

In the last few decades, Latin America has experienced great political transformations. In the mid-1970s, all but three countries (Colombia, Costa Rica, and Venezuela) suffered under military dictatorships. By 2000, the overwhelming majority of Latin Americans were living under democracies. At the same time, increasing democracy has not been able to prevent the continuation and increase of violence in many countries.

Distinguished speakers from many fields will discuss the present state of democracy, citizenship, and violence.

10:15 to 11:45 | Keynote Speaker: Dr. Temma Kaplan (Professor of History, Rutgers)
Title: "Alternating Currents: Democratic Struggles for Water in Latin America"

1:00 to 3:00 | Visiting Scholars Panel

Dr. Carew Boulding (Political Science, Colorado), Dr. Gabriela Torres (Anthropology, Wheaton College) Dr. Guillermo Trejo (Political Science, Notre Dame)

3:15 to 4:30 | UK grad students' panel

Michael Flynn (Anthropology), Daniel Vallejo Cáliz (Anthropology), Dayna Cueva Alegría (Geography)





