

LATIN AMERICAN READING LIST: M.A. in Spanish CSULB
Effective for all incoming classes admitted Fall 2009 and Spring 2017.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS TO THE LIST

A. BEFORE STARTING TO STUDY

1. PLEASE READ THE RESOURCES SECTION AT THE END OF THE READING LIST
2. PLEASE DOWNLOAD THE "M.A. EXAM ADVICE" DOCUMENT FROM THE SPANISH M.A. WEBSITE. READ THE DOCUMENT. FOLLOW THE ADVICE GIVEN THERE

B. EXAM DESCRIPTION

1. THE EXAM CONSISTS OF THREE SECTIONS

- ____ Cortés, Hernán *Cartas de relación* Read: “La segunda carta de relación.”
- ____ Díaz del Castillo, Bernal *Verdadera Historia de la conquista de Nueva España*

Hernández, José Martín Fierro (Primera Parte).

Select three (3):

- Gómez de Avellaneda, Gertrudis, Sab, and Autobiografía
- Matto de Turner, Clorinda, Aves sin nido
- Merlin, Mercedes, Viaje a la Habana
- Gorriti, Juana Manuel, Peregrinaciones de una alma triste.
- Cabello de Carbonera, Mercedes, Blanca Sol
- Blest Gana, Alberto, Martín Rivas
- Isaacs, Jorge, María.
- Cambaceres, Eugenio, Sin rumbo.

Read both texts:

- Martí, José "Nuestra América."
- Darío, Rubén "Era un aire suave", "Lo fatal."

III. Siglo XX

Most works are studied in Spanish 541, 543, 560, 592, 593, and 640.

Faculty: Del Campo, Martín, Palacios.

Overview

It is expected that the student will be able to contextualize literary production within appropriate sociocultural and historical frameworks from the twentieth century through today. In this development it is important to understand Latin American literature in relation to the development of the project of modernization that unfolds from the moment of the liberal paradigm of Latin American independence movements during the XIX century. Central themes expressed by literature are: modernity/traditions; centers vs. peripheries; the symbolic articulation of national identities; nationalist and revolutionary discourses; the problematization of the categories of class, gender, sex, and ethnicity.

Capitalism, socialism, neoliberalism and globalization comprise the broadest possible framework in which literary production might be situated. These transnational processes are expressed in Latin America through the Mexican and Cuban revolutions; and Peronismo, Allendismo, and the crisis of implementation of democracy, as well as by the military dictatorships of the 70s in the Southern Cone. All of these issues are important for literary production in Latin America. Twentieth and twenty-first century literature directly takes on topics such as writing and orality, the canon, the subaltern subject, women's literature, indigenismo and testimonio. Within the framework of globalization, literature begins to express the effects of the incorporation of new technologies and tendencies toward cultural homogeneity.

Poetry: Posmodernismo, Vanguardia, contemporánea:

Select one (1) author:

- Agustini, Delmira. "El intruso."

- Mistral, Gabriela. "Los sot~~os~~ de la muerte" + "Pan."
 Storni, Alfonsina. "Hombre pequeño" + "Tu me quieres blanca."

Select one (1) author:

- Huidobro, Vicente Altazor. Cantos I & IV.
 Neruda, Pablo Residencia en la tierra (2 poems of your choice) Ganto general (one poem: "Alturas de Machu Picchu").
 Vallejo, César. Select two poems of this list heraldos negros Poemas humanos Trilce o España, aparta de mí este cáliz

Select one (1) author:

- Cardenal, Ernesto. "Aquí pasaba ~~en~~ por estas calles" or "Escucha mis palabras Oh señor. Salmo V" (Palabra virtual).
 Castellanos, Rosario. "Valium 1 (Selección de Voces)."
 Parra, Nicano Poemas y antipoemas ~~read~~ either "Autorretrato" or "Advertencia al lector" + "Manifiesto" or "Me retrato de todo lo dicho".
 Zurita, Raúl Purgatoria "A las inmaculadas llanuras (I)" (Palabra virtual).

Narrative

Realismo, Regionalismo, Novela de la tierra, Indigenismo, Cuento (4 authors total)

Select three (3) authors:

- Arguedas, José María Los ríos profundos.
 Azuela, Mariano Los de abajo
 Gallegos, Rómulo Doña Bárbara.
 Güiraldes, Ricardo Don Segundo Sombra
 Icaza, Jorge Huasipungo.
 Ribera, José La vorágine

Select one (1) author:

- Borges, Jorge Luis. Ficciones and El Aleph "El sur" + "La muerte y la brújula."
 Cortázar, Julio. "La noche boca arriba" + "Axolotl."
 Quiroga, Horacio Cuentos de amor, de locura y de muerte "El hijo" + "La gallina degollada."

Nueva novela (3 authors)

Select three (3) authors:

- Asturias, Miguel Ángel Señor Presidente
 Bombal, María Luisa La amortajada
 Carpentier, Alejo Ecue yambay OR Los pasos perdidos and la introducción a El reino de este mundo
 Castellanos, Rosario Balún Canán
 García Márquez, Gabriel Cien años de soledad
 Rulfo, Juan Pedro Páramo.

Pratt Mary Louise. Imperial Eyes. Travel Writing and Transculturation

Ensayo

Paz, Octavio El laberinto de la soledad "Todos santos día de muertos" (Selección de Voces). Carlos Monsiváis. (Selección de Skirius).

Testimonio

Beverley, John Testimonio: on the politics of truth Minneapolis : University of Minnesota Press, 2004.

Cine

John King. Magical Reels: