

History 44: The Mexican American in the History of the United States II  
 West Los Angeles College: Spring 2015  
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WEEKLY READING ASSIGNMENTS

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**Required Reading:**

Richard Rodriguez. *Hunger for Memory*. New York: Dial Press, 1982.  
 Manuel G. Gonzalez. *Mexicanos: A History of Mexicans in the United States*.  
 Second Edition. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 1999 (2009).

**Optional Reading: (Students must choose any two of the following.)**

Ernesto Galarza. *Barrio Boy*. 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition. University of Notre Dame Press, 2011.  
 Luis D. Leon. *The Political Spirituality of Cesar Chavez*. Oakland: University of California Press, 2015.  
 Patricia Preciado Martin. *Songs My Mother Sang to Me*. Tucson: Arizona University Press, 1992.  
 Luis J. Rodriguez. *Always Running: La Vida Loca: Gang Days in L.A.* New York: Simon and Schuster, 1993.  
 \_\_\_\_\_. *The Republic of East L.A.* New York: HarperCollins, 2002.  
 Arturo Rosales and Francisco A. Rosales, *Chicano! The History of the Mexican American Civil Rights Movement*. 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. Houston: Arto Publico Press, 1996.  
 George Sanchez, *Becoming Mexican American: Ethnicity, Culture, and Identity in Chicano Los Angeles, 1900-1945*. Oxford University Press, 1993.  
 Frans J. Schryer. *They Never Come Back: A Story of Undocumented Workers from Mexico*. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 2014.

Assignments must be COMPLETED by the beginning of class on the day indicated.

Week of	Subject	Assignment
February 9	Orientation What is history? Why study history?	
16	Critical Thinking Historical Questions Mexican American Culture	<i>Hunger of Memory</i> and handouts
<i>Presidents Day Weekend. No class Monday.</i>		
23	The Social Construction of Race and Identity	Finish <i>Hunger of Memory</i> ; Read Ch. 10

*Form Presentation Groups this week.*

March	2	Latino/Chicano/Hispanic/Mexicano	Ch. 8
	9	Post-Chicano Identity and Exam	Ch. 9

*Mid-Term Exam will be given this week or  
Book Reviews and Research Papers Due.*

	16	Group Presentations	<i>Begin Second Book</i>
	23	The American Southwest	Ch. 4
	30	The Great Migration	Ch. 5
April	6	<i>Spring Break. No class this week.</i>	
	13	Group Book Reviews	<i>Begin third book</i>
	20	Book Reviews and Exam	

*Mid-Term Exam will be given this week at or  
Book Reviews and Research Papers Due.*

	27	The Depression	Ch. 6
May	4	World War II and Afterwards	Ch. 7
	11	Mexicans in California and LA	<i>Handout Readings</i>
	18	Mexicans in California and LA	
	25	Review for Exam	<i>Catch-up</i>

*Memorial Day. No class Monday.*

*Final Journals are due this week.*

***Final Exam or Paper: June 3, 10:15-12:15 a.m.***