

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

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AM421

A History of the Latin American Drug Trade

Time allowed: 7 days

Paper Published: 19 May 09:00am

Submission: By 11:00am on 26 May via Tabula

Answer TWO questions - Each question is limited to 1500 words.

Assessment Guidance:

- You **MUST** read the supporting information on the History website:
<https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/arts/history/students/covidexam/>
 - You **MUST** submit answers on Tabula by 11:00am on the deadline date (all deadlines can be found on the departmental exam timetable or on your Tabula assessment page).
 - You **MUST** ensure that you upload the correct answer paper to the correct module.
 - Your exam answer paper **MUST** include:
 - Student ID number.
 - The module code and the module title.
 - Clearly state which questions have been answered.
 - Answers should be a maximum of 1500 words.
 - Answers are not expected to include a bibliography or footnotes, however, if you have consulted any materials please list these at the end of your answers.
 - Answers should **NOT** include any significant amount of material already presented in **ANY** assessed work.
 - Where necessary, papers for modules affected by industrial action in the 2019-2020 academic year include additional questions to provide a full range of topics.
 - This take-home assessment is a one-year variance from the normal examination format due to COVID-19 and will apply only in the 2019-2020 academic year.
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1. Is the “war on drugs” coming to an end?

2. Why did the United States start to prohibit narcotics?

3. To what extent were Harry Anslinger's anti-narcotics policies linked to the Cold War?

4. Why does the United States contain a fifth of the world's prison population?

5. How did the counterculture change popular attitudes to narcotics?

6. How useful are "constructionist" ideas about drugs?

7. To what extent do Brazilian gangs function as states within a state?

8. Why have the countries of Central America suffered such an increase in youth gangs?

9. What was the relationship between the state and drug traffickers in 1980s Mexico?

10. Why has Mexico's recent drug war (2006-2018) become so violent?

11. What have been the effects of Mexico's recent drug war (2006-2018) on politics and civil society?

12. What roles does narcoculture play in Mexican society?

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