The term "modernization" is often used today to refer to the process currently experienced by Third World nations. For some it means a change from simple forms of politics, economy, and society to more complex forms. For others it means becoming carbon copies of the developed Western nations. For still others it means becoming enmeshed in an Imperialist ‘World System' controlled by the powerful capitalist countries.

In this course we will examine these views and the theories of development and underdevelopment which underlie them. Through a survey of the historical experience of the ‘modern' Western countries and the current experience of the Third World we will be able to evaluate the progress, promise, and tragedy of ‘modernization.'

CRITICAL REVIEW PROJECTS

Every student is required to write a critical review of the literature for Topics I, II, III, V, VI, VII, VIII, and IX (2-3 pages minimum/3-4 pages maximum). Each review will be worth 10% of your grade.

CORE READINGS

The following books or articles must be read before the class for which they are scheduled. Books are available at the College Bookstore. Articles marked with an asterisk (*) are available at SAS/E on Wentworth Street.


*Sandra Halperin, “Development of Industrial Capitalism and Democracy in Europe and the Contemporary Third World,” from In the Mirror of the Third World
*Connelly & Kennedy, "Must it be the Rest Against the West?"
*Samuel Huntington, "Political Order and Political Decay," from Political Order in Changing Societies.
*Karl Marx, "Pathways of Social Development: A Brief Against Suprahistorical Theory"
*Cristobal Kay, "Reformist and Marxist Approaches to Dependency," from Latin American Theories of Development and Underdevelopment.
*Cristobal Kay "Dependency: Debates, Critiques, and Beyond," from Latin American Theories of Development and Underdevelopment
*Post & Wright, "State Socialist Accumulation" from Socialism and Underdevelopment
*Rosen & McFadyen, "Introduction" from Free Trade and Economic Restructuring In Latin America
*Bill Warren, "Imperialism and Capitalist Industrialization"
*Osvaldo Martínez, “A Critique of Neo-Liberalism” from Neo-Liberalism in Crisis

**TOPICS**

I. **ON THE WESTERN IMAGE OF ITS RISE AND DEMISE? (or how the west thought it won and how it fears it might lose)**
   Read: Max Weber, The Protestant Ethic and the Spirit of Capitalism
   *Connelly & Kennedy, "Must it be the Rest Against the West?"

II. **MODERNIZATION THEORY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**
    Read: W.W. Rostow, The Stages of Economic Growth

III. **POLITICAL MODERNIZATION OR POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT?**
     Read: *Samuel Huntington, "Political Order and Political Decay"

IV. **STABILITY, DEMOCRACY, AND MODERNIZATION**
    Read: *J.H. Plumb, "Introduction" & "Chapter One,"

V. **DEPENDENCY THEORY vs MODERNIZATION THEORY (or how everyone else lost)**
    Read: *Karl Marx, "Pathways of Social Development: A Brief Against Suprahistorical Theory"
    *Cristobal Kay, "Reformist and Marxist Approaches to Dependency"

VI. **WORLD SYSTEMS THEORY APPROACH**
    Read: *Immanuel Wallerstein, "The Rise and Future Demise of the World Capitalist System"
    Thomas Hall, A World Systems Reader (Selections)

VII. **CRITIQUES OF DEPENDENCY THEORY FROM THE LEFT: MODES OF PRODUCTION AND ORTHODOX MARXISM-LENINISM**
    Read: *Cristobal Kay "Dependency: Debates, Critiques, and Beyond"
    *Bill Warren, "Imperialism and Capitalist Industrialization"

VIII. **SOCIALISM AS FAILURE AND DILEMMAS OF `DEVELOPMENT' – NEO-LIBERALISM AND THE CONTEMPORARY SCENE**
    Read: *Post & Wright, "State Socialist Accumulation: The Resource-Constrained Economy"
    *Rosen & McFadyen, "Introduction" (Neo-liberalism)
    *Osvaldo Martinez, “A Critique of Neo-Liberalism”
IX. THE FUTURE: PROGRESS, MODERNIZATION, OR OBLIVION?

Read: W. Warren Wagar, *A Short History of the Future*

* Sandra Halperin, “Development of Industrial Capitalism and Democracy in Europe and the Contemporary Third World,”

COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND POLICY

Class format - Lectures will be combined with extensive class discussion. The success of this course depends upon your active participation!!

Attendance - Attendance is mandatory. More than 5 un-excused absences will produce a grade of “F” (since only I can excuse you, check with me first)

Exams - There will be no exams in this course.

Critical Review Projects - see page one. The assignment will be further discussed in class.

College Network - one of the best ways to contact me is by e-mail (friedmand@cofc.edu) -- I read my e-mail twice a day and once about 1:00 am everyday during the semester. You should also take a look at the Political Science homepage (polisci.cofc.edu/) and the Latin American & Caribbean Studies homepage (www.cofc.edu/~friedman/lastud/latina.html) where you will find the department and program course offerings as well as links to some of this semesters syllabi and reading lists. You may also access my own homepage (www.cofc.edu/~friedman/chili.html) where you will find my class schedule, course syllabi, and many helpful links for this class.

OFFICE HOURS
Please feel free to see me at any time - I have an open door policy. Formal office hours will be announced.

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Deadlines - Will be established during the first week of class. Failure to meet deadlines without a legitimate excuse will result in a failing grade.