HILA 268: Latin America in the Nineteenth Century (a graduate seminar)

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Thursday 1-4 p.m., Ruiz Room

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Office hours: Thursday, 4-6 p.m., and by appointment

Readings/dates

10 January

Benedict Anderson, Imagined Communities

17 January

James C. Scott, Seeing Like a State

24 January

Eric Hobsbawm and Terence Ranger, The Invention of Tradition

31 January (Argentina)

Ariel de la Fuente, The Children of Facundo

7 February (Peru)

Cecilia Mendez, The Plebeian Republic

14 February (Mexico)

William Beezley, Mexican National Identity

21 February (Mexico)

Raymond Craib, Cartographic Mexico

28 February (Spanish American in general)

Rebecca Earle, The Return of the Native

7 March (Colombia)

James Sanders, Contentious Republicans

14 March (Latin America in general)

Carlos Forment, Democracy in Latin America

(N.B.: This book is available only in hardback and is therefore too expensive to assign for purchase; a Xerox copy will be made available from which students may make their own copies individually)

All the books (except Forment) should be available for purchase in the UCSD Bookstore, and will be on reserve in the Geisel Library.

Robust participation in seminar discussions is expected of all participants in the class, and will be evaluated as part of the final grade.

The major work of the class will be an essay (the nature of which is yet to be determined) of at least 20 pages, due **no later** than Wednesday 20 March. In addition, five (5) weekly response papers will be expected of every student, due in alternate weeks (i.e., weeks 1,3,5,7,9 or 2,4,6,8,10), the schedule to be determined in class.

Seminar participants should come prepared to discuss the Benedict Anderson book at the first meeting of the class on 10 January. Professor Van Young will supply wine and cookies; other refreshments are local option.