Latin American Studies Courses for Intersession and Spring 2017

Intersession 2017

SPAN 295 Contemporary Mexican Culture and Language (CF, D), Y. Silva
(Prerequisite: SPAN 211 or higher) An intersession travel course to Mexico; 3 credits in Humanities (foreign language area), 3 credits in the social sciences (political science area), and cultural diversity credit. Team taught by University faculty from the departments of Foreign Languages and Political Science with assistance from Mexican faculty at the Ibero. Permission of instructor required to register. Travel course to Puebla, Mexico January 6 - 26.

Spring 2017

ENLT 129 (CL, D), Literature and Social Justice, S. Méndez, MWF 10:00-10:50pm
An introductory study of drama and fiction analyzing issues of social justice and the social, political, and/or structural dimensions of these issues which have been used to impede the establishment of social justice. Topics studied may include race, gender, class, sexual orientation, ability issues, age-ism, and war/violence.

HIST 126 Modern Latin America (CH, D), A. Levy, MWF 9:00-9:50 and MWF 10:00-10:50
An introduction to modern Latin American history: the Latin American republics, with emphasis on the themes of nation building, dictatorship, cultural identity, cultural movements, and inter-American relations.

HIST 213 Gender and Family in Latin America (CH, D, W), A. Levy, MW 3:00-4:15
(Prerequisite: HIST 125, HIST 126, PS 219, or SPAN 203) Examines the roles of gender and family in Latin America from Columbus to the present. We will look at how notions of femininity, masculinity, and sexuality have changed over time and in intersection with race, religion, occupation, and space.

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PHIL 242 Latin American Thought (P, D), K. Nordberg, MWF 11:00-11:50
(Prerequisites: PHIL 120 and PHIL 210) This course is a survey of the texts and ideas that help to define Latin America from pre-Conquest to the present day. There will be a special focus on the hermeneutical issue of encountering and understanding the other and the theme of philosophy being shaped by its cultural context.

PS 219 Survey of Latin American Politics (D, S), M. Allison, MWF 10:00-10:50
An overview of the political cultures and political dynamics of Latin America. A series of representative nations is examined to provide a general overview of the region. Topics include historical figures and events, the processes of democratization and modernization, and issues in contemporary politics.

SOC 234 Cultural Anthropology (D, S), R. Malloy, T 5:00-7:40
Cultural and social organization among primitive or preliterate societies: marriage, property, religion, magic and tribal control. Significance of the study of primitive cultures for understanding of urban industrial civilizations.

SPAN 312 Spanish Composition (CF, W), Y. Silva, MWF 10:00-10:50
SPAN 312 Spanish Composition (CF, W), J. Meilan Del Rio, MWF 11:00-11:50
(Prerequisite: SPAN 311 or equivalent) Intensive writing practice stressing grammar, writing analysis, and composition. Taught in Spanish. Includes activities inside and/or outside the classroom that involve Language Learning Center (language lab) resources.

SPAN 314 Latin-American Culture and Civilization (D, W), Y. Silva, MWF 1:00-1:50
(Prerequisites: SPAN 311-312 or equivalent) The course examines the diverse cultural, historical, linguistic, religious, and political features of Latin America. Taught in Spanish. Includes activities inside and/or outside the classroom that involve Language Learning Center (language lab) resources.

SPAN 315 Medical Spanish, J. Meilan Del Rio, MW 5:00-6:15
(Prerequisites: SPAN 311 or equivalent) Designed for the student who plans to work in any area of health care, this course focuses on the needs and problems of Spanish-speaking patients. Students learn specialized vocabulary and improved communicative ability through conversation and composition and develop an increased awareness of health issues often of particular concern to Hispanics. Taught in Spanish. Includes activities inside and/or outside the classroom that involve Language Learning Center (language lab) resources.

SPAN 319 Business Spanish, J. Meilan Del Rio, MWF 2:00-2:50
(Prerequisites: SPAN 311-SPAN 312 or equivalent) Overview of the spoken and written language of the Spanish business world. Formalities and conventions of letter writing, banking, import/export, and other commercial transactions. Analysis of terminology from business-related areas such as finance, insurance and international commerce within a contemporary cultural setting. Taught in Spanish. Includes activities inside and/or outside the classroom that involve Language Learning Center (language lab) resources.