enable you to:

- analyse topics, plan responses and organise research for academic writing and other assessment tasks
- effectively and efficiently find appropriate information sources and evaluate relevance to your needs
- use and manage information effectively to accomplish a specific purpose
- better manage your time
• understand your rights and responsibilities as a student at UNSW
• be aware of plagiarism, copyright, UNSW Student Code of Conduct and Acceptable Use of UNSW ICT Resources Policy
• be aware of the standards of behaviour expected of everyone in the UNSW community
• locate services and information about UNSW and UNSW Library

Some of these areas will be familiar to you, others will be new. Gaining a solid understanding of all the related aspects of ELISE will help you make the most of your studies at UNSW.

http://subjectguides.library.unsw.edu.au/elise/aboutelise
Academic Information

For essential student information relating to:

- requests for extension;
- late submissions guidelines;
- review of marks;
- UNSW Health and Safety policies;
- examination procedures;
- special consideration in the event of illness or misadventure;
- student equity and disability;
- and other essential academic information, see

https://www.arts.unsw.edu.au/current-students/academic-information/protocols-guidelines/

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