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Introductory meeting. Sept 15  

WEEK 1. Images. Sept 22  


Asturias, Miguel Angel, The Green Pope, Gregory Rabassa tr. Delacorte, 1971, pp. 3-22 (or the first chapter of the first part of any edition of El papa verde)  


WEEK 2. Theories. Sept 29  


Krasner, Stephen, “Are Bureaucracies Important?” *Foreign Policy* no. 7 (Summer 1972): 159-179


WEEK 3. Theories to Cases. Oct 6


WEEK 4. What was the Cold War? Oct 13 [Discuss schedule with students]


Mares, David R., and Francisco Rojas Aravena. *The United States and Chile: Coming in From the Cold*. Routledge, 2001, pp. 3-47


WEEK 6. War and Peace. Oct 27


WEEK 7. Drug Trafficking and Guerrillas. Nov 3


Walsh, John M. “Are We There Yet? Measuring Progress in the U.S. War on Drugs in Latin America,” *WOLA Drug War Monitor* (December 2004): 1-19


Walser, Ray, “The Crisis in the Andes: Ecuador, Colombia, and Venezuela,” *Heritage Lectures*. 4

Domínguez and Fernández de Castro, The United States and Mexico, pp. 35-52

McClintock and Vallas, The United States and Peru, pp. 111-130


WEEK 8. Promoting Democracy? Nov 10


Carothers, Thomas, In the Name of Democracy: U.S. Policy toward Latin America in the Reagan Years. University of California Press, 1991. Read either 12-46 (El Salvador) or 77-110 (Nicaragua). Read either 149-163 (Chile) or 166-182 (Panama)

McClintock and Vallas, The United States and Peru, pp. 142-156


Mitchell, Christopher, ed., Western Hemisphere Immigration and United States Foreign Policy. Pennsylvania State University Press, 1992. Read two of the following four: 31-88 (Cuba), 89-123 (Dominican Republic), 157-219 (Central America), 221-283 (Mexico)

Andreas, Peter, and Timothy Snyder, eds. The Wall Around the West: State Borders and Immigration Controls in North America and Europe. Rowman & Littlefield, 2000, pp. 1-5 (Andreas), 55-71 (Lahav & Guiradon)

Andreas, Peter, and Thomas Biersteker, eds. The Rebordering of North America. Routledge, 2003, pp. 1-16


http://www.wcfia.harvard.edu/sites/default/files/1091__JD_Latino.pdf


WEEK 10. The Politics of Trade. Nov 24


Hufbauer, Gary, and Jeffrey Schott, NAFTA Revisited: Achievements and Challenges.

Abbott, Frederick M. , “NAFTA and the Legalization of World Politics: A Case Study,” International Organization 54 no. 3 (Summer 2000): 519-547


WEEK 11. Political Negotiations and Financial Crises. December 1


WEEK 12. Business cases. Dec 8


“CEMEX and Antidumping,” Stanford University Graduate School of Business Case P-4 (Rev. May 1995), pp. 1-10
“CEMEX, S.A. de C.V.: Global Competition in a Local Business,” Stanford University Graduate School of Business Case S-IB-17 (July 9, 1999), pp. 1-11, 13, 16


“Aguas Argentinas: Settling a Dispute,” Harvard Business School Case 9-705-019, pp. 1-14


WEEK 13. Country cases. Dec 15

Choose two of the following five countries. Be ready to discuss one in full; read at least one article or one chapter from the other:

Argentina

Norden and Russell, The United States and Argentina, pp. 49-130


Brazil

Hirst, The United States and Brazil. Routledge, 2005


See also, under Argentina, above, three articles by Sotomayor Velázquez, Malamud, and Gomez Mera.

Chile

Mares and Rojas Aravena, The United States and Chile, pp, 49-118

Lincoln, Jennie, and Ferris, Elizabeth, eds., The Dynamics of Latin American Foreign Policies. Westview, 1984, pp. 125-135 (Pittman)


Cuba

Domínguez, Jorge, To Make a World Safe for Revolution: Cuba’s Foreign Policy. Harvard University Press, 1989, pp. 34-60, 78-247


Domínguez, Jorge I., “U.S.-Cuban Relations: From the Cold War to the Colder War,” Journal of Interamerican Studies and World Affairs 39, no. 3 (Fall 1997): 49-71


Mexico

Domínguez and Fernández de Castro, The United States and Mexico, pp. 53-155


Thacker, Strom, “NAFTA Coalitions and the Political Viability of Neoliberalism in Mexico,” Journal of Interamerican Studies and World Affairs 41 no. 2 (Summer 1999): 57-80


Rubio, Luis, and Susan Kaufman Purcell, eds., Mexico under Fox. Lynne Rienner, 2004, pp. 87-111 (Rozental), 143-164 (Kaufman Purcell)


Venezuela

Kelly and Romero, The United States and Venezuela, pp. 53-144, 146

