

# Hist. 158: History of Latin America

History Department  
Linn-Benton Community College  
**COURSE SYLLABUS**

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## I. Welcome!

This course will cover a wide variety of topics in Latin American History. Starting with the 15<sup>th</sup> century we will explore the political, social, and technological changes that brought Europe into contact with the New World. The course will cover the impact of exploration and colonization; which resulted in the emergence of new and complex societies. Later we will explore the rise of independence movements during the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Lastly we will explore Latin America in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century.

## II. Course Objectives

By the end of this course students should be able to demonstrate an expanded knowledge of Latin American History. Students will be encouraged to think critically about complex historical issues. This course will allow students to develop their writing and public speaking skills.

## III. Course Credits

3 Credits

## IV. Required Text(s)

Charlip, Julie A. Burns, E. Bradford. Latin America An Interpretive History. Prentice Hall.

## V. Online Resources

Boston College History Department- "Tips for Writing History Papers"

<http://www.bc.edu/content/bc/schools/cas/history/resources/tips.html#top>

Check it out! Great tips for academic writing.

Modern Language Association (MLA) Style Documentation & Bibliography

<http://www.mla.org/style>

Official Web Page

Purdue Online Writing Lab

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/>

Excellent reference for MLA and APA

The Smithsonian Institute For Researchers

<http://www.si.edu/Researchers>

## VI. Basis for Final Grade

Assessment	Percent of Final Grade
Attendance	10%
Bi-Weekly Quizzes	30%
Presentation	20%
Essay	30%
Final Exam	10%

## VII. Course Policies: Grades

**Late Work Policy:** Offer specifics about your policy on late work.

There are no make-ups for quizzes. Essays turned in late will be assessed a penalty: a half-letter grade if it is one day late, or a full-letter grade for 2 days late. Essays will not be accepted if overdue by more than 2 days.

## VIII. Disability Access: You should meet with your instructor during the first week of class if

- You have a documented disability and need accommodations,
- Your instructor needs to know medical information about you, or
- You need special arrangements in the event of an emergency.

If you believe you may need accommodation services please contact ODS, 917-4789. If you have documented your disability, remember that you must make your request for accommodations through the ODS Online Services web page every term in order to receive accommodations.

**Attendance Policy:** Attendance is mandatory and will affect one's overall grade. Attendance will be taken at the beginning of each class or by a small in-class assignment each day.

### **Professionalism Policy:**

In order to create a productive learning environment: mobile phones, iPods, *etc.* **must be silenced** during all classroom and lab lectures. Please arrive on time for all class meetings.

Students who habitually disturb the class by talking, arriving late, *etc.*, and have been warned may suffer a reduction in their final class grade.

**Academic Conduct Policy:**

Academic dishonesty in any form will not be tolerated. If you are uncertain as to what constitutes academic dishonesty, please consult Linn-Benton's student handbook for further details. Violations of these rules will result in disciplinary action in accordance with the university's procedures and a failure of the assignment.

**Writing Center:**

The Writing Center (WC) is a free student resource for LBCC located on campus inside the Learning Center (WH-200). At the Writing Center, a trained writing consultant will work individually with you on anything you're writing (in or out of class), at any point in the writing process from brainstorming to editing. Appointments are recommended, at least one meeting required for final paper. For more information or to make an appointment, visit the WC website at <http://www.linnbenton.edu/learning-center/writing-center>, call (541) 917-4708, or e-mail us at [WritingCenter@linnbenton.edu](mailto:WritingCenter@linnbenton.edu)

\*Final Paper will have require at least 2 trips per student to the Writing Center.

TENTITIVE LIST LECTURES AND ASSIGNMENTS- Readings Must be completed by Wednesday of each week.

Week 1: Read Chapter 1 of Textbook

M 1/07 –Introduction to course. Map of Latin America. Geography.

W 1/09- Spanish and European History

F 1/11- Pre-Columbian Societies

Week 2: Read Chapter 2 of Textbook

M 1/14-Contact and Conquest

W 1/16- Colonial Life Part I

**\*\*F 1/18- QUIZ #1 –MAP countries and Capitals**

-Colonial Life Continued

Week 3: Read Chapter 3 of Textbook

**M 1/21- MLK JR DAY NO CLASS!**

W 1/23-World Revolutions

F 1/25- Independence in Latin America Part 1

Week 4: Read Chapter 4 and 5

M 1/28- Independence Part II

W 1/30- Nation Building

**\*\*\*F 2/1- Quiz #2 Colonial Life and Independence**

Week 5: Read Chapter 6 and 7 of Textbook

M 2/4- Positivism and Social Darwinism

W 2/6- USA and Latin America

F 2/8- New Nations

Week 6: Read Chapter 8 of Textbook

**M 2/11- \*\*\*\* Proposal and Outline Due:**

World War I and II

W 2/13- Peron- Argentina

**\*\*F 2/15- QUIZ #3 – New Nations- 19<sup>th</sup> Century  
Cold War and Containment**

Week 7: Read Chapter 9

**M 2/18- NO CLASS PRESIDENTS DAY**

W 2/20- Presentations. Cuba

F 2/22- Presentations. Socialism in Chile

Week 8: Read Chapter 10

M 2/25- Dictatorships and Wars

W 2/27- Presentations. Dictatorships

F 3/1- Presentations: Quiz # 4- 20<sup>th</sup> Century

Week 9: Read Chapter 11 of Textbook

M 3/4 Presentations – Argentina 1980s-today

W 3/6 Presentations- Migration

F 3/8 Presentations- Urbanism, Environment- Brazil

Week 10:

M 3/11- \*\*\* **FINAL PAPERS DUE**

W 3/13- Globalization

F 3/15 –Conclusions

FINAL EXAM TBA