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HIS 250/ECO 252/AAS 252: Economies and Societies in Latin America and the Caribbean Since 1492

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I. *Scope and Focus of the Course*

The history of Latin America and the Caribbean since 1492 presents an excellent laboratory for many of the socio-political and economic issues currently debated in many countries across the globe the wealth and poverty of nations (why some countries are poor and others are rich); the role of the state versus that of the market in the

*Table 1: Comparative Gross National Income (Purchasing Power Parity dollars)
(selected Countries in selected years)*

	Population (millions)		GNI (\$ billion PPP)		GNI per capita (\$ PPP)	
	<u>2010</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2013</u>
Argentina	41	41.4	616.1		15,150	
Brazil	195	200.4	2,129.0	2,955.3	10,920	14,750
Chile	17	17.6	238.0 370.6		13,890 21,030	
Mexico	109	122.3	1,629.2	1,971.2	15,010	16,110
Peru	29	30.4	263.7	345.2	8,940	11,360
Cuba		11.3		208.9		18,520
Jamaica	2.7	2.7	20.139	23.0	7,430	8,480
Latin America & the Caribbean	578	588.0	6,329.6	8,143.0	10,951	13,848
USA	310	316.1	14,561	17,057.5	47,020	53,960
South Korea	49	50.2	1,417.9	1,679.1	29,010	33,440

Sources & Notes: For 2010, World Bank,

3. Bonham C. Richardson, *The Caribbean in the Wider World, 1492-1992: A Regional Geography* (Cambridge, 1992).
4. Julie A. Charlip and E. Bradford Burns, *Latin America: An Interpretive History* (9th ed., Upper Saddle River, NJ.: Pearson, 2011)

IV.B *Required and Recommended Textbooks Placed on Reserve:*

5. Mark A. Burkholder and Lyman L. Johnson, *Colonial Latin America* (9th edition, New York: Oxford University Press, 2015).
6. Victor Bulmer-Thomas, *The Economic History of Latin America Since Independence* (3rd edition, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2014).
7. Michael Reid, *Brazil: The Troubled Rise of a Global Power* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2014)
8. Jeffrey D. Needell (ed.), *Emergent Brazil: Key Perspectives on a New Global Power* (Miami: University Press of Florida, 2015).
9. Jose Luis Cardoso, Maria Cristino Marcuzzo, and Maria Eugenia Romero Sotelo (eds.), *Economic Development and Global Crisis: The Latin American Economy in Historical Perspective* (New York: Routledge, 2014).
10. Victor Bulmer-Thomas, *The Economic History of the Caribbean Since the Napoleonic Wars* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2012).

4. **Mining and the plantation economies of Spanish and Portuguese America** the creation of slave-based economies and societies: socioeconomic institutions; property and income distribution; creation of interest groups in relation to political power distribution and the direction of state policies; implications for socioeconomic and technological development. (**September 10, 2015**).

Reading: Burkholder & Johnson, *Colonial Latin America*, pp. 122-190, 282-338.

5. **The creation of slave-based plantation economies and societies in the Caribbean** and the implication for socio-economic and technological development in the 17th and 18th centuries. (**September 15, 2015**).

Reading:

B. C. Richardson, *The Caribbean in the Wider World, 1492-1992: A Regional Geography* (New York, 1992), pp. 38-70;

Louis A. Perez, Jr., *Cuba: Between Reform and Revolution* (3rd ed., New York: Oxford University Press, 2006), pp. 1-76;

R. Sheridan, *The development of the plantations*, pp. 9-111.

6. **The achievement of political independence in Latin America:** class structure of politically independent Latin American nations; economic and political power distribution among Latin American social classes and the intensification of external-oriented economic activities in the 19th century.

J. R. Ward, *Poverty and Progress in the Caribbean, 1800-1960*
(London: Macmillan, 1985), pp. 13-45;

Eric Williams, From Columbus to Castro, pp. 328-391;

10. **Neoliberalism and Economic Development in Latin America:** Elimination of trade restrictions, Deregulation, Privatization of state owned enterprises, and the development process, with emphasis on the recent rise of Brazil.
(October 20, 22, 27, 29, November 3 & 5, 2015).

Reading:

Bulmer-Thomas, *Latin America Since Independence*, pp. 391-457.

Michael Reid, *Brazil: The Troubled Rise of a Global Power* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 2014), pp. 3-23, 117-236, 282-289.

Jeffrey D. Needell (ed.), *Emergent Brazil: Key Perspectives on a New Global Power* (Miami: University Press of Florida, 2015), pp. 1-9, 13-30..

Charlip and Burns, *Latin America*, 298-323;

11. **The Cuban revolution and the socialist approach to socioeconomic development in Latin America and the Caribbean. (November 10, 12, 17 & 19, 2015).**

Reading: Perez, Cuba, pp. 77-290, 291-329.

Charlip and Burns, Latin America, pp. 241-252.

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William D. Walker, III (ed.), *Drugs in the Western Hemisphere: An Odyssey of Cultures in Conflict* (Wilmington, DE: Scholarly Resources, 1996).

VI *Suggested Further Reading (Placed on Reserve)*

1. Stephany Griffith-Jones & Osvaldo Sunkel, Debt and Development Crises in Latin America: The End of an Illusion (Clarendon Press, Oxford, 1986).
2. Andre Gunder Frank, Dependent Accumulation and Underdevelopment (New York, 1979).
3. Louis A. Perez, Jr., Cuba: Between Reform and Revolution (3rd edition, New York: Oxford University Press, 2006).
4. Cambridge History of Latin America (all volumes; available in the library).
5. David Watts, The West Indies: Patterns of Development, Culture and Environmental Change Since 1492 (Cambridge and New York, 1987).
6. Ronald H. Chilcote and Joel C. Edelstein, Latin America: Capitalist and Socialist Perspectives of Development and Underdevelopment (Boulder and London, Westview Press, 1986)
7. Angus Maddison (ed.), Latin America, The Caribbean and the OECD: Dialogue on Economic Reality and Policy Options (OECD, Paris, 1986)
8. Angus Maddison (ed.), Two Crises: Latin America and Asia, 1929-38 and 1973-83 (OECD, Paris, 1985).
9. Howard J. Wiarda, Latin America at the Crossroads-Debt, Development, and the Future (Boulder and London, Westview Press, 1987)
10. Andrew Maguire and Janet W. Brown (eds.), Bordering on Trouble: Resources and Politics in Latin America (Bethesda, Maryland, 1986).
11. Jonathan Hartlyn and Samuel A. Moreley (eds.), Latin American Political Economy: Financial Crisis and Political Change (Westview Press, Boulder and London, 1986).
12. Diana Tussie (ed.), Latin America in the World Economy: New Perspectives (St. Martins Press, New York, 1983)

13. Stanley J. Stein and Barbara H. Stein, The Colonial Heritage of Latin America: Essays on Economic Dependence in Perspective (Oxford University Press, New York, 1970).
14. James Lockhart and Stuart B. Schwartz, Early Latin America: A History of Colonial Spanish America and Brazil (Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1983).
15. Fernando Henrique Cardoso and Enzo Faletto, Dependency and Development in Latin America (University of California Press, Berkeley, 1979).
16. Richard L. Rubenstein and John K. Roth, The Politics of Latin American Liberation Theology (Washington Institute Press, Washington, D. C., 1988).
17. Kenneth Duncan & Ian Rutledge (eds.), Land and Labour in Latin America: Essays on the Development of Agrarian Capitalism in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries (Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 1977).
18. Richard Sheridan, The Development of the plantations to 1750: An era of West Indian prosperity, 1750-1775 (Caribbean Universities Press, Ginn and Company, Aylesbury, 1970).
19. Donald Hodges and Ross Gandy, Mexico, 1910-1976: Reform or Revolution? (Zed Press, London, 1979).
20. Andre Gunder Frank, Latin America: Underdevelopment or Revolution: Essays on the Development of Underdevelopment and the Immediate Enemy (Monthly Review Press, London, 1969).

27. United Nations Development Programme, Human Development Report 1992 (Oxford University Press, New York, 1992).
28. Frederick Douglass Institute, Undergraduate Perspectives on African and African-American Studies, (3 volumes, 1988-89, 1989-90, and 1990-91) University of Rochester, Rochester, 1990, 1991, and 1993).
29. Eric Williams, From Columbus to Castro: The History of the Caribbean, 1492-1969 (London, 1970).
30. Douglas C. North, Institutions, Institutional Change and Economic Performance (Cambridge, 1990).
31. Linda A. Rodriguez (ed.), Rank and Privilege: The Military and Society in Latin America (Wilmington, DE: Jaquar Books, 1994).
32. William D. Walker, III (ed.), Drugs in the Western Hemisphere: An Odyssey of Cultures in Conflict (Wilmington, DE: Jaguar Books, 1994).
33. Evelyn Huber and Frank Safford (eds.), Agrarian Structure and Political Power: Landlord and Peasant in the Making of Latin America (Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, 1995).
34. William C. Smith & Roberto P. Korzeniewicz (eds.), Politics, Social Change, and Economic Restructuring in Latin America (Miami: University of Miami Press, 1997).
35. Joseph E. Inikori, Africans and the Industrial Revolution in England: A Study in International Trade and Economic Development (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2002), Chapter 4, pp. 156-214.

- (ii) [John H. Coatsworth, "Patterns of Rural Rebellion in Latin America: Mexico in Comparative Perspective,"](#) pp. 21-62;
 - (iii) [Friedrich Katz, "Rural Uprisings in Preconquest and Colonial Mexico,"](#) pp. 65-94;
 - (iv) [Hans Werner Tobler, "Peasants and the Shaping of the Revolutionary State, 1910-40,"](#) pp. 487-518.
3. Peter J. Bakewell, John J. Johnson, and Meredith D. Dodge (eds.), Readings in Latin American History, Vol. I (Durham: Duke University Press, 1985):
- (i) [Alfred W. Crosby, "Conquistador y Pestilencia: The First New World Pandemic and the Fall of the Great Indian Empires,"](#) pp. 35-50;
 - (ii) [James Lockhart, "Encomienda and Hacienda: The Evolution of the Great Estate in the Spanish Indies,"](#) pp. 51-66;
 - (iii) [William B. Taylor, "Landed Society in New Spain: A View from the South,"](#) pp. 105-128;
 - (iv) [D. A. Brading and Harry E. Cross, "Colonial Silver Mining: Mexico and Peru,"](#) pp. 129-156;
 - (v) [Karen Spalding, "Social Climbers: Changing Patterns of Mobility among the Indians of Colonial Peru,"](#) pp. 157-173;
 - (vi) [L. A. Clayton, "Trade and Navigation in the Seventeenth-Century Vice-Royalty of Peru,"](#) pp. 174-191;
 - (vii) [Stuart B. Schwartz, "Magistracy and Society in Brazil,"](#) pp. 192-203.
4. John J. Johnson, Peter J. Bakewell, and Meredith D. Dodge (eds.), Readings in Latin American History, Vol. 2 (Durham: Duke University Press, 1985):
- (i) [Alfred Stepan, "Political Leadership and Regime Breakdown: Brazil,"](#) pp. 125-152;
 - (ii) [Michael Dodson, "Liberation Theology and Christian Radicalism in Contemporary Latin America,"](#) pp. 195-214;
 - (iii) [David McCreery, "Debt Servitude in Rural Guatemala, 1876-1936,"](#) pp. 238-257;
 - (iv) [Arnold J. Bauer, "Rural Workers in Spanish America: Problems of Peonage and Oppression,"](#) pp. 258-283

- (v) [Thomas E. Skidmore, "Toward a Comparative Analysis of Race Relations since Abolition in Brazil and the United States,"](#) pp. 328-350;
- (vi) [James H. Street, "Overcoming Technological Dependence in Latin America,"](#) pp. 418-435.

5. [Journal of Latin American Studies](#), Vol. 24 (1992):

- (i) [Luigi Manzetti, "The Evolution of Agricultural Interest Groups in Argentina,"](#) pp. 585-616;
- (ii) [Mario De Franco and Ricardo Godoy, "The Economic Consequences of Cocaine Production in Bolivia: Historical, Local, and Macroeconomic Perspectives,"](#) pp. 375-406;
- (iii) [Andrew Zimbalist, "Teetering on the Brink: Cuba's Current Economic and Political Crisis,"](#) pp. 407-418;
- (iv) [Marcelo Cavarozzi, "Beyond Transitions to Democracy in Latin America,"](#) pp. 665-684.

6. [Journal of Latin American Studies](#), Vol. 24, Quincentenary Supplement, 1992:

- (i) Roberto Cortes Conde, "Export-Led Growth in Latin America: 1870-1930," pp. 163-179;
- (ii) Rosemary Thorp, "A Reappraisal of the Origins of Import-Substituting Industrialisation, 1930-1950," pp. 181-195;
- (iii) Eliana Cardoso and Albert Fishlow, "Latin American Economic Development, 1950-1980," pp. 197-218;
- (iv) John Lynch, "The Institutional Framework of Colonial Spanish America," pp. 69-81;
- (v) Steve J. Stern, "Paradigms of Conquest: History, Historiography, and Politics," pp. 1-34;
- (vi) Alan Knight, "The Peculiarities of Mexican History: Mexico Compared to Latin America, 1821-1992," pp. 99-144;
- (vii) Florence E. Mallon, "Indian Communities, Political Cultures, and the State in Latin America, 1780-1990," pp. 35-53;

- (viii) Carlos Sempat Assadourian, "The Colonial Economy: The Transfer of the European System of Production to New Spain and Peru," pp. 55-68;

