

Middle East Technical University
Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences
Department of Political Science and Public Administration

ADM. 5159. Politics and Society in Latin America

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Friday. 12:40-15:30.
Room: A-300 (M. Tünay Room)

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Course Description and Objectives: This course is designed to provide graduate students of political science with a survey of the Latin American politics at both theoretical and empirical levels of analysis. It begins with an examination of the political and economic developments in Latin American societies during their capitalist development and state formation and their legacy for the state-society relations. The course then proceeds to the analysis of the rise of authoritarianism, transitions to democratic rule, the dynamics of economic liberalization, and the challenges of democratic consolidation in major countries of the region.

Course Requirements

1. Students are expected to come to the lectures having done the assigned readings beforehand.
2. Two critical essays (3-5 pages) summarizing and evaluating the reading material assigned for a given week. (1st essay due: 9 April, 2nd essay due: 14May.) Late essays will be marked down 3 points.
3. Starting in the 2nd week of classes, students will start presentations of the reading material and directing the discussions (by summarizing the major points in the reading material and raising questions for class discussion).
4. A term paper (appr. 20 pages- double spaced) to be handed in at the end of the term. Paper topics may include any issue relevant to understanding Latin American politics, but students are urged to discuss the selection of their topics with the instructor. Late papers will be penalized.

Breakdown of the Grades:

Two critical essays: 30 % (each 15 %)

Class participation and presentations: 30 % (10-10-10)

Term-paper: 40 %.

COURSE OUTLINE

Must readings are marked (*).

WEEK I Introduction

1. * Wiarda, H. J and H. F. Kline. 1996, "The Context of Latin American Politics", "The Pattern of Economic Development" in H. J. Wiarda and H. F. Kline eds., *Latin American Politics and Development*, (Boulder: Westview Press), 4th ed., pp.3-26.
2. * Sunkel, O. (2007) 'The Precarious Sustainability of Democracy in Latin America', *Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies*, Vol 32, No 64:9-38

WEEK II. The Post-Independence Politics : State-Society Relations

- 3.* Chalmers, DA. 1977. "The Politicized State in Latin America," in James M. Malloy ed. *Authoritarianism and Corporatism in Latin America* (Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press), pp. 23-45.
- 4.* Malloy, J. M 1977. "Authoritarianism and Corporatism in Latin America: The Modal Pattern," in J. Malloy ed., *Authoritarianism and Corporatism in Latin America*, pp.3-19 (reprinted in R.A. Camp ed., *Democracy in Latin America: Patterns and Cycles*. (Wilmington, Imprint pp.121-137.)
5. Oszlak, O. 1981. 'The Historical Formation of the State in Latin America; Some Theoretical and Methodological Guidelines for Its Study' *Latin American Research Review*, 16:2, 3-32.

WEEK III . Rise of Military Regimes and Bureaucratic- Authoritarianism

6. * Garreton, M .A 1989. *The Chilean Political Process* (Boston: Unwin Hyman), pp.45-114.
7. * O'Donnell, G.1973, 1979. *Modernization and Bureaucratic Authoritarianism*, CH II. (Berkeley: University of California Press), pp.51-111.
8. Remmer, K. L. and G. Merx 1982. "Bureaucratic Authoritarianism Revisited," *Latin American Research Review*, XVII:2, pp.3-40.
9. O'Donnell, G. 1982. "Reply to Remmer and Merx," *Latin American Research Review*, XVII:2,pp.41-50.

WEEK IV. Transitions to Democracy and Consolidation : Patterns and Processes.

- 10.* Karl, T. 1991. "Dilemmas of Democratization in Latin America," in R.A. Camp ed., *Democracy in Latin America: Patterns and Cycles*. (Wilmington, Imprint), pp.21-46.
11. * Mainwaring, S.. 1992. "Transitions to Democracy and Democratic Consolidation" Theoretical and Comparative Issues," in S. Mainwaring, G. O'Donnell and J. S. Valenzuela.eds.

Issues in Democratic Consolidation: The New South American Democracies in Comparative Perspective. (Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press), pp.294- 335.

12. * Valenzuela, J.S 1992. 'Democratic Consolidation in Post-Transitional settings' in S. Mainwaring, G.O'Donnelle and J.S Valenzuela eds. *Issues in Democratic Consolidation*, pp.57-104

WEEK V Economics and Democracy in Latin America

13. *Remmer, K. L. 1996. "Democracy and Economic Crisis: the Latin American Experience," in R.A. Camp ed., *Democracy in Latin America: Patterns and Cycles.* (Wilmington, Imprint), pp.269-287

14. *Weyland, F. C 1998. 'New Democracies and Economic Crisis in Latin America' in P. D Oxborn and G. Ducatenzeiler , eds. *What Kind of Democracy? What Kind of Market? ? Latin America in the Age of Neo-Liberalism.* (University Park: The Pennsylvania State University Press),219-226.

15. *Weyland, K. 2004. 'Threats to Latin America's Market Model?' *Political Science Quarterly*, 119:2 (Summer), 291-313.

16. Castaneda, J. G. 1996. "Democracy and Inequality in Latin America: a Tension of the Times," in J. I .Dominguez and A. F. Lowenthal eds. *Constructing Democratic Governance: Latin America and the Caribbean in the 1990s.* (Baltimore: the John Hopkins University Press), pp.42-63.

17. Weyland, K (2004) 'Neoliberalism and Democracy in Latin America: A Mixed Record' *Latin American Politics and Society* , Vol. 46. No. 1, (spring) pp.135-157.

WEEK VI. Problems of Democratic Consolidation, I

18 * O'Donnell, G 1994. 'Delegative Democracy' *Journal of Democracy*, 5 (1) January , pp.56-69.

19 * Agüero, F. 1998. 'Conflicting Assessments of Democratization: Exploring the Faultlines' in F. Aguero and J Stark eds. *Fault Lines of Democracy in Post-Transition Latin America*

20. * Lagos, M (2008) Latin America's Diversity of Views' *Journal of Democracy*, Vol 19. No 1 (January) 111-125.

21. * Oxborn, P and G. Ducatenzeiler, 1999. "The Problematic Relationship Between Economic and Political Liberalization: Some Theoretical Considerations," in P. Oxborn and P. Starr, eds., *Markets and Democracy in Latin America: Conflict or Convergence?* (Boulder: Lynne Rienner), pp.1-41.

22. Smith, P. H and M. R Ziegler (2008) 'Liberal and Illiberal Democracy in Latin America' *Latin American Politics and Society*, Vol 50, No.1, 31-57.

WEEK VII Problems of Democratic Consolidation II

23. * Weyland, K.. 2003. "Neo-populism and Neo-Liberalism in Latin America: How Much Affinity?" *Third World Quarterly*, Vol.24. No.6, pp. 1095-1115.

24.* Hunter, W. 1998. "Civil-Military Relations in Argentina, Brazil and Chile: Present Trends, Future Prospects," in F. Aguero and J. Stark, eds., *Fault Lines of Democracy in Post-Transition Latin America*. (Miami: The North –South Press), pp.299-319.

25. * Mainwaring, S and T. R. Scully, eds. 1995. 'Conclusions: Parties and Democracy in Latin America' *Building Democratic Institutions: Party Systems in Latin America*.(Stanford Univ Press: Stanford) pp.459-474.

26. Pion-Berlin, D and H. Trinkunas (2005) 'Democratization, Social Crisis and the Impact of Military Domestic Roles in Latin America', *Journal and Political and Military Sociology*, Vol 33, No1(Summer): 5-24.

WEEK VIII. (24 April) Brazil

27.* Lamounier, B. 1999. "Brazil: Inequality Against Democracy," in L Diamond et al. eds., *Democracy in Developing Countries: Latin America* (2nd ed.), (Boulder: Lynne Rienner), pp. 131-183.

28 * Wolford, W. 2006 'Deepening Democracy and the Struggle for Agrarian Reform in Brazil' in R. Freinberg et al *Civil Society and Democracy in Latin America*, (Palgrave Macmillan; New York), pp. 139-160.

29 * Montero, A P. 2005 'The Lula Government: An Experiment with Social Democracy?' *Brazilian Politics: Reforming a Democratic State in a Changing World*. Polity press. pp.134-148.

30. Samuels, D. 2004 'From Socialism to Social Democracy: Party Organization and the Transformation of the Worker's Party in Brazil' *Comparative Political Studies*, 37 (9) 99-1024.

WEEK IX. Argentina

31. * Waisman, C H. 1999. "Argentina: Capitalism and Democracy," in L. Diamond et al eds., *Democracy in Developing Countries: Latin America* (2nd ed).pp.71-125.

32* . Horowitz, J. 1999. "Populism and Its Legacies in Argentina," in *Populism in Latin America*, (Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press), pp.22-42.

33. * Araujo, M M y. 2006 'Argentina After the Nineties: Changes in Social Structure and Political Behavior' in R. Freinberg et al *Civil Society and Democracy in Latin America*, pp.121-138.

34 . Schvarzer, Jorge. 1999. "Economic Reform in Argentina: Which Social Forces for What Aims?" in *What Kind of Democracy? What Kind of Market?* , pp. 61-88.

WEEK X. Chile

35. * Valenzuela, A. 1999. "Chile: Origins and Consolidation of Latin American Democracy," in L Diamond et al eds., *Democracy in Developing Countries: Latin America*, pp. 191-247.

36 * Silva,P.(2004) 'Doing Politics in a Depoliticized Society: Social Change and Political Deactivation in Chile' *Bulletin of Latin American Research*, Vol. 23, No1,pp.63-78

37. Siavelis, P M. 2000. "Socioeconomic and Political Change and Continuity": Chile in the 1990s," in Siavelis, *The President and Congress in Post-Authoritarian Chile*, (University Park: The Pennsylvania State University Press), pp.71-108.

WEEK XI. Venezuela

38. * Levine, D.I.H. and B. F Crisp. 1999. "Venezuela: The Character, Crisis, and Possible Future of Democracy," in L. Diamond et al eds., *Democracy in Developing Countries: Latin America*. pp.367-420.

39. * Hawkins, K. 2003. "Populism in Venezuela: the Rise of Chavismo" *Third World Quarterly*, Vol.24, No.6.pp.1137-1160.

40. Levine, D. H. 2006 'Civil Society and Political Decay in Venezuela' R. Feinberg et al. *Civil Society and Democracy in Latin America*, 169-190.

WEEK XII. Peru (and brief presentations of term papers in progress)

41. * McClintock, C.1999. "Peru: Precarious Regimes, Authoritarian and Democratic," in L. Diamond et. al eds., *Democracy in Developing Countries: Latin America* (2nd ed.), (Boulder: Lynne Rienner), pp.309- 337.

42. *Barr R. R. 2003. 'The Persistence of Neopopulism in Peru? From Fujimori to Toledo' *Third World Quarterly*, 24 (6) 1161-1178.

MOVIES:

Missing,

The Revolution Will Not be Televised.