PSC 430.01: Inter-American Relations

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INTER-AMERICAN RELATIONS

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Spring 1995
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16 February 1995 is last day to drop or change grading option

Required texts available for purchase in UC Bookstore:


3. Lars Schoultz, William Smith, and Augusto Varas, eds., *Security, Democracy, and Development in U.S.-Latin American Relations*

This is a 400 level advanced course. It is not a lecture course in which students come to class, take notes, and report back objectively correct answers on exams. I expect students to read all of the assigned readings carefully, analytically, and on time - so as to be prepared to critically discuss the material. While no prior background in Theories of International Relations, U.S. Foreign Policy, or Latin American Politics is required, those students who have no such background might want to do some additional background reading and/or watch the ten part video series, *Americas*, available at IMS.

The course will be run as a seminar. Students will be required to serve as class facilitators on at least two occasions. Facilitators will be responsible to hand out, one class prior to "their" class a set of questions and/or issues for discussion that will serve as the focus of class discussion. In addition, facilitators will be required to bring to class a typed and edited statement in which you not only answer your own questions but offer rational for why you selected the particular set of questions. Students are encouraged to do additional readings and to weave them into their facilitations and written statements. I will be available for consultations regarding preparation for class facilitations.

Students will be required to come to class having read all the material carefully, and prepared to respond to each of the questions and issues. Facilitators, or myself, will have the option of asking students to answer any of the prepared questions.
There will be no written exams, or papers in this class. The grade will be based on regular participation (1/3 of total grade), class facilitations (1/3) and written statements (1/3).

JANUARY 17: INTRODUCTION TO LATIN AMERICA I


JANUARY 19: INTRODUCTION TO LATIN AMERICA II


JANUARY 24: CENTRAL AMERICA I
La Feber, pp. 5-85

JANUARY 26: CENTRAL AMERICA II
La Feber, pp. 87-145

JANUARY 31: CENTRAL AMERICA III
La Feber, pp. 147-196

FEBRUARY 2: CENTRAL AMERICA IV
La Feber, pp. 197-225

FEBRUARY 7: CENTRAL AMERICA V
La Feber, pp. 225-270

FEBRUARY 9: CENTRAL AMERICA VI
La Feber, pp. 271-323

FEBRUARY 14: CENTRAL AMERICA VII
La Feber, pp. 325-368
FEBRUARY 16: LATIN AMERICA IN A NEW WORLD I
Lowenthal and Treverton, pp. 1-52

FEBRUARY 21: LATIN AMERICA IN A NEW WORLD II
Lowenthal and Treverton, pp. 53-78

FEBRUARY 23: LATIN AMERICA IN A NEW WORLD III
Lowenthal and Treverton, pp. 81-125

FEBRUARY 28: LATIN AMERICA IN A NEW WORLD IV
Lowenthal and Treverton, pp. 126-163

MARCH 7: LATIN AMERICA IN A NEW WORLD V
Lowenthal and Treverton, pp. 167-216

MARCH 9: LATIN AMERICA IN A NEW WORLD VI
Lowenthal and Treverton, pp. 217-246

MARCH 21: SECURITY, DEMOCRACY, AND DEVELOPMENT I
Schoultz, Smith, and Varas, pp. vii-56

MARCH 23: SECURITY, DEMOCRACY, AND DEVELOPMENT II
Schoultz, Smith, and Varas, pp. 59-113

MARCH 28: SECURITY, DEMOCRACY, AND DEVELOPMENT III
Schoultz, Smith, and Varas, pp. 115-150

MARCH 30: SECURITY, DEMOCRACY, AND DEVELOPMENT IV
Schoultz, Smith, and Varas, pp. 153-197

APRIL 4: SECURITY, DEMOCRACY, AND DEVELOPMENT V
Schoultz, Smith, and Varas, pp. 199-240

APRIL 6: SECURITY, DEMOCRACY, AND DEVELOPMENT VI
Schoultz, Smith, and Varas, pp. 243-276

The details of the following class dates will be decided upon by the professor, in consultation with students. We might choose to explore in more depth topics already raised, and/or entirely new avenues of inquiry.

APRIL 11:
APRIL 13:
APRIL 18:
APRIL 20:
APRIL 25:
APRIL 27:
MAY 2:
MAY 4: Course evaluations