Sinclair Community College
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Master Syllabus

HIS 2216 - Survey of Latin American History

Division: Liberal Arts, Communication and Social Sciences

Department: History

Credit Hour Total: 3.0 **Lecture Hrs:** 3.0

Date Revised: June 2014

Course Description:

A survey of Latin American history and culture from pre-colonial times to the present, tracing colonial influences, 20th century revolutions, dictatorships and democratic alternatives and the evolution of global economics, U.S. and Organization of American States policies.

General Education Outcomes:

- Oral Communication
- Written Communication
- Critical Thinking/Problem Solving
- Values/Citizenship/Community
- Computer Literacy
- Information Literacy

Course Outcomes:

Reading and comprehension skills
Demonstrate reading and comprehension skills by synthesizing the content of scholarly writing on Latin American history and evaluating the effectiveness of written works.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams
Performance Criteria: 70% or higher

Current issues and trends
Apply knowledge of Latin American history to the understanding of contemporary social, political, and economic issues and trends.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams
Performance Criteria: 70% or higher

Assessment Method: Portfolios
Performance Criteria: 70% or higher

Historical interpretations
Demonstrate knowledge of evolving historical interpretations of major topics and eras in Latin American history.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams
Performance Criteria: 70% or higher

Primary sources
Critically analyze primary source documents (written as well as artifacts and art) in Latin American history and use them to construct well-organized, well-argued historical accounts.

Assessment Method: Locally developed exams
Performance Criteria: 70% or higher

Assessment Method: Portfolios
Performance Criteria: 70% or higher

Outline:

The land and racial and ethnic mixtures Pre-Columbian culturesIndian, Iberian and African influences Social, political and economic aspects of colonialismThe wars for independence and resulting 19th century crises20th century revolutions, dictatorships and democratic movementsThe evolution of U.S. policies Attempts at regional economic integration and political organization The current status of Latin American republicsThe current status of globalism and democracy in the region