History 730
Pro-Seminar in Latin American History

THE TRANSITION FROM AUTHORITARIANISM TO DEMOCRACY IN ARGENTINA, BRAZIL, AND CHILE

Week #1: INTRODUCTORY SESSION

Week #2: THE REALITIES OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT

Reading:
- Genaro Arriagada, "Ideology and Politics in the South American Military: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, and Uruguay" (Wilson Center Working Paper #55, 1979), entire (33 pgs.)

Week #3: THE BREAKDOWN OF DEMOCRACY IN ARGENTINA, BRAZIL AND CHILE

Reading:
- Edward Gibson, Summary of four cases of democratic breakdown (26 pgs.):
  - "Argentina: 1955-1966: A Case of Aborted Legitimacy"
  - "Argentina: 1976: The Limits of Charismatic Authority"
  - "Brazil: 1964: The Failure of Popular Mobilization"
  - "Chile: 1973: Fragmentation of Political Center"
- Juan J. Linz, The Breakdown of Democratic Regimes: Crisis, Breakdown, and Reequilibration (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins Press, 1978), 3-13 and 99-103
- Arturo Valenzuela, The Breakdown of Democratic Regimes: Chile (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins Press, 1978), 50-110 and 120-133
Week #4: THE AUTHORITARIAN REGIMES: AN OVERVIEW

Reading:


Brian Loveman & Thomas M. Davies, Jr., eds., The Politics of Antipolitics: The Military in Latin America (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 1978), 173-180 and 190-207

Week #5: AUTHORITARIAN ARGENTINA

Reading:


Week #6: AUTHORITARIAN BRAZIL

Reading:

Bernardo Kucinski, Brazil: State and Struggle (London: Latin America Bureau, 1982), entire (101 pgs.)


Week #7: AUTHORITARIAN CHILE

Reading:

Phil O'Brien and Jackie Roddick, Chile: The Pinochet Decade: The Rise and Fall of the Chicago Boys (London: Latin America Bureau, 1983), entire (117 pgs.)

Week #8: THE ECONOMIC DIMENSION OF THESE AUTHORITARIAN REGIMES

Reading:

Albert O. Hirschman, "The Turn to Authoritarianism in Latin America and the Search for its Economic Determinants," in Collier, Authoritarianism, 61-98

José Serra, "Three Mistaken Theses Regarding the Connection between Industrialization and Authoritarian Regimes," in Ibid., 99-163


Hartlyn and Morley, "Bureaucratic-Authoritarian Regimes in Comparative Perspective," in Ibid., 38-53

Week #9: TOWARD A DEMOCRATIC ARGENTINA

Reading:

Phillip Mauceri, Summary on "Argentina: 1981-1985" (5 pgs.)

Gary Wynia, Argentina, reread the sections on the decline of the military regime and the transition to the Alfonsin government

Week #10: TOWARD A DEMOCRATIC BRAZIL

Reading:

Phillip Mauceri, Summary on "Brazil: 1974-1985" (5 pgs.)


Week #11: CHILE: ALWAYS THE EXCEPTION?

Reading:


Arturo Valenzuela and J. Samuel Valenzuela, "Party Oppositions under the Chilean Authoritarian Regime," in Ibid. 184-229

Manuel Barrera and J. Samuel Valenzuela, "The Development of Labor Movement Opposition to the Military Regime," in Ibid., 230-269


Week #12: DEMOCRATIZATION: A COMPARATIVE LOOK

Reading:

Guillermo O'Donnell, et. al., eds., Transitions from Authoritarian Rule: Comparative Perspectives, entire (161 pgs.)

Juan Linz & Alfred Stepan, "Political Crafting of Democratic Consolidation or Destruction: European and South American Comparisons" (paper prepared for a conference on "Reinforcing Democracy in the Americas" at the Carter Center of Emory University, November 1986)

Week #13: A HERETICAL QUESTION: DOES DEMOCRACY HAVE A CHANCE IN LATIN AMERICA?

Reading:

Week #14: (to be decided during the semester)

**Background reading:** Students wishing background reading may want to consult a textbook such as Skidmore & Smith, *Modern Latin America*, or some of the titles in the latter's "Suggestions for Further Reading."

**Supplementary reading:** Supplementary reading will be available on each topic for students who have already read the assigned reading or who wish to read on other aspects of the topic.

**Office hours:** My office hours (Humanities 5223) are Monday 10:30-11:30 and Wednesday 2:30-3:30 or by appointment (263-1863 or 263-1800).