

## The History of Mexico since Independence

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### Section One

The Pre-Columbian World

The European Invasion

Society and Life in Colonial Mexico

The Independence Revolution

The Political Economy of the 1820s and 1830s

Texas and the American Invasions

The Reforma

The French Intervention and Civil War

The Restored Republic and the American Financial/

Military/Industrial Complex

The Revolution of Tuxtepec

Porfirian Modernization: Free Trade and Privatization

The Economic, Political and Cultural Crisis

Readings: Judas at the Jockey Club, Bitter Harvest, the first seven chapters of Revolutionary Mexico, and the first eight chapters of Empire and Revolution. Because of new evidence lecture attendance is strongly recommended

Mid Term Exam—Two Essay Questions--Value Forty Percent of Final Grade.

## The History of Mexico Since Independence--Continued

### Section Two

The Mexican Revolution: Nationalism, Agrarianism and  
Democracy

The Political Economy 1920-1934

The Cardenista Revolutionary Program

World War II and the New American Relationship

The Cold War, Nationalism and Import Substitution

The Growth of Pluralism and 1968

The Rise of Neo-Porfirian Liberalism Since 1982

NAFTA: Maquilas, Free Trade and Privatization

The Drug Cartels: 1985 to the Present

Final Examination Readings: The Death of Artemio Cruz,  
Revolutionary Mexico from 1920, and Empire and Revolution from  
1920.

Final Examination--Three Essay Questions--Value Sixty Percent  
of Final Grade. At least one question will be entirely dependent  
on the reading selections.

REQUIRED READINGS for the Course: William Beezley, Judas at the  
Jockey Club, Paul Hart, Bitter Harvest; Fuentes, The Death of  
Artemio Cruz, John Mason Hart, Empire and Revolution and  
Revolutionary Mexico.