

## History 295. Cold War Latin America

### Week 1. Overview

Tuesday, 22 January How did the Cold War Affect Latin America in the Fifties and Sixties?

Rabe, *The Killing Zone*, xxv-113. [For Purchase]

Thursday, 24 January How did the Cold War Affect Latin America in the Seventies and Eighties?

Rabe, *The Killing Zone*, 114-174. [For Purchase]

### Week 2. Origins of the Cold War Globally and in Latin America

Tuesday, 29 January What Was the Cold War? How Did it Start in Latin America?

Odd Arne Westad, "The Empire of Liberty," and "The Empire of Justice," in *The Global Cold War* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2005), 8-72. e-reserve.

Greg Grandin, "What Was Containment?," in *The Cold War in the Third World*, Ed. By Robert Jd, Ea-189.

How did Policymakers talk about it?

Memorandum Prepared in the Department of State, January 4, 1950.

Memorandum from the Counselor of the Department (Kennan) to the Secretary of State, March 29, 1950.

### Week 3. The Rise and Fall of the Guatemalan Revolution

Tuesday, 5 February Why was going on in Central America Before Intervention?

Jim Handy, "'A Sea of Indians': Ethnic Conflict and the Guatemalan Revolution, 1944-1952," *The Americas* 46:2 (October 1989): 189-204.

Aaron Coy Moulton, "Building their own Cold War in their own backyard: the transnational, international conflicts in the greater Caribbean basin, 1944-1954," *Cold War History* 15:2 (2015): 135-154.

Piero Gleijeses, "The Agrarian Reform of Jacobo Arbenz," *Journal of Latin American Studies* 21:3 (October 1989): 453-480.

Thursday, 7 February Why did the US Intervene in Guatemala?

Schlesinger & Kinzer, "The Overlord" and "Advertisements," from *Bitter Fruit*, e-reserve.

Friday, 8 February Paper Topics are Due.

### Week 4. Debating the Causes of Intervention

Tuesday, 12 February Why did the US Intervene in Guatemala?

Immerman, "Truman, Eisenhower, and the Cold War," from *The CIA in Guatemala*, on e-reserve.

Cullather, *The CIA's Classified Account of Its Operations in Guatemala*, xi-37. [For Purchase]

Thursday, 14 February How did the US Intervene in Guatemala?

Cullather, *The CIA's Classified Account of Its Operations in Guatemala*, 38-123.

### Week 5. The Cuban Revolution and the Aftermath

Tuesday, 19 February                      How Did the Cuban Revolution Happen? How did it affect US thinking?

Thomas C. Wright, *Latin America in the Era of the Cuban Revolution*, 1-38. [For Purchase]

Vanni Pettinà, "The Shadows of Cold War over Latin America: the US reaction to Fidel Castro's nationalism, 1956-1959," *Cold War History* 11:3 (2011): 317-339.

Stephen G. Rabe, "After the Missiles of October: John F. Kennedy and Cuba, November 1962 to November 1963," *Presidential Studies Quarterly* 30:4 (2000): 714-726.

Thursday, 21 February                      What impact did Cuba have on the Cold War?

Yinghong Cheng, "Sino-Cuban Relations during the Early Years of the Castro Regime, 1959-1966," *Journal of Cold War Studies* 9:3 (2007): 78-114.

## Week 6.              Fidelismo in Latin America

Tuesday, 26 February                      How did the Cuban Revolution Affect Latin America?

Christopher Andrew and Vasili Mitrokhin, "Latin America: Introduction" and "'The Bridgehead,' 1959-1969," in *The World Was Going Our Way* (New York: Basic Books, 2005), 27-57. e-reserve.

Thomas C. Wright, *Latin America in the Era of the Cuban Revolution*, 39-56, 73-109.

Che Guevara, "Message to the Tricontinental," 16 April 1967.

Thursday, 28 February                      How did the United States React?

Michael Grow, "The Dominican Republic, 1965," 75-92.

Thomas C. Wright, *Latin America in the Era of the Cuban Revolution*, 57-72.

Friday, 1 March                              Bibliographies are Due.

## Week 7.              Dependency and the Roots of Neoliberalism

Tuesday, 5 March                              What Was Dependency Theory?

Paul A. Baran, "On the Political Economy of Backwardness," *The Manchester School of Economy and Social Studies* (1952): 66-84. One e-ride € 1.00 (s) and (e) 54.4 (A) 4.6 (m) 4.6 (c)



Williamson, "The Strange History of the Washington Consensus," *Journal of Post Keynesian Economics* 27 (2004-2005), 195-206.

Thursday, 2 May                      How Did Latin American Political Economy Shift?  
Jeffrey Sachs, "Bolivia's High-Altitude Hyperinflation," in *The End of Poverty* (New York: Penguin, 2006), 90-108.

#### Week 14. The End of History in Latin America

Tuesday, 7 May                      What Came After the Cold War?  
Francis Fukuyama, "The End of History?," *The National Interest* (Summer 1989), 3-18.  
<https://www.jstor.org/stable/24027184>  
Michael Reid, "From the Washington Consensus to the Commodity Boom — and Bust," in *Forgotten Continent*, 133-164.

Thursday, 9 May                      What was the Reckoning?  
Rabe, "Aftermath," in *The Killing Zone*, 175-195.

Tuesday, 14 May                      Final Exam  
The Final Exam is at 9 AM.  
You can turn in your paper then, or no later than Friday at 4 PM.

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