

# The History of Latin America, 1500 to the present day

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This paper offers an overview of the most relevant issues shaping the history of Latin America from the time before European arrival in the fifteenth century to the present. The paper studies the complex interface between the region and the global processes that have outlined its history. Through the study of cases we aim to understand the experience of individuals, groups, and nations as they dealt with internally grown affairs and the global scene. The programme of lectures presents a broad range of themes that include the multifaceted character of colonialism, the crucial role of religion, the pervasiveness of ideas and practices about race and racism, diverse experiences of reform, revolution, and dictatorship, the Cold War, and the present challenges the region faces at a juncture of significant economic growth paired with the world's deepest social inequalities. We approach these questions chiefly through the lens of history, but will also make use of contributions from other disciplines such as anthropology, sociology, and the arts.

Mode of teaching:

The main themes of the paper will be presented in sixteen lectures. Four seminar-style discussions will focus in exploring in depth subjects that run across the history of the region, with the support of the historical literature and the analysis of primary sources. Students taking this paper are entitled to six supervisions.

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- What does archaeological evidence teach us about pre-Columbian history that written sources do not?

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Have historians overestimated the importance of technology in assessing the conquest of the New World?

How widespread was indigenous collaboration in the Spanish conquest of Mexico and Peru?

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How successful were the Spanish in reforming the use of space to assert colonial rule?

With no armies and police in colonial Spanish America, did coercion play any role?

How important were ideas about race and honour in colonial Spanish America?

Discuss the concept of "negotiation" in Latin American colonial history.



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