

HIUS 167—Spring 2011
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TOPICS IN MEXICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND HISTORIOGRAPHY

Over the past half century, the historiography of the Mexican-origin and pan-Latino populations of United States has experienced a dramatic transformation. In this class, we will explore the effects of global economic restructuring, massive demographic change, and the shifting terrain of social thought and political ideology on the production of critical historical scholarship on Chicana/os, mexicana/os, and Latina/os in the United States, paying special attention to changes over the past four decades.

READING

Gloria Anzaldúa, *Borderlands/La Frontera: The New Mestiza*, 3rd ed. (San Francisco: Aunt Lute Press, 2007).

Catherine Ramírez, *The Woman in the Zoot-Suit: Gender, Nationalism, and the Cultural Politics of Memory* (Durham: Duke University Press, 2009)

Alicia Schmidt Camacho, *Migrant Imaginaries: Latino Cultural Politics in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands* (New York: New York University Press, 2008).

All other readings are available online through the Roger Catalogue of UCSD Libraries.

WEEK 01 (Mar. 31)—COURSE INTRO

WEEK 02 (Apr. 07)—FOUNDATIONAL DEBATES

READ: Rodolfo Alvarez, “The Psycho-Historical and Socioeconomic Development of the Chicano Community in the United States,” *Social Science Quarterly* 53 (March 1973): 920-42; Juan Gómez-Quiñones, “Toward a Perspective on Chicano History,” *Aztlán: A Journal of Chicano Studies*, 2 (2) (Fall 1974): 1-49; Raymond A. Rocco, “The Chicano in the Social Sciences: Traditional Concepts, Myths, and Images,” *Aztlán* 1 (2) (Fall 1970): 75-97; Tomás Almaguer, “Toward the Study of Chicano Colonialism,” *Aztlán* 2 (1) (Spring 1971): 7-21; Tomás Almaguer, “Historical Notes on Chicano Oppression: The Dialectics of Racial and Class Domination in North América,” *Aztlán* 5 (1) (Spring and Fall 1974): 27-56; Gilbert G. González and Raúl F. Fernández, “Chicano History: Transcending Cultural Models,” *Pacific Historical Review* 63 (4) (1994): 469-97.

SEE ALSO: David G. Gutiérrez, “Introduction—Demography and the Shifting Boundaries of ‘Community’: Reflections on ‘U.S. Latinos’ and the Evolution of Latino

Studies since the 1960s,” in *The Columbia History of Latinos in the United States since 1960*, ed. David G. Gutiérrez (New York: Columbia University Press, 2004): 1-42.

WEEK 03 (Apr. 14)—SHIFTING ETHNIC POLITICS IN THE 20TH CENTURY: THE DEBATE OVER INTEGRATION AND “ASSIMILATION”

READ: Natalia Molina, “‘In a Race All Their Own’: The Quest to Make Mexicans Ineligible for U.S. Citizenship,” *Pacific Historical Review* 79 (2) (2010): 167-201; Carlos Blanton, “George I. Sánchez, Ideology, and Whiteness in the Making of the Mexican American Civil Rights Movement, 1930-1960” *Journal of Southern History* 72 (August 2006): 569-604; Richard R. Valencia, “The Mexican American Struggle for Equal Educational Opportunity in *Mendez v. Westminster*: Helping to Pave the Way for *Brown v. Board of Education*” *Teachers College Record* 107 (30) (2005): 389-423; Maria Josefina Saldaña-Portillo, “How Many Mexicans [Is] a Horse Worth? The League of United Latin American Citizens, Desegregation Cases and Chicano Historiography,” *South Atlantic Quarterly* 107 (4) (2008): 809-31; Steven H. Wilson and Ariela Gross, “Brown Over ‘Other White’: Mexican Americans’ Legal Arguments and Litigation Strategy in School Desegregation Lawsuits,” *Law and History Review* 21 (1) (Spring 2003): 145-94; Mónica G. Moreno Figueroa, “Distributed Intensities: Whiteness, *Mestizaje* and the Logic of Mexican Racism,” *Ethnicities* 10 (3) (2010): 387-401.

Week 4 (April 21)—LABOR AND THE RADICAL TRADITION

Read: Phil Mellinger, “The Men Have Become Organizers”: Labor Conflict and Unionization in the Mexican Mining Communities of Arizona, 1900-1915,” *Western Historical Quarterly* 23 (3) (Fall 1992): 323-47; Tomás Almaguer, Racial Domination and Class Conflict in Capitalist Agriculture: The Oxnard Sugar Beet Workers’ Strike of 1903,” *Labor History* 25 (3) (Summer 1984): 325-50; Vicki L. Ruiz, “*Una Mujer Sin Fronteras*: Luisa Moreno and Latina Labor Activism,” *Pacific Historical Review* 73 (1) (2004): 1-20; Luisa Moreno, “Caravans of Sorrow” (1940, online); Jeffrey M. Garcilazo, “McCarthyism, Mexican Americans, the Los Angeles Committee for Protection of the Foreign Born, 1950-54,” *Western Historical Quarterly* 32 (3) (Autumn 2001): 273-95; David G. Gutiérrez, “‘Sin Fronteras?’ Chicanos, Mexican Americans, and the Emergence of the Contemporary Mexican Immigration Debate,” *Journal of American Ethnic History* 10 (4) (Summer 1991): 5-37; Janice Fine and Daniel J. Tichnor, “A Movement Wrestling: American Labor’s Enduring Struggle with Immigration, 1866-2007,” *Studies in American Political Development* 23 (1) (April 2009): 84-113.

WEEK 5 (Apr. 28)—DIMENSIONS OF CULTURE

READ: Richard Flores, “The Corrido and the Emergence of Texas-Mexican Social Identity,” *Journal of American Folklore* 105 (1992): 166-82; Manuel Peña, “Folklore, Machismo, and Everyday Practices: Writing Mexican Worker Culture,” *Western Folklore* 65 (1-2) (2006): 137-66; José Limón, “Carne, Carnales, and the Carnavalesque,” *American Ethnologist* 16 (3) (1994): 471-86; Catherine Ramírez, *The Woman in the Zoot-Suit: Gender, Nationalism, and the Cultural Politics of Memory* (Durham: Duke University Press, 2009).

WEEK 6 (May 5)—REVISITING THE CHICANO MOMENT

READ: *The Plan of Aztlán; The Plan of Santa Bárbara*; Ian F. Haney-López, “Protest, Repression, and Race: Legal Violence and the Chicano Movement,” *University of Pennsylvania Law Review* 150 (1) (Nov. 2001): 205-44; Ignacio M. García, “Juncture in the Road: Chicano Studies since ‘El Plan de Santa Bárbara,’” in *Chicanas/Chicanos at the Crossroads: Social, Economic, and Political Change*, ed. David R. Maciel and Isidro D. Ortiz (Tucson: University of Arizona Press, 1996): 181-203; Armando Navarro, “The Post-Mortem Politics of the Chicano Movement, 1976-1996,” *Perspectives in Mexican American Studies* 6 (1997): 52-79; Benjamin Marquez and Rodolfo Espino, “Mexican American Support for Third Parties: The Case of La Raza Unida,” *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 33 (2) (Feb. 2010): 290-312; Dionne Espinosa, “‘Revolutionary Sisters’: Women’s Solidarity and Collective Identification among Chicano Brown Berets in East Los Angeles,” *Aztlán* 26 (1) (2001): 17-58; Laura Pulido, “Race, Class, and Political Activism: Black, Chicana/o and Japanese-American Leftists in Southern California, 1968-1978,” *Antipode* 34 (40) (2002): 762-88; Wendy Jepson, “Spaces of Labor Activism, Mexican American Women, and the Farm Worker Movement in South Texas since 1966,” *Antipode* 37 (4) (Sept. 2005): 679-702.

WEEK 7 (May 12)—GENDER AND GENDERED CRITIQUES

READ: Ramón A. Gutiérrez, “Honor Ideology, Marriage Negotiation, and Class Gender Domination in New Mexico, 1690-1846,” *Latin American Perspectives* 12 (Winter 1985): 81-104; Alma M. García, “The Development of Chicana Feminist Discourse, 1970-1980,” *Gender and Society* 3 (2) (1989): 217-38; Ramón A. Gutiérrez, “Community, Patriarchy and Individualism: The Politics of Chicano History and the Dream of Equality,” *American Quarterly* 45 (1993): 44-72; Gloria Anzaldúa, *Borderlands/La Frontera: The New Mestiza*, 3rd ed., (San Francisco: Aunt Lute, 2007): chapters 1-7.

WEEK 8 (May 19)—NEOLIBERALISM AND THE IMPLICATIONS OF MIGRATION AND REGIONAL ECONOMIC INTEGRATION

READ: David Harvey, “Neoliberalism as Creative Destruction,” *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 610 (1) (Mar. 2007): 21-44; Patricia Fernández-Kelly and Douglas S. Massey, “Borders for Whom? The Role of NAFTA in Mexico-U.S. Migration,” in *Ibid*: 98-118; Raúl Delgado Wise and Humberto Márquez Covarrubias, “Capitalist Restructuring, Development and Labour Migration: The U.S.-Mexico Case,” *Third World Quarterly* 29 (7) (Oct. 2008): 1359-74; Donna Chollett, “From Sugar to Blackberries: Restructuring Agro-Export Production in Michoacán, Mexico,” *Latin American Perspectives* 36 (3) (May 2009): 79-92; Nicholas De Genova, “The Legal Production of Mexican/Migrant ‘Illegality,’” *Latino Studies* 2 (2) (July 2004): 160-85; William Kandell and Emilio A. Parrado, “Restructuring of the U.S. Meat Processing Industry and New Hispanic Migrant Destinations,” *Population and Development Review* 31 (3) (Sept. 2005): 447-71; Terrence W. Haverluk and Laurie D. Trautman, “The Changing Geography of U.S. Hispanics from 1996 to 2006,” *Journal of Geography* 107 (3) (May 2008): 87-101.

WEEK 9 (May 26)—CONTEMPORARY ISSUES IN CHICANO/LATINO STUDIES

READ: Horacio N. Roque Ramírez, “‘That’s My Place!’: Negotiating Racial, Sexual, and Gender Politics in San Francisco’s Gay Latino Alliance, 1975-1983,” *Journal of the History of Sexuality* 12 (20 (April 2003): 224-58; Nicholas de Genova, “The Legal Production of Mexican/Migrant ‘Illegality’,” *Latino Studies* 2 (2004): 160-85; Otto Santa Ana, “Did You Call in Mexican? The Racial Politics of Jay Leno Immigrant Jokes,” *Language in Society* 38 (1) (Feb. 2009): 23-45; Josiah Heyman, “U.S. Immigration Officers of Mexican Ancestry,” *Current Anthropology* 43 (3) (2002): 479-508; Douglas M. Massey and Fernando Riosmena, “Undocumented Migration from Latin America in an Era of Rising Enforcement,” *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* (630) (July 2010): 294-321; Lisa M. Martínez, “‘Flowers from the Same Soil’: Latino Solidarity in the Wake of the 2006 Immigrant Mobilization,” *American Behavioral Scientist* 52 (4) (Dec. 2008): 557-79.

WEEK 10 (June 2)--THE SHAPE OF THE FUTURE: “CHICANOS” AND THE SOCIO-POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS OF PAN-LATINO DIVERSITY

READ: Alicia Schmidt Camacho, *Migrant Imaginaries: Latino Cultural Politics in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands* (New York: New York University Press, 2008).