

# HIST 4371

## The History of Mexican-Americans



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### Office Hours:

Tues./Thurs. 7:45  
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Note on office hours: If you need me outside of these hours, I will make accommodations to meet those needs. During the week, I will return emails within 24 hours and on the weekend, within 48 hours. Weekends begin at 5:00 pm on Fridays and conclude at 8:00 am on Mondays.

## Course Introduction:

This course focuses on the social, cultural, and political impact of Mexican-Americans in the United States from the nineteenth century to the modern era. Through lectures, discussions, and assigned readings, we will explore the creation of Mexican-American communities, their identities, and various activists organizations.

### GRADE SCALE:

A:  $\geq 89.5$

B: 79.5 - 89.4

C: 69.5 - 79.4

D: 59.5 - 69.4

F:  $59.4 \leq$

### FINAL GRADES:

At the end of the semester, final grades will **not** be rounded up.

### EXAM DATES:

Midterm -

Final -



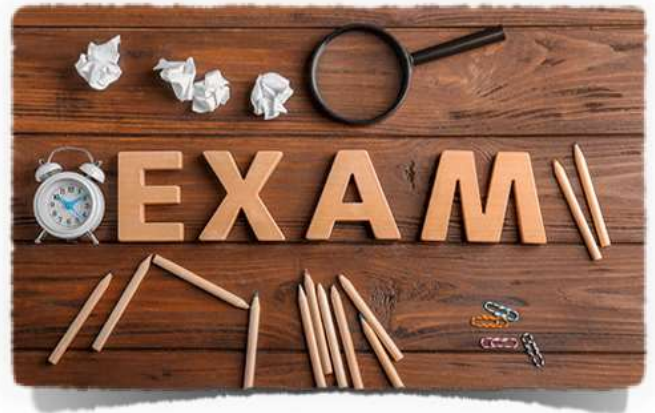
## Course Objectives:

Following the completion of this course, you will be able to:

- ▶ Identify and evaluate significant Mexican-American individuals and events in the formation of the United States.
- ▶ Recognize and analyze various political, social, and economic patterns fostered and impacted by Mexican-Americans in the United States.

## Expectations and Etiquette:

It is expected that everyone in this course, including the professor, will maintain respect for one another. You can disagree with someone, but it will be done in a respectful and thoughtful manner. If the professor determines that your behavior is inappropriate, you will be forwarded to the appropriate campus administrators and/or the campus police.



## Methods of Evaluation:

You will have two major examinations, the midterm and the final. Throughout the first few weeks of the semester, you should be thinking about a possible research topic. Each student will submit a research paper via Canvas no later than 11:59 pm on Sunday, April 7. Please see Canvas for paper parameters.

Exams: 55%

Paper: 25%

Assignments: 20%

## ASSIGNMENT AND EXAM PARAMETERS:

Students are **not** allowed to take exams early, unless they are traveling for a University sponsored event. Students are required to arrange work, travel, and social events around all due dates. There are **no** make-up exams or assignments in this course. If you fail to complete an exam/assignment, you will receive a zero grade. Unless otherwise noted, you are not allowed to use **any** resources (internet, textbook, notes) on exams. If the professor determines you have violated this rule, you will **automatically** fail the exam. In the event this happens a second time, you will **automatically** fail the course.