



CENTER FOR LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

# NEWSLETTER

FALL 2020

## UTES IN THE NEWS:

Student Spotlight:

### **PAOLA CERVANTES '22**

**Majors:** International Studies, Political Science and Latin American Studies

**Language:** Portuguese

Paola is a first-generation student originally from Mexico who has taken every opportunity to succeed. She decided to study LAS while taking a Politics of Mexico course because she felt it was important to know her history and culture. In 2018, she was awarded the SLC Youth of the Year, and in 2020, was awarded Sophomore Rising Professional.

Read about more featured students [here](#).



New Faculty:

### **DAVID DE MICHELI**

The Center for Latin American Studies (CLAS) is pleased to welcome David De Micheli to the University of Utah. This year Professor De Micheli joined the faculty in the Department of Political Science and in the Division of Ethnic Studies. His research explores issues of identity politics, inequality and citizenship, with a focus on Brazil and Latin America. To learn more about Professor De Micheli and read his work, visit his [website](#).



Featured Faculty:

### **LAURA GAMBOA**

The Center for Latin American Studies would like to also welcome Laura Gamboa to the University of Utah. Professor Gamboa is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Political Science. Professor Gamboa's research focuses on political institutions, democratization and regime change in Latin America, with a focus on Colombia and Venezuela. Visit Professor Gamboa's [website](#) to learn more about her work.





## EVENTS

### Latin American Studies MA Program Virtual Information Session

Nov. 20 | 1:00-2:00 p.m.

### 2020 Graduate Field Research Presentations: Come celebrate the exciting work students are conducting across Latin America!

Nov. 20 | 2:00-4:00p.m.

### Covid Series: Impacts of Covid in Asia and Latin America

More info [here](#)



## DEADLINES

### Foreign Language and Area Studies Scholarship

January 29, 2021

More info [here](#)

### Latin American Studies MA

February 1, 2021

More info [here](#)

### Hinckley Internship Local, Summer 2021

February 15, 2021

More info [here](#)

### Hinckley Internship National, Summer 2021

January 15, 2021

More info [here](#)

### Hinckley Internship Global, Fall 2021

January 15, 2021

More info [here](#)

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become available.

## FOR STUDENTS:

### Brazilian Club

Every other Friday, 3-4 p.m.

Visit the Brazilian Club on  
[Instagram](#) to stay up to  
date on events

### Nahuatl Zanilitzli (Nahautl Club)

Fridays, 10 a.m.

To receive the Zoom link,  
visit our [website](#)

## FOR ALUMNI:

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hiring

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## FEATURED CLASSES

The complete listing of Latin American Studies courses for Spring 2021 can be found on our [website](#).



### ARTH 6810: DECOLONIZING CULTURE

IVC | TuTh | 10:45am-12:05pm

Taught by Elena Shtromberg

This course will begin with the question: what does it mean to decolonize culture? Throughout the course we will read selections from the most important historical and contemporary voices examining decolonial, anticolonial and/or postcolonial thinking.



### HIST 1310: LATIN AMERICAN CIVILIZATION SINCE 1820S

Online

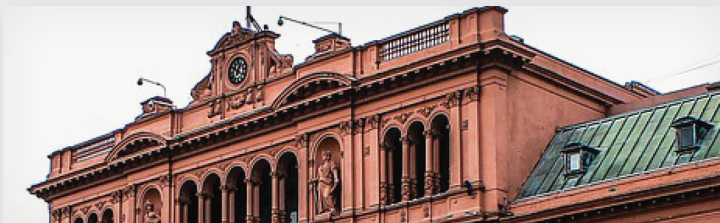
Taught by Dr. Rebecca Horn

This course introduces students to central themes in Latin American civilization from the movements for independence in the 1820s to the present.



**Spanish CLAC Section: HIST 4920**

Taught by Javier Campos



### POLS 5600: DEMOCRACY IN LATIN AMERICA

Mo/We | 11:50am-1:10pm

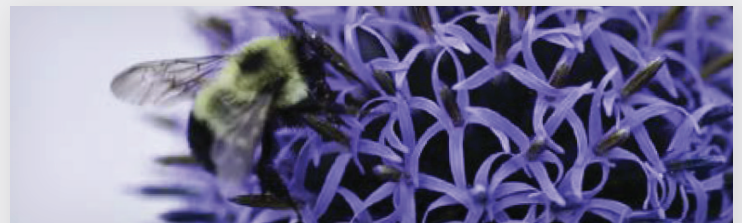
Taught by Dr. Laura Gamboa

This course examines the causes and consequences of democratization in Latin America, with a focus on comparing democratic systems in the region.



**Spanish CLAC Section: POLS 3960**

Taught by Chris Jensen



### ENVST 2050: INTRO TO ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY SCIENCE

IVC

Taught by Jennifer Shah

The goal for this class is to have students versed in the topics of ecology and sustainability, biodiversity, and earth resources and environmental quality.



**Spanish CLAC Section: ENVST 3810**

Taught by Blanca Yagüe

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