

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. 1-46.

Monday, 29 August How was Latin America colonized and how did it become independent?
Chasteen, Born in Blood and Fire, pp. 49-147.

Wednesday, 31 August What are the contours of Latin America's 19th Century?
Chasteen, Born in Blood and Fire, pp. 149-233.

Friday, 2 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, 5 September How Did Latin American Politics Take Shape? One View
Uribe, "The Birth of a Public Sphere."

Wednesday, 7 September How Did Latin American Politics Take Shape? Another View
Adelman, "The Rites of Statehood."

Friday, 9 September So What was the Problem? An Example of Deep Divisions
Lasso, "Race War and Nation."

Week 3

Monday, 12 September How did these divisions play out elsewhere?
Mexico Map Quiz

Wednesday, 14 September What did Argentine Liberals Think?
Facundo, 71-176.

Friday, 16 September Paper Topics are Due.

Section 2. Building Order (weeks 4-5)

Week 4

Monday, 19 September How did Mexican Liberals Adjust?
Reread Chasteen, 98-100, 106-7.

Mexican Liberalism Documents, e-reserves.

Wednesday, 21 September How did Colombian Liberals Adjust?
Colombian Liberals vs. Conservatives, on Blackboard.

Friday, 23 September How did Argentine Liberals Adjust?
Argentine Federales vs. Unitarios, on Blackboard.

Week 5

Monday, 26 September Why did the turmoil matter? An Economic Perspective.
Coatsworth, "Obstacles to Economic Growth."

Wednesday, 28 September How did Mexico Recover?
Wasserman, pp. 93-157.

Friday, 30 September How did Latin America Boom?
Reread Chasteen, pp. 149-211.

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

Week 6

Monday, 3 October How did Latin America Boom?
Glade, on e-reserve.

Wednesday, 5 October How did Mexico Boom?
Wasserman, pp. 161-232.

Friday, 7 October What was the Downside? I
Burns, The Poverty of Progress, pp. 1-50.
Paper Bibliographies are due. Remember to include a title page.

Week 7

Monday, 10 October What was the Downside? II
Burns, The Poverty of Progress, pp. 51-154.

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

Wednesday, 12 October

Friday, 28 October

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?
Reread Chasteen, "Neoliberalism."

Friday, 9 December Conclusion and Review
We will discuss preparation for the Final Exam.

Tuesday, 13 December Final Exam at 9 a.m.

Friday, 16 December Your Final Draft is due.
Remember to include a title page and all the previous stages that I have looked at.