

WORLD CIVILIZATION: LATIN AMERICA - 3400:391:801

FALL 2006 KOLBE 213

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REQUIRED READINGS (ALL PAPERBACKS)

1. SKIDMORE, THOMAS AND PETER SMITH. MODERN LATIN AMERICA (6TH EDITION), 2005.

2. HOPKINS, JACK W., ED. LATIN AMERICA: PERSPECTIVES ON A REGION, 2ND ED., 1998.

3. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE: The goals and objectives of this course are the following: give students an historical understanding of the development of Latin America; familiarize students with the diversity of Latin American cultures and nations, and analyze historical trends in Latin American development. **YOU MUST BE REGISTERED FOR THIS COURSE.** Students whose names do not appear on the official class list by 22 Sept. 2006, WILL NOT BE PERMITTED to attend class, take exams, or receive credit for the course!

4. EXAMINATIONS: Everyone will take a midterm and a final examination. The final covers material after the midterm. A list of terms and possible essay themes will be given to you to concentrate your studying on for each exam. **Your essay examinations will consist of SHORT ANSWER ID's (WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY, AND STATE THE SIGNIFICANCE OF), and a choice of other MAIN ESSAY QUESTIONS.** Your MID-TERM is scheduled for 17 OCT. 2006 during the class period. Your FINAL is scheduled 12 DEC. 2006, FROM 6:05-7:45 PM DURING YOUR SCHEDULED CLASS TIME for Finals Week.

5. GRADES AND GRADING SCALE:

MIDTERM = 25 %.

GRADING SCALE:

PAPER = 30 %.

93 - 100 = A 72 - 70 = C-

FINAL = 35 %

92 - 90 = A- 69 - 68 = D+

88 - 89 = B+ 67 - 63 = D

83 - 87 = B 62 - 60 = D-

CLASS PARTICIPATION = 10 %.

80 - 82 = B- 59 and below F

78 - 79 = C+

73 - 77 = C

6. CLASS PARTICIPATION / ATTENDANCE POLICY: Your 10% class participation grade is based upon your contributions in class, (Discussion/Questions), Computer Homework assignments and CLASS ATTENDANCE. After 3 UNEXCUSED ABSENCES, Your Grade WILL BE LOWERED BY ONE LETTER GRADE! If you are going to miss class, notify the History Department secretary, the student assistant at 972-7006, OR leave a message for me at my home number, 666-5066. YOU ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND CLASS !

7. **MAKE - UP POLICY:** A STUDENT SHOULD TAKE THE EXAM WHEN SCHEDULED ! THERE ARE ONLY 2 EXAMS FOR THIS COURSE, YOU NEED TO BE THERE WHEN THEY ARE GIVEN. ARRANGEMENTS TO THE CONTRARY NEED TO BE SCHEDULED BEFORE THE EXAM IS GIVEN, AND PERMISSION FOR RESCHEDULING IS THE OPTION OF THE INSTRUCTOR. IF YOU MISS AN EXAM WITHOUT MY APPROVAL AND NOTIFICATION, IT IS A ZERO.

8. **WITHDRAWAL POLICY:** A student may withdraw until the 10th week (NLT 3 Nov) of the semester without the permission of the instructor. After that time, permission of the instructor is required. The last week to withdraw is the week of 13-17 November 2006.

9. **OFFICE HOURS:** Arranged by appointment. If you have any questions do not hesitate to call me at home: 330-666-5066. For those who need to see me personally, I will reserve the time of 5-6:00 pm. Wednesday late afternoon where I work at Bierce Library for a meeting. You will need to schedule this with me.

10. **CLASS PAPER:** Everyone will do at most a FOUR PAGE PAPER, due the 12TH WEEK OF CLASS (14 NOV 2006) from one of the following general topical areas, and you need 3-5 SOURCES. PAPERS LONGER THAN FOUR PAGES WILL NOT BE GRADED AND WILL BE RETURNED. POINTS WILL BE TAKEN OFF FOR FAILURE TO FOLLOW DIRECTIONS!

- a. THE IMPACT OF SPAIN ON THE FIRST AMERICANS.
- b. THE ROLE OF RELIGION IN SPANISH AMERICA.
- c. THE CAUSES OF INDEPENDENCE IN SPANISH AMERICA.
- d. WOMEN IN LATIN AMERICA.
- e. THE MILITARY IN LATIN AMERICA, DEVELOPMENT OR UNDERDEVELOPMENT ?
- f. THE CIVILIZATIONS/PEOPLES OF MESOAMERICA.
- g. DEMOCRACY, SOCIALISM OR MARXISM IN THE AMERICAS.
- h. SLAVERY IN THE NEW WORLD.

PAPERS NOT TURNED IN ON TIME WILL BE LOWERED ONE LETTER GRADE FOR EACH CLASS PERIOD THEY ARE LATE!

11. **ORDER OF LECTURES AND READING ASSIGNMENTS:**

a. **WEEK 1 :** HISTORICAL BACKGROUND: Prologue: Why Latin America p. 1-12 Modern Latin America.

- Pre-Columbian Cultures, Chapter 2, Latin American Perspectives. (MAYANS & AZTECS).

b. **WEEK 2** : PRE-COLUMBIAN CONT ... + THE SPANISH CONQUEST: Discovery and Conquest, Chapter 4, Latin American Perspectives. MAYAN VIDEO.

- Chapter 1 p. 13 - 20 Modern Latin America.

c. **WEEK 3** : THE AZTECS & SPANISH CONQUEST CONT...

d. **WEEK 4** : The Colonial Period: Colonial Latin America, Chapter 3 (p. 40-50), and CHAPTER 5 Latin American Perspectives.

- The Colonial Foundations, Chapter 1, Modern Latin America.

e. **WEEK 5** : INDEPENDENCE AND NATIONBUILDING: Chapter 6, Latin American Perspectives.

- Chapter 1; Modern Latin America, p.26-40.

f. **WEEK 6** : RELIGION : Chapter 7, Latin American Perspectives.

g. **WEEK 7** : WOMEN IN LATIN AMERICA : (TOPIC FOR PAPER IS DUE!)

- Chapter 9, Latin American Perspectives.

- Chapter 2, Modern Latin America, p. 62-67.

h. **WEEK 8: MIDTERM EXAMINATION !!!!!!!!!!!!! (17 OCT 2006).**

i. **WEEK 9: LATIN AMERICAN ECONOMICS:** Chapter 14, Latin American Perspectives.

- Chapter 2, Modern Latin America.

j. **WEEK 10: BRAZIL:** Chapter 5, p. 139-180, Modern Latin America.

k. **WEEK 11: BRAZIL CONT ... + BRAZIL VIDEO.**

l. **WEEK 12: MEXICO:** Chapter 7, p. 254-295, Modern Latin America.
*** PAPER IS DUE !!!! 14 NOV 2006.

m. **WEEK 13: MEXICO CONT ... + MEXICO VIDEO.**

n. **WEEK 14: CUBA:** Late Colony, First Socialist State, Chapter 9, Modern Latin America, p. 296-327.

o. **WEEK 15: LATIN AMERICA, THE UNITED STATES, AND THE WORLD,** Chapter 11, Modern Latin America, p. 396-339, and the Epilogue.

- Latin America and the World, Chapter 17 & 20, Latin American Perspectives.

12. POLICY ON ACADEMIC DISHONESTY.

a. Academic dishonesty has no place in an institution of advanced learning.

b. Academic dishonesty includes:

1. Plagiarism. (To Take Other's Ideas, Writings, and Try To Pass Them Off As Your Own !).
2. Dishonest conduct during an exam. (CHEATING).
3. Cooperation with a person involved in academic misconduct.

c. Any conduct of Academic Dishonesty by a student in my class will not be tolerated, and will be processed to the fullest extent possible.

13. CLASSROOM MANNERS:

When you come to class, please turn your cell phones OFF! Nothing is more irritating than to be giving a lecture and someone's phone goes off - TURN IT OFF IN CLASS! The world will not end and life will continue on the planet Earth as it has for millions of years. Also, please take your hats/ballcaps off when you come inside a classroom. You were not born in a barn, and it is rude to wear a hat inside, so take it off, please.