

Hello All!

Welcome to HIST 274: Modern Latin America. This course examines Latin American history from 1800 to 2000, with a particular focus on the histories of capitalism, urbanization, and political revolution across the region.

You can call me Prof. Pinto. I am an Assistant Professor of History at Marist, and a specialist in the history of slavery and capitalism in Modern Brazil. I earned my PhD in History at Stony Brook University in 2018 and I taught at Boston College, Trinity College, and at St. Olaf College before joining Marist in the fall of 2023.

This course runs for eight weeks. This class will be entirely asynchronous, although there will be four recorded lectures that you will be asked to watch and complete a quiz in reference to.

There are three textbooks for the class. Please have the following books before the start of the semester:

- 1) Thomas Skidmore, James Green and Peter Smith, *Modern Latin America* (Oxford University Press, 2018).

ISBN: 9780190674656

- 2) Jurgen Buchenau and Gilbert Joseph, *Mexico's Once and Future Revolution: Social Upheaval and the Challenge of Rule Since the Nineteenth Century* (Duke University Press, 2013)

ISBN: 978-0-8223-7738-2

- 3) Steven Topik, Carlos Marichal, et al, *From Silver to Cocaine: Latin American Commodity Chains and the Building of the World Economy* (Duke University Press, 2006)

ISBN: 978-0-8223-3766-9

Each week of the class will be divided into four modules, to be completed on Brightspace by the Saturday evening of that week at 11:59 PM. The Brightspace page for this course will be accessible on the morning of June 2, 2025.

Please let me know if you have any questions. My email address is copied below.

Looking forward to a great semester!

Professor Pinto

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