

SPRING 2015 -- BBL/MAS 3033

MEXICAN AMERICANS IN THE SOUTHWEST

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course examines historical foundations of United States/ Mexico biculturalism in the Southwest. If you are interested in gaining knowledge about the economic, social, and cultural forces in the making of Texas and the Southwest, and in engaging an examination of the historical forces that created and shaped the Mexican American people as a bicultural community, **BBL/MAS 3033** is the course for you.

Through **BBL/MAS 3033** you will learn about the social and cultural forces that created, gave shape and meaning to the experiences of Mexican Americans or Chicanos/as in the Southwest by exploring

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- Social, political, and cultural climates that gave meaning to Mexican American or Chicana/o identities.
 - Historical arguments that frame Chicana/o experiences in the Southwest since the 1840s up to contemporary times.
 - Concepts learned through the retrieval of personal, family, and community histories.