

The First Annual
**Tulane Undergraduate
Conference on
Latin America**

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Wednesday, Nov. 5: Modernization and Globalization

Discussant: Aaron Lorenz

Stephen Brooksher	<i>Modernization and Globalization's Role in Juvenile Delinquency and Gang Violence in Honduras</i>
Rob Bryant	<i>Cuban Literature in the Age of Globalization</i>
Anna Douglass	<i>The Modernization of Urbanization and Rolling with Globalization</i>
Leah Taschek	<i>The Effects of Globalization on Rural-Urban Migration and the Social Consequences of this Phenomenon</i>
Erica Weiss	<i>Globalization as Modern-Day Imperialism and Colonialization</i>

Tuesday, Nov. 11: Social Movements

Discussant: Maria Gaztambide

Wendy Blake	<i>The Changing Roles of Women: Female Labor Force Participation in Mexico</i>
Jeremy Glode	<i>Sandinista Movement in Nicaragua</i>
Kat Rito	<i>Drug Trafficking in Rio de Janeiro and Subsequent Effects on Urban Social Structures</i>
Erin Neibor	<i>Racial Inequalities with the Cuban Revolution</i>

Wednesday, Nov. 12: Military Repression and Authoritarianism

Discussant: Stephanie Macik

Rachel Geller	<i>From the Spanish Crown to the United States: The Sugar Industry and the Negative Effects of Foreign Intervention and Investment in Cuba</i>
Jessica Ingram	<i>The Impact of the Peaceful Protest of the Madres de la Plaza de Mayo on the Fall of the Military Dictatorship (1976-1983)</i>
Erin McGaughey	<i>Chilean Public Opinion Regarding the Pinochet Controversy: Effective President vs. Ruthless Dictator</i>
Kimberlyn Owens-Hughes	<i>Women in Opposition to Authoritarianism: How and Why They Protest</i>

Tuesday, Nov. 18: Domestic Policy

Discussant: Maureen Long

Ondina Canales	<i>Are Our Kids Safe?: State Policies on Human Rights in Honduras</i>
Ernesto Diaz	<i>Unexploited Investment Opportunities in Mexico</i>
Alexis Ruffino	<i>Moral vs. Material Incentives: The Conflicting "New Man" Image in Contemporary Cuba</i>
Erin Wood	<i>Manifestations of US Democracy on Latin American Politics: A Study of Mexico</i>

Wednesday, Nov. 19: Drugs

Discussant: Margarita Vargas Betancourt

Samara Freimark	<i>Castro's Role in the International Drug Trade</i>
Kristin Grosskopf	<i>Why We Were Right: In Defense of Plan Colombia and the US Involvements in the Colombian War on Drugs</i>
Rich Page	<i>Public Policy Failure: A Critical Review of the US-led War on Drugs in Latin America</i>
Leah Spivey	<i>Drug Trafficking in Rio de Janeiro and Subsequent Effects on Urban Social Structures</i>

Tuesday, Nov. 25: Foreign Policy

Discussant: Troy Foote

David Kinney

A Policy of Intervention: CIA Involvement in Guatemala in 1954 and Cuba during 1961

Katie Niekrash

The Free Trade Era of Mexico and Its Future Implications

Elizabeth Phillips

Reagan in Retrospect: Perspectives on US Foreign Policy in Central America

Jaime Puskar

Non-Compliance: Perspectives on the Non-Alliance Movement

Matt Tavares

Out With the Old, In With the Neo: The Rise of Neo-Liberalism at the Expense of Dependency Theory

Tuesday, Dec. 2: Globalization

Discussant: Cynthia Garza

Margaret Black

Effects of the US Embargo on Cuba's Globalization Process

Liz Meade

Globalization in Cuba during the "Special Period"

Jenny Nuila

Tourism and the Search for Latin American Identity

Emily Roberson

Corporations Versus People: Who Benefits From Free Trade in Latin America?

Jenny Scarbrough

Imag(in)ing Jamaica: Popular Visual Images of Jamaica in the United States

Wednesday, Dec. 3: Fusions of Cultures

Discussant: Amy George-Hirons

Gina Allocca

Education through Mexican Muralism

Katie Bean

US Influence in Contemporary Latin America: Food, Fashion, and Thought

Alec Cierny

Urbanization Effects on Gender/Family Roles in Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo

Nelle Sacknoff

Afro-Latin American Story: Cultural and Historical Traditions of African Descendants in Latin America

Lori Vesole

The Mexican Woman: A Metamorphosis of Her Image

Biographical information on senior conferees and discussants

Listed in alphabetical order

* denotes Latin American Studies honors students

Gina Allocca	<i>Majors:</i> Spanish, Latin American Studies; <i>Concentration:</i> Art, Literature, and Culture
Katie Bean	<i>Major:</i> Latin American Studies; <i>Minor:</i> Sociology; <i>Concentration:</i> The Caribbean
Margaret Black	<i>Majors:</i> History, Latin American Studies; <i>Concentration:</i> The Caribbean
Wendy Blake*	<i>Major:</i> Latin American Studies; <i>Concentration:</i> Art, Literature, and Culture
Steven Brooksher	<i>Majors:</i> Latin American Studies, Psychology; <i>Minor:</i> Spanish; <i>Concentration:</i> Central America and Mexico
Robert Bryant	<i>Major:</i> English; <i>Minor:</i> Latin American Studies; <i>Concentration:</i> Art, Literature, and Culture
Ondina Canales*	<i>Majors:</i> International Relations, Latin American Studies (4+1 program in Political Science); <i>Concentration:</i> Environment, Health, and Ecology
Alec Cierny	<i>Majors:</i> Latin American Studies, Political Science; <i>Concentration:</i> Post-Colonial and Modern Societies
Ernesto Diaz	<i>Majors:</i> International Business, Marketing, Latin American Studies; <i>Concentration:</i> Post-Colonial and Modern Societies
Anna Douglass	<i>Majors:</i> Latin American Studies, Spanish; <i>Concentration:</i> Social Movements and Development
Troy Foote	<i>Ph.D. Candidate.</i> International Development, Civil-Military Relations, Central America
Samara Freimark	<i>Majors:</i> French, Latin American Studies; <i>Concentration:</i> The Caribbean
Cynthia Garza	<i>Ph.D. Candidate.</i> Cultural Anthropology, Performance, Peru
Maria Gaztambide	<i>Ph.D. Candidate.</i> Art History, Cultural Studies
Rachel Geller	<i>Majors:</i> Latin American Studies, Spanish; <i>Concentration:</i> The Caribbean
Amy George-Hirons	<i>Ph.D. Candidate.</i> Mesoamerican Linguistics, Art History, Latin American Literature.
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Kristin Grosskopf	<i>Majors:</i> English, Latin American Studies; <i>Concentration:</i> The Caribbean
Jessica Ingram	<i>Major:</i> Latin American Studies; <i>Minor:</i> Brazilian Studies; <i>Concentration:</i> Brazil

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Aaron Lorenz *Ph.D. Candidate. Public Health, Performance, Development, Brazil*

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