

INTL 4270 - Inter-American Relations

Spring 2009
Call # 56-544
Class time: TR, 9:30-10:45
Location: SLC 245

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- Course Description:** Changing Latin American and U.S. Policy in the region.
- Course Objectives:** This course is intended to provide an Introduction to Latin America and U.S. Foreign Policy.
- Attendance Policy:** Students are expected to attend all classes.
- Grading Policy:** Grades will be based on two exams—a midterm (20%) and a final (40%), 3 papers (10% each), and class participation (10%).
- Make Up Examinations:** Missed examinations can be made up only in very exceptional circumstances.
- Academic Honesty:** *All academic work must meet the standards contained in "A Culture of Honesty" found in the University of Georgia Undergraduate Bulletin. Each student is responsible to inform themselves about those standards before performing any academic work.*
- Format:** Lecture/Discussion
- Texts** Howard J. Wiarda, American Foreign Policy, Actors and Processes
Howard J. Wiarda and Harvey F. Kline (eds.), Latin American Politics and Development, 6th Edition
Michael J. Kryzanek, U.S. - Latin American Relations (4th Edition)
- Schedule**
- Part I. Weeks 1-3/January 8-23
Introduction to Latin America
Read: Wiarda and Kline, Latin American Politics and Development - introduction
- Part II. Weeks 4-6/January 26-Feb. 13
American Foreign Policy; How It Works
Read: Wiarda, American Foreign Policy - entire book
- Part III. Weeks 7-8/Feb. 16-27
A History of U.S. - Latin American Relations
Read: Kryzanek, U.S. - Latin American Relations, Parts I and II

Part IV. Weeks 9-12/March 2-April 3

U.S. Relations with Individual Countries

Read: Wiarda and Kline, Latin American Policies and Development, selectively, depending on the country we're covering.

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| 1. Nicaragua | 6. Brazil |
| 2. Mexico | 7. Venezuela |
| 3. Colombia | 8. Haiti |
| 4. Cuba | 9. Others, depending on time |
| 5. Argentina | |

Part V. Weeks 13-14/April 6-24

Main Issues in U.S. - Latin American Relations.

Readings to be assigned

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| 1. Human Rights | 5. Immigration |
| 2. Democracy | 6. Environment |
| 3. Trade and Economic Integration | 7. Latin American and the Rest of the World |
| 4. Drugs | |

Part VI. Week 15, April 28. Conclusion. Re-read Wiarda and Kline, LA Politics, intro and conclusion; Kryzanek, conclusion; Wiarda, AFP, Intro and Conclusion.