MEXICO-US RELATIONS: SECURITY, IMMIGRATION, TRADE
WALLS OR BRIDGES IN AN ERA OF POPULISMS AND NATIONALISMS
Jan 10 - 19, 2020

**Friday, January 10** (Casual dress)
Optional Friday night arrival and private guided tour of the Frida Kahlo House, Leon Trotsky House, Diego Rivera House, and Saturday Market (Bazaar Sabado) on Saturday, March 9. Lunch included. Group will return to the hotel by 5:00pm

**Saturday, January 11** (Casual dress)
Upon arrival into MEX, participants should take a taxi from the secure taxi kiosk located outside of customs or an uber to the hotel (approx 5-15 USD). **Hotel Gillow, Isabel la Católica #17, Centro Histórico, Mexico City, Tel. 011+52-55-5510-0791, hglillow@df1.telmex.net.mx**

6:00 pm  Meet in the hotel lobby  
6:30-7:45 pm  **CURRENT EVENTS**, Professor Charles Goff, Director of the Cemanahauc Educational Community  
7:45 pm: Depart from lobby for the Hotel Majestic.

8:00 pm Group Dinner in Mexico City at the rooftop restaurant of the Hotel Majestic, overlooking the Mexico City Zocolo (**Avenida Madero 73, Centro Histórico, Mexico City, 5521-8600**)

**Sunday, January 12** (Casual dress, comfortable walking shoes, sunscreen)
Breakfast at your leisure starting from 7:30am (give your breakfast ticket to the waiter, otherwise you will be charged).

9:15-5:00pm Depart from hotel with Prof. Charles Goff for a series of visits.

**URBANIZATION, CONFLICT, AND COMMUNITY IN MEXICO CITY.**  
A discussion and visit to the Plaza of Three Cultures, where we see pre-hispanic Mexico; 300 years as a colony of Spain; modern Mexico; and the site of the 1968 student demonstrations

**RACE CLASS AND IDENTITY IN MEXICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE**  
How wealth inequality is impacting development. A discussion and drive though lower income neighborhoods (squatter settlements on the outskirts of Mexico City).

A bag lunch will be provided and a guided visit to the **Pyramids of Teotihuacan** and the **Basilica of Guadalupe**.

Evening Free: Dinner on your own

**Monday, January 13** (Business casual dress in the am and business dress in the pm). **Bring Passport**
Breakfast at your leisure starting from 7:30am (give your breakfast ticket to the waiter)
8:45am Meet in the Gillow lobby to walk together to the meeting room in the Gran Hotel de la Ciudad de México, 16 de Septiembre #82.

9:00am MEXICAN MILITARY AND SECURITY ISSUES: ARE WE WINNING THE DRUG WAR? by Professor Laura Carlsen, Director of the Americas Program in Mexico City, a program of the Center for International Policy based in Washington DC. She is a journalist affiliated with NPR, NBC, the BBC, Univision, Huffington Post, Washington Post, and a columnist with Foreign Policy in Focus.

10:30am USMCA: PROSPECTS, FUTURES, AND IMPLICATIONS OF OUR FUTURE TRADING RELATIONS by Professor Laura Carlsen

12:00pm return to the Hotel Gillow.
12:30pm Depart Gillow lobby for the Command Center

1:00pm SAFETY AND SECURITY IN 2019 at the Command Center (C5) of the Mexico City Department of Public Safety with Director, Juan Manuel García Ortegón. (Cecilio Robelo #3, entre Av. Congreso de la Unión y Sur 103, Colonia del Parque).

Evening Free: Dinner on your own

Tuesday, January 14 (Business dress) Bring Passport
Breakfast at your leisure starting from 7:30am (give your breakfast ticket to the waiter)

8:45am Depart Gillow lobby for the Gran Hotel de la Ciudad de México
9:00am Remarks by Professor Cabrera
9:15am THE FACTS REGARDING MIGRATION AND IMMIGRATION (IN AND THROUGH) MEXICO, by Professor Amarela Varel, (Ph.D. in Sociology and Professor at the Universidad de la Ciudad de México).

Return to the Hotel Gillow for transportation to the afternoon visits.

10:30am Depart for visit to the Mexican Federal Congress (Chamber of Deputies), COMPARING LEGISLATIVE PROCESSES, LAW MAKING IN MEXICO AND THE UNITED STATES visit hosted by Congressman Marco Adame, Vice-President of the Chamber of Deputies. The Hon. Marco Adame is the former Governor of Morelos of the PAN party. We will meet with Congresswoman Saraí Nuñez of the PAN party, Secretary of the Foreign Relations Committee.

2:00pm Depart for the visit to the US Embassy (Paseo de la Reforma #305) with briefings from political, economic, consular and public affairs officers. (Bring passports)

3:00- 4:30pm EMBASSY BRIEFING: US-MEXICO RELATIONS

5:45pm Depart Gillow lobby for Congreso de la Ciudad de México, on Donceles and Tacuba.
6:00pm THE STATE OF THE UNION; TAKING THE PULSE with The Honorable Carlos Gelista, former PAN party President and activist. He has invited us to the Congreso de la Ciudad de México. After the meeting, we will walk over to the Café Tacuba for a group dinner.
Wednesday, January 15 (Business dress) Bring Student ID
Breakfast starting at 7:30 am (give your breakfast ticket to the waiter). Check out. Load luggage into the bus.

8:45am Depart from Gillow lobby to the Mexico City campus of the University of the Americas, Puebla (UDLAP). Reforma 180, 16th floor, Mexico City.

9:30-10:00am Introductions and Welcome
10:00-2:00pm Briefings and Q & A by Professor Gerardo Rodríguez, STATE OF DEFENSE AND SECURITY IN MEXICO, Professor Guadalupe Cabrera, BORDER SECURITY, and Dr. Raul Benitez Manaut, ARMED FORCES AND THE ROLE OF THE MILITARY IN MEXCIO

Short break for lunch (on your own)

If time permits, stop at Los Pinos, the former residence of Mexico’s Presidents, in transit to Santa Fe.

Drive to Santa Fe for the 5 pm visit to Casa Cuervo Headquarters

4:45pm Check in at security Bring Student ID
5:00-7:30pm Visit an International Corporate Headquarters. MARKETING THE TASTE OF MEXICO, Araceli Ramos Director of Marketing and Public Relations for Jose Cuervo and founder of Cuervo Mundo. (Guillermo González Camarena 800 - 4th floor, Col. Zedec, Santa Fe).

Transfer to Cuernavaca. Arrival approx. 8:30pm. Check in to the Hotel Posada Quinta Las Flores (Tlalquepeque 1, Colonia Las Palmas, tel. 314-1244).

Thursday, January 16 (Business casual)
Breakfast at the hotel

9:00-10:30am BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE: IMPLEMENTING ENERGY REFORMS IN MEXICO- CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES, by Gabriel Becerra, Oil and Gas Magazine, in the hotel meeting room.

10:40am Depart for visit to MORELOS STATE CONGRESS hosted by Congressman Pepe Casas, Independent (formerly of the Morena party)

12:30pm Depart for downtown. Lunch on your own (restaurant suggestions: La India Bonia, Casa Hidalgo, Casa Rivera, La Universal).

3:00-5:30pm CUERNAVACA IN MEXICO’S HISTORY, with Professor Charlie Goff (gather at designated meeting place). See and discuss social programs, including healthcare, education, and the arts.

5:30pm Depart downtown. stop at the famous Las Mañanitas. WELCOME TO CUERNAVACA, by the City’s Secretary of Tourism, Dalel Cortés. Briefing and discussion on the importance of the tourism sector in Mexico.
7:30pm Depart for Mexican dinner and fiesta. The fiesta will conclude at 10:30pm, and the bus will return students to the hotel. Private transportation can be arranged, if students need to depart early.

**Friday, January 17** (Business casual, long pants and closed toed shoes)  
Breakfast at the hotel (business casual with comfortable shoes and sunscreen)  

9:20am Deaprt lobby to walk to the Cemanahuac Educational Communtiy (San Juan 4, Colonia Las Palmas)  

9:30-11:00am **CORN AND THE ECONOMY; NEW POLITICS: UNDERSTANDING THE NEW ADMINISTRATION** (political parties, independent candidates, party alliances, etc.), with Dr. Francisco Guerrero, journalist and political commentator.  

11:30am Depart from hotel lobby for **AGRO/Industry visit** with The Honorable Dr. Jorge Morales Barud, former Governor of Morelos, Mayor of Cuernavaca, and Secretary of Agriculture. We will visit the sugar mill in Zacatepec and learn about sugar and rice production in the state of Morelos.  

4:30pm Final luncheon at the Hacienda Vista Hermosa. **CAN MEXICO FACE THE CHALLENGE?** a wrap-up discussion.  

Return to hotel in Cuernavaca. Program Concludes  

**Saturday, January 18** (Casual)  
Breakfast at your leisure starting at 7:30am  

Individual check-out OR  

Optional Excursion to the Magical town of Tepozlan, which includes lunch and hotel for Sat night.  

9:30-3:30pm Day trip to the famous city of Tepoztlan. Tepoztlan was named one of Mexico's "Pueblos Mágicos" (Magical towns). It’s known as the reputed birthplace of Quetzalcoatl, the Aztec feathered serpent god, and for its weekly craft market. The architecture, cobblestone streets, brightly colored flowers, and warm weather makes this city a must to visit. A steep trail leads to the Aztec Tepozteco pyramid, on a clifftop above the town. A 16th-century former Dominican monastery, the Tepoztlán Ex-Convento, has a local history museum. The adjacent Carlos Pellicer Cámara Museum displays pre-Hispanic art. Students will have the opportunity, if they like, to hike up the Tepozteco Mountain and see the remains of the El Tepozteco temple. The Tepozteco Mountain is so mystical that it is known to be “purifying” and its summit offers a great view of the small temple. There will be a group lunch with breath taking views of the city and mountains and time to shop at the famous city’s craft market. The group will return to Cuernavaca for pool time and for participants to spend the evening at their leisure. Individual check-out on **Sunday, January 19, 2020**.  

**Returning to the MEX airport for individual flights back to the US.**  
Participants will be given bus tickets. There are airport buses that run every half hour directly from Cuernavaca to the Mexico City airport terminals. Plan to depart the hotel 4 hours before
flight time. Delta and Aeroméxico depart from Terminal 2 and all other airlines from Terminal 1. The bus stops at both terminals.

Appropriate Dress:
Casual Dress is jeans or slacks and a conservative shirt. Sandals, sneakers are fine. Business Casual dress is slacks and a golf shirt/pullover a button down (tie is not necessary but no jeans, no T-shirts, no casual sandals, no sun/casual shirts or sundresses for the ladies). Business Dress is a suit and tie or a sports coat and tie for the men and a suit or dress (not a sundress) for the ladies with appropriate shoes (no casual sandals).

*The schedule may change or be modified at any time.