

Latin America and the Cold War

Module Information

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Summary Information

Module Code	7111IR
Formal Module Title	Latin America and the Cold War
Owning School	Humanities and Social Science
Career	Postgraduate Taught
Credits	20
Academic level	FHEQ Level 7
Grading Schema	50

Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery	
Humanities and Social Science	

Learning Methods

Learning Method Type	Hours
Workshop	22

Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
JAN-MTP	МТР	January	12 Weeks

Aims and Outcomes

Aims	To provide students with an understanding of the impact of the Cold War in Latin America. To enable students to understand the intersection between domestic and international dynamics across different countries in Latin America. To enable students to think beyond traditional approaches to the 'bipolar conflict' associated with the Cold War.	
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After completing the module the student should be able to:

Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Demonstrate a deep and systematic understanding of the domestic and international dynamics of the Cold War in Latin America.
MLO2	2	Critically analyse source material relating to the Cold War in Latin America.
MLO3	3	Synthesise themes, debates, and approaches in a sophisticated and coherent manner

Module Content

Outline Syllabus	The Cold War in Latin America was far from being cold. This module will trace the impact of the Cold War on the region, between the 1940s and 1990s, with particular attention paid to the intersection and interaction between domestic and international dynamics. A country case study approach will highlight the complexity of Cold War tensions as well as to illustrate the scale and extent of its impact. For example, topics may include: revolutionary change and US intervention in Guatemala and Bolivia; Cuban policy in Africa; Soviet-Cuban relations; the emergence of the National Security Doctrine in Chile and Argentina; civil war in Central America. Whilst the module will examine how the bipolarity of the Cold War – between the capitalist West and communist East – played out on a Latin American stage, it will also incorporate more recent developments in the historiography. Such analysis argues, instead, for the importance of an Inter-American Cold War which looks beyond the conflict between Moscow and Washington. Weaving local, regional, and global factors in shaping the experience of Latin America during the Cold War, this module will be both multinational and international in its approach.
Module Overview	
Additional Information	The Portfolio will consist of three 700 word critical summaries which synthesise the key themes, debates, and interpretations on any given week.

Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Portfolio	3 x 700 words Portfolio	50	0	MLO3
Essay	2400 word Research Essay	50	0	MLO1, MLO2

Module Contacts

Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Olivia Saunders	Yes	N/A

Partner Module Team

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings