HIST 3370-110, Colonial Latin America

Spring 2023
Texas A&M University-Central Texas

COURSE DATES, MODALITY, AND LOCATION

January 17th to May 12th, 2023
This is a 100% online course, and uses the A&M-Central Texas Canvas Learning Management System [https://tamuct.instructure.com/].

INSTRUCTOR AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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Office Hours
By Appointment

Student-instructor interaction

Email is the best way to reach me. I check email daily during the week. Please reach out to me again if you do not hear back within 48 hours.

Emergency Warning System for Texas A&M University-Central Texas
SafeZone provides a public safety application that gives you the ability to call for help with the push of a button. It also provides Texas A&M University-Central Texas the ability to communicate emergency information quickly via push notifications, email, and text messages. All students automatically receive email and text messages via their myCT accounts.

Downloading SafeZone allows access to push notifications and enables you to connect directly for help through the app.
You can download SafeZone from the app store and use your myCT credentials to log in. If you would like more information, you can visit the SafeZone website [www.safezoneapp.com].

To register SafeZone on your phone, please follow these 3 easy steps:

1. Download the SafeZone App from your phone store using the link below:
   - iPhone/iPad: [https://apps.apple.com/app/safezone/id533054756]

   - Launch the app and enter your myCT email address (e.g. {name}@tamuct.edu)
   - Complete your profile and accept the terms of service

For updates on COVID information, please monitor the University website [https://www.tamuct.edu/covid19/]

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Overview and description
Examine the exploration and colonization of the Spanish and Portuguese dominions in South and Central America, including political history of the colonies, the church and colonial institutions, commercial systems of Spain and Portugal, expansion into the North American borderlands, and early independence movements.

Course Objective or Goal

Student Learning Outcomes

- To draw connections between the past and the present.
- To understand historical debates.
- To work with primary documents and develop an understanding of how historians use documents to interpret the past.
- To critically analyze a historical text.
• To write clear and coherent essays that develop a historical argument.

**Required Reading and Textbook(s)**


• Landers, Jane G. and Barry M. Robinson, Slaves, Subjects, and Subversives: Blacks in Colonial Latin America. University of New Mexico Press

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

Grades will be determined on the following basis:

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**Important Reminder**

**NO LATE PAPERS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNLESS EXCUSED.**

Please see the Canvas course’s page for each assignment for greater assignment details. Below are the basic requirements for all assignments in the course.

**Review Papers**

For both the book review of Seven Myths and the Chapter reviews of Slaves, Subjects, and Subversives I expect at least a 1000 word essay double-spaced and in Turabian Format. The essay should have a cover page with your name, date, class, and title on it. Your papers must abide by the Turabian Style Guide.

For the Book Review, you will be reviewing Seven Myths of the Spanish Conquest. For the first chapter review, you will pick one chapter from chapters 1 -5 in Slaves, Subjects, and Subversives. For the second chapter review you will pick a chapter from chapters 6-9 in the same book.

A review essay is not just a book report, or a chapter report. It is a critical analysis of the material you are reading. You should write what the reading is about, but you also need to critique it. How does it compare to what we have learned in class? How does it compare to what we have learned from our other resources? Is the author bias? What are the limitations of his or her study? All of these questions would be excellent topics to write about in a review essay. Of course with the chapters you will be able to go into depth a little more since they are shorter, but I do expect to see detail and examples in all of your essays.

**Online Participation**
Each unit will have a set of questions that will be discussed on the Canvas course site. Make sure to post to EACH topic. This is a writing exercise, so please proofread your posts and use correct grammar. All posts should be at least 250 words long. Please use Turabian formatting when citing and quoting outside sources. Each topic will have a due date listed. Only posts made before the due date will be accepted.

In each topic students are required to answer the prompts I have asked by the first due date of the unit. (See calendar and the course content for specific due dates) Then students must respond to two different classmate's posts. For example, Do you agree with them? Why or why not? What sources and examples can you bring in to support your position? These posts should be substantial and at least 200 words long.

The idea here is to get to know your classmates and to practice your writing and communication skills. Have fun, be provocative, but please be considerate of your peers.

**Midterm and Final Exams**

The final exam will contain short answer and essay questions. To prepare for the exam, please take thorough notes while reading your textbooks, any other assigned course materials throughout the course, and while watching the mini-lectures throughout the course. Some portions of the final will be comprehensive.

**Grading Criteria Rubric and Conversion**

Final Grades will be determined based upon the following scale:

- **A** = 900-1000 points
- **B** = 800-899 points
- **C** = 700-799 points
- **D** = 600-699 points
- **F** = Below 600 points

Please see Canvas course for specific rubrics. It is encouraged that students read any provided rubrics before starting their assignments so that they know all aspects that they will be graded on.

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**Posting of Grades**

Grades for each assignment will be posted on Canvas in the gradebook section. Feedback for written work will be accessible in the same location.

**Grading Policies**

**Unexcused/Late Work or Absences from Exams:**

The only valid excuses for missing an exam or failing to turn in a paper or homework on time are illnesses requiring medical care, required university activities, religious holidays, or a personal emergency of a serious nature. To be excused without penalty, documentation is required. In certain other circumstances, I will allow you to turn in an assignment early or take an exam in advance, but you must email as soon as possible. Do not wait until the last possible minute.

**Academic Integrity:**

Any work determined to be plagiarism, or any academic integrity violation will earn a ZERO grade for the assignment. No plagiarized assignment may be rewritten for any amount of credit. Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. You must follow to honesty codes set forth in the student handbook. Plagiarism is a serious offense. This or any other violation of the university’s Code of Student Conduct can result in penalties that can include up to an F in the class and expulsion from the university. For the official definition of what constitutes plagiarism, see the Student Handbook. Refer to the university’s Academic Integrity policies below for further consequences of plagiarism.
COURSE OUTLINE AND CALENDAR

Complete Course Calendar

Weeks begin on Mondays and end on Sunday at 11:59PM CST. All due times are 11:59PM CST the day they are due. Technical difficulties within the last few hours before a deadline are not acceptable reasons for turning in a paper late. Students have all due dates long in advance and should plan accordingly.

-THE MOST UPDATED SCHEDULE AND READINGS WILL BE IN THE CANVAS MODULES-

1/17 Week 1 Introduction and Syllabus / Pre Columbian America.
Reading Assignment: Burkholder Chapter 1 & Begin reading Restall

1/23 Week 2 Pre-Contact Africa, Early Spain / Reconquista
Reading Assignment: Burkholder Chapter 1

Unit 1 First Discussion Post Due 1/29 by 11:59PM CST

1/30 Week 3 Navigation, Contact

Unit 1 Discussion Due 2/5 by 11:59PM CST

2/6 Week 4 Caribbean Conquest, Mexico, and Peru
Reading Assignment: Burkholder Chapter 2

Restall Review due 2/12 by 11:59PM CST

2/13 Week 5 Conquest of Mexico, and Peru, cont.
Recommended Reading: Landers Chapter 1

2/20 Week 6 Three cultures collide
Recommended Reading: Landers Chapter 2

2/27 Week 7 Three cultures collide, cont...
Reading Assignment: Landers Chapter 3

Unit 2 First post of Discussion Due 3/5 by 11:59PM CST

3/6 Week 8 Imperial Administration
Reading Assignment: Burkholder Chapter 3, Landers Chapter 4

Unit 2 Discussion Due 3/12 by 11:59PM CST

3/13 Week 9 - Transition Week – SPRING BREAK

-MIDTERM OPENS IN WEEK 8, DUE IN WEEK 9 END OF WEEK (3/26) AT 11:59PM CST-
3/27 Week 10 The Church / Labor
Reading Assignment: Burkholder Chapter 4+5, Landers Chapter 5

4/3 Week 11 African Slavery, Demographics of empire
Reading Assignments: Burkholder Chapter 6+7
Unit 3 First post of Discussion Due 4/9 by 11:59PM CST
Landers First Chapter Review due 4/9 by 11:59PM CST

4/10 Week 12 Challenges to empire, domestic and foreign
Reading Assignment: Burkholder Chapter 8, Landers Chapter 6
Unit 3 Discussion Due 4/16 by 11:59PM CST

4/17 Week 13 Bourbon Reforms
Reading Assignment: Burkholder Chapter 9, Landers Chapter 7

4/24 Week 14 Imperial Crisis
Reading Assignment: Burkholder Chapter 10, Landers Chapter 8
Unit 4 First post of Discussion Due 4/30 by 11:59PM CST
Landers Second Chapter Review due 4/30 by 11:59PM CST

5/1 Week 15 Early Revolutions
Reading Assignment: Burkholder Chapter 11, Landers Chapter 1
Unit 4 Discussion Due 5/7 by 11:59PM CST

5/8 Week 16 Revolutions revisited, Final Thoughts, Exam
This week ends on Friday 5/12 – the Final is required to be finished no later than 11:59PM CST.

Important University Dates
November 4, 2022 Deadline to Drop 16-Week Classes with a Quit (Q) or Withdraw (W)

Formatting

All written assignments (non-exam or quiz assignments) must comply with the following formatting guidelines. Writing assignments are due at 11:59PM CST on the due date and must be submitted through the appropriate dropbox for the assignment on Canvas. Writing assignments will not be accepted through email.

Your papers must be 12 pt. font in Times New Roman and double-spaced lines. The header of your paper should be single-spaced and in the following format:
Your Name
Paper, HIS 3310
Instructor Daniel Vogel
jane123@yahoo.com
Due Date

Your paper should have 1” margins on the top and bottom and 1.25” margins on the left right margins. Evidence must be cited using footnotes in Turabian format. Use of alternate forms of citation, such as the MLA format, is not acceptable. If you have questions about the proper format of your essay, please email me.

The essay/biography must include evidence from the text/sources, and you must cite that evidence using footnotes. Use the following examples as models:

First citation:


Subsequent citations:

5 Young, *The Shoemaker and the Tea Party,* 74.

**TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS AND SUPPORT**

Technology Requirements

This course will use the A&M-Central Texas Instructure Canvas learning management system. We strongly recommend the latest versions of Chrome or Firefox browsers. Canvas no longer supports any version of Internet Explorer.

Logon to A&M-Central Texas Canvas [https://tamuct.instructure.com/] or access Canvas through the TAMUCT Online link in myCT [https://tamuct.onecampus.com/]. You will log in through our Microsoft portal.

Username: Your MyCT email address. Password: Your MyCT password

Canvas Support

Use the Canvas Help link, located at the bottom of the left-hand menu, for issues with Canvas. You can select “Chat with Canvas Support,” submit a support request through “Report a Problem,” or call the Canvas support line: 1-844-757-0953.

For issues related to course content and requirements, contact your instructor.

Online Proctored Testing

A&M-Central Texas uses Proctorio for online identity verification and proctored testing. This service is provided at no direct cost to students. If the course requires identity verification or proctored testing, the technology requirements are: Any computer meeting the minimum computing requirements, plus web camera, speaker, and microphone (or headset). Proctorio also requires the Chrome web browser with their custom plug in.

Other Technology Support

For log-in problems, students should contact Help Desk Central, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Email: helpdesk@tamu.edu
Phone: (254) 519-5466
Web Chat: [http://hdc.tamu.edu](http://hdc.tamu.edu)

*Please let the support technician know you are an A&M-Central Texas student.*

**UNIVERSITY RESOURCES, PROCEDURES, AND GUIDELINES**

**Academic Accommodations**

At Texas A&M University-Central Texas, we value an inclusive learning environment where every student has an equal chance to succeed and has the right to a barrier-free education. The Warrior Center for Student Success, Equity and Inclusion is responsible for ensuring that students with a disability receive equal access to the
university’s programs, services and activities. If you believe you have a disability requiring reasonable accommodations, please contact the Office of Access and Inclusion, WI-212, or call (254) 501-5836. Any information you provide is private and confidential and will be treated as such.

For more information, please visit our Access & Inclusion Canvas page (log-in required) [https://tamuct.instructure.com/courses/717]

Academic Integrity

Texas A&M University-Central Texas values the integrity of the academic enterprise and strives for the highest standards of academic conduct. A&M-Central Texas expects its students, faculty, and staff to support the adherence to high standards of personal and scholarly conduct to preserve the honor and integrity of the creative community. Any deviation by students from this expectation may result in a failing grade for the assignment and potentially a failing grade for the course. All academic misconduct concerns will be referred to the Office of Student Conduct. When in doubt on collaboration, citation, or any issue, please contact your instructor before taking a course of action.

For more information regarding the student conduct process, [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/student-conduct.html].

If you know of potential honor violations by other students, you may submit a referral, [https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?TAMUCentralTexas&layout_id=0].

Drop Policy

If you discover that you need to drop this class, you must complete the Drop Request Dynamic Form through Warrior Web.


Faculty cannot drop students; this is always the responsibility of the student. The Registrar’s Office will provide a deadline on the Academic Calendar for which the form must be completed. Once you submit the completed form to the Registrar’s Office, you must go into Warrior Web and confirm that you are no longer enrolled. If you still show as enrolled, FOLLOW-UP with the Registrar’s Office immediately. You are to attend class until the procedure is complete to avoid penalty for absence. Should you miss the drop deadline or fail to follow the procedure, you will receive an “F” in the course, which may affect your financial aid and/or VA educational benefits.

Important information for Pregnant and/or Parenting Students

Texas A&M University-Central Texas supports students who are pregnant, experiencing pregnancy-related conditions, and/or parenting. In accordance with requirements of Title IX and related guidance from US Department of Education’s Office of Civil Rights, the Dean of Student Affairs’ Office can assist students who are pregnant and/or parenting in seeking accommodations related to pregnancy and/or parenting. Students should seek out assistance as early in the pregnancy as possible. For more information, please visit Student Affairs [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/pregnant-and-parenting-students.html]. Students may also contact the institution’s Title IX Coordinator. If you would like to read more about these requirements and guidelines online, please visit the website [http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/pregnancy.pdf].

Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex and gender—including pregnancy, parenting, and all related conditions. A&M-Central Texas is able to provide flexible and individualized reasonable accommodation to pregnant and parenting students. All pregnant and parenting students should contact the Associate Dean in the Division of Student Affairs at (254) 501-5909 to seek out assistance. Students may also contact the University’s Title IX Coordinator.

Tutoring

Tutoring is available to all A&M-Central Texas students, both virtually and in-person. Student success coaching is available online upon request.

If you have a question, are interested in becoming a tutor, or in need of success coaching contact the Warrior Center for Student Success, Equity and Inclusion at (254) 501-5836, visit the Warrior Center at 212 Warrior Hall, or by emailing WarriorCenter@tamuct.edu.

To schedule tutoring sessions and view tutor availability, please visit Tutor Matching Services [https://tutormatchingservice.com/TAMUCT] or visit the Tutoring Center in 111 Warrior Hall.

Chat live with a remote tutor 24/7 for almost any subject from on your computer! Tutor.com is an online tutoring platform that enables A&M-Central Texas students to log in and receive online tutoring support at no additional cost. This tool provides tutoring in over 40 subject areas except writing support. Access Tutor.com through Canvas.

University Library & Archives

The University Library & Archives provides many services in support of research across campus and at a distance. We offer over 200 electronic databases containing approximately 400,000 eBooks and 82,000 journals, in addition to the 96,000 items in our print collection, which can be mailed to students who live more than 50 miles from campus. Research guides for each subject taught at A&M-Central Texas are available through our website to help students navigate these resources. On campus, the library offers technology including cameras, laptops, microphones, webcams, and digital sound recorders.

Research assistance from a librarian is also available 24 hours a day through our online chat service, and at the reference desk when the library is open. Research sessions can be scheduled for more comprehensive assistance, and may take place virtually through WebEx, Microsoft Teams or in-person at the library. Schedule an appointment here [https://tamuct.libcal.com/appointments/?g=6956]. Assistance may cover many topics, including how to find articles in peer-reviewed journals, how to cite resources, and how to piece together research for written assignments.

Our 27,000-square-foot facility on the A&M-Central Texas main campus includes student lounges, private study rooms, group work spaces, computer labs, family areas suitable for all ages, and many other features. Services such as interlibrary loan, TexShare, binding, and laminating are available. The library frequently offers workshops, tours, readings, and other events. For more information, please visit our Library website [http://tamuct.libguides.com/index].

University Writing Center

University Writing Center: Located in Warrior Hall 416, the University Writing Center (UWC) at Texas A&M University–Central Texas (A&M–Central Texas) is a free service open to all A&M–Central Texas students. The hours of operation are from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday thru Thursday in Warrior Hall 416 (with online tutoring available every hour as well) with satellite hours available online only Monday thru Thursday from 6:00-9:00 p.m. and Saturday 12:00-3:00 p.m.
Tutors are prepared to help writers of all levels and abilities at any stage of the writing process. While tutors will not write, edit, or grade papers, they will assist students in developing more effective composing practices. By providing a practice audience for students’ ideas and writing, our tutors highlight the ways in which they read and interpret students’ texts, offering guidance and support throughout the various stages of the writing process. In addition, students may work independently in the UWC by checking out a laptop that runs the Microsoft Office suite and connects to WIFI, or by consulting our resources on writing, including all of the relevant style guides. Whether you need help brainstorming ideas, organizing an essay, proofreading, understanding proper citation practices, or just want a quiet place to work, the UWC is here to help!

Students may arrange a one-to-one session with a trained and experienced writing tutor by making an appointment via WCOnline [https://tamuct.mywconline.com/]. In addition, you can email Dr. Bruce Bowles Jr. at bruce.bowles@tamuct.edu if you have any questions about the UWC, need any assistance with scheduling, or would like to schedule a recurring appointment with your favorite tutor.

**OPTIONAL POLICY STATEMENTS**

**A Note about Sexual Violence at A&M-Central Texas**

Sexual violence is a serious safety, social justice, and public health issue. The university offers support for anyone struggling with these issues. University faculty are mandated reporters, so if someone discloses that they were sexually assaulted (or a victim of Domestic/Dating Violence or Stalking) while a student at TAMUCT, faculty members are required to inform the Title IX Office. If you want to discuss any of these issues confidentially, you can do so through Student Wellness and Counseling (254-501-5955) located on the second floor of Warrior Hall (207L).

Sexual violence can occur on our campus because predators often feel emboldened, and victims often feel silenced or shamed. It is incumbent on ALL of us to find ways to actively create environments that tell predators we don’t agree with their behaviors and tell survivors we will support them. Your actions matter. Don’t be a bystander; be an agent of change. For additional information on campus policy and resources visit the Title IX webpage [https://www.tamuct.edu/compliance/titleix.html].

**Behavioral Intervention**

Texas A&M University-Central Texas cares about the safety, health, and well-being of its students, faculty, staff, and community. If you are aware of individuals for whom you have a concern, please make a referral to the Behavioral Intervention Team. Referring your concern shows you care. You can complete the referral online [https://cm.maxient.com/reportingform.php?TAMUCentralTexas&layout_id=2].

Anonymous referrals are accepted. Please see the Behavioral Intervention Team website for more information [https://www.tamuct.edu/bit]. If a person’s behavior poses an imminent threat to you or another, contact 911 or A&M-Central Texas University Police at 254-501-5805.

**OTHER POLICIES**

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