

## **CORPORATE AND ACADEMIC SERVICES**

## **MODULE SPECIFICATION**

Part 1: Basic Data						
Module Title	Politics of Latin-American Underdevelopment					
Module Code	UZQQRB-30-3		Level	3	Version	3.1
Owning Faculty	Health and Applied Sciences		Field	Politics		
Contributes towards	BA(Hons) International Relations BA(Hons) International Relations and Politics BA(Hons) Philosophy and Politics BA(Hons) Politics					
UWE Credit Rating	30	ECTS Credit Rating	3	Module Type	Standard	
Pre-requisites	None		Co- requisites	None		
Excluded Combinations	UPUQS4-30-3 Desarrollo y cambio social en América Latina		Module Entry requirements			
Valid From	September 2010		Valid to			

CAP Approval Date	

Part 2: Learning and Teaching		
On successful completion of this module students will be able to:		
<ol> <li>Demonstrate a high level of knowledge and critical analysis of current political issues affecting Latin American development.</li> <li>Apply theoretical frameworks to analyse political issues in specific regions in</li> </ol>		
the continent. 3. Critically evaluate the major national and international interests affecting Latin		
American political and economic underdevelopment.		
Critically assess, with the aid of theoretical frameworks and based on case studies, the causes of Latin American underdevelopment.		
All learning outcomes will be assessed in Components A and B.		
• Imperialism and intervention: theories of imperialism applied to intervention by the United States in Latin America. Selection of case studies.		
Analysis of political and economic dependency, military intervention and the rise of nationalism in Latin America. Selection of case studies.		
Power and the Latin American state: authoritarianism and military rule: case study: the Southern Cone.		
• Theories and practices of democratisation in 21 <sup>st</sup> century Latin America.		
Crisis of the Latin American state: state legitimacy and conflict. Selection of case studies.		
<ul> <li>Analysis of the theories and outcomes of development and dependency.</li> <li>Application of theories of development and dependency in 21<sup>st</sup> century Latin America. Selection of case studies.</li> </ul>		

Teaching and Learning Methods	This module will be taught through a combination of lectures and seminars in English. Interactive lectures, supported with a dossier and handouts, will provide students with the necessary framework to carry out research for the successful completion of assignments. Group and pair work will be encouraged in student presentations.		
Reading Strategy			
Indicative	Booth, J and Walker, T. <u>Understanding Central America</u> , Westview, 1995		
Reading List	Boron, A State, Capitalism and Democracy in Latin America, L Riener, 1995		
	Bulmer-Thomas, V and J Dunkerley, <u>The United States and Latin America: The New Agenda</u> , London ILAS, 1999		
	Dietz, J.L. <u>Latin America's Economic Development: Confronting Crisis</u> , Lynn Rienner, 1995		
	Green, D Silent Revolution, LAB 1995		
	Gwynne, R.N. & C. Kay (eds) <u>Latin America Transformed</u> , Arnold, 1999		
	Halebsky, S & R Harris, Capital Power and Inequality, Westview, 1995		
	Hall, A. <u>Amazonia at the Crossroads: The Challenge of Sustainable Development,</u> London, ILAS, 2000		
	Held, D. Models of Democracy, Polity Press, 1999		
	Knippers Black, J.(ed) Latin America: Its Problems and its Promise, Westview, 1998		
	Klaren, P Development Theory: An Introduction, Blackwell, 1996		
	Rich, B. Mortgaging the Earth, Earthscan, 1994		
	Roberts, T. & A. Hite, From Modernization to Globalization, Blackwells, 2000		
	Tedesco L <u>Democracy in Argentina</u> , Frank Cass, 1999		
	Veltmeyer, H <u>et al, Neoliberalism and Class Conflict in Latin America,</u> Macmillam, 1997		
	Walker T <u>Nicaragua Without Illusions</u> , Westview, 1997		
	Wiarda (ed) Politics and Social Change in Latin America, Westview, 2000		

## Part 3: Assessment

Identify final assessment component and element	Compone	ent A		
		A:	B:	
% weighting between components A and B (Standard modules only)			50%	
First Sit				
Component A (controlled conditions)			Element weighting	
Description of each element			(as % of component)	
Examination (3 hours)		50	%	
Component B		Element v	veighting	
Description of each element		(as % of co	omponent)	
1. Essay (4,000 words in English)		30%		

2. Assessed Presentation	20%
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Resit (further attendance at taught classes is not required)	
Component A (controlled conditions)  Description of each element	Element weighting (as % of component)
1. Examination (3 hours)	50%
Component B Description of each element	Element weighting (as % of component)
1. Essay (5,000 words)	50%

If a student is permitted an **EXCEPTIONAL RETAKE** of the module the assessment will be that indicated by the Module Description at the time that retake commences.