

Fall 2017

HIST 562R-1: Themes&Appr.Lat.Am.History
(cross-listed with ANT 585-6 & HISP 720-1)

Topic: New Paradigms & Old Trends

| Instructor | Day(s) | Time(s) | Maximum Enrollment |
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| Yannakakis & Stolley | W | 1:00 – 4:00 pm | 12 |

Semester Description:

This course takes on the 500-year sweep of Latin American History with an eye to regional themes and national/local case studies. Students engage with different geographic and chronological frameworks for understanding and teaching Latin American history, and with canonical and cutting-edge texts that have shaped the field. At the same time, students are asked to challenge dominant paradigms by asking “is Latin America a region?”; “when does the colonial era end?”; “where are the boundaries among History, Literature, and Anthropology”? While we require this course (which is repeatable) of all Ph.D. candidates in Latin American History in their first and third semesters, we encourage students across a range of disciplines and geographic specializations to register. Analytical concerns generally revolve around the relationship among theory, method, and historical sources, and how scholars’ shifting intellectual and political agendas have led them to integrate different disciplinary approaches into the study of history.

Required Textbooks, Articles, and Resources:

1. Barbara Mundy, *The Death of Aztec Tenochtitlan, the Life of Mexico City*, ISBN: 978-0292766563.
2. Jane E. Mangan, *Transatlantic Obligations: Creating the Bonds of Family in Conquest-Era Peru and Spain*, ISBN: 978-0199768585.
3. Marcy Norton, *Sacred Gifts, Profane Pleasures: A History of Tobacco and Chocolate in the Atlantic World*, ISBN: 978-0801476327.
4. Bianca Premo, *The Enlightenment on Trial: Ordinary Litigants and Colonialism in the Spanish Empire*, ISBN: 978-0190638733.
5. Julia Gaffield, *Haitian Connections in the Atlantic World: Recognition After Revolution*, ISBN: 978-1469625621.
6. Fabricio Prado, *Edge of Empire: Atlantic Networks and Revolution in Bourbon Río de la Plata*, ISBN: 978-052028516.

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7. Celso Thomas Castilho, *Slave Emancipation and Transformations in Brazilian Political Citizenship*, ISBN: 978-0822964124.
8. Steven Palmer, *From Popular Medicine to Medical Populism: Doctors, Healers, and Public Power in Costa Rica, 1800-1940*, ISBN: 978-0822330479.
9. Alejandra Bronfman, *Isles of Noise: Sonic Media in the Caribbean*, ISBN: 978-1469628691.
10. Marisol de la Cadena, *Earth Beings: Ecologies of Practice Across Andean Worlds*, ISBN: 978-0822359630.

Recommended Textbooks, Articles, and Resources:

1. John Charles Chasteen, *Born in Blood and Fire: A Concise History of Latin America*, 4th edition, ISBN: 978-0393283051.
2. Thomas Skidmore, *Modern Latin America*, 7th edition, ISBN: 978-0195375701.
3. Alexander Dawson, *Latin America Since Independence: A History with Primary Sources*, ISBN: 978-0415854375.
4. Burkholder and Johnson, *Colonial Latin America* (Oxford University Press, 9th edition), ISBN: 978-0199340484.
5. Restall and Lane, *Latin America in Colonial Times*, ISBN: 978-0521132602.

Grading:

Two class presentations, class participation, weekly response papers, and a final paper.