

Econ 3890

Latin American Economies

Did you know that measures of income inequality for Argentina are about on par with those observed in the U.S. while Argentina's female tertiary school enrollment level exceeds US levels? By contrast, income inequality in Mexico is among the highest in the Americas and its female tertiary enrollment levels is only a third of Argentina's. What explains these contrasts? An overriding goal of this course is to gain an appreciation for the variability in socio-economic conditions across the region while exploring possible explanations for these striking outcomes. Are they the results of historical legacies? What role do resource endowments play and how do politics and policies fit in?

The instructor has lived and or worked in a handful of Latin American countries, speaks Spanish and has taken students on study abroad to two different locations in the region.



- **This course is hybrid and meets for 50 minutes once a week**
- **Take this course to increase your global competencies while becoming proficient in tools to assess cross-country economic and social conditions.**
- **Ideal course for Latin American studies minor, global and international studies major and minor, Spanish, international marketing, global health, race and ethnic relations.**
- **Meets Gen Ed Area IV Requirement**

