I. Description of Course:

1. Department/Course: PHIL - 118
2. Title: Latin American Philosophy
3. Cross Reference:
4. Units: 3
   Lec Hrs: 3
   Lab Hrs: 0
   Tot Hrs: 54.00
5. Repeatability: No
6. Grade Options: Letter Grade, May Petition for Pass/No Pass (GP)
7. Degree/Applicability: Credit, Degree Applicable, Transferable - CSU (T)
8. General Education: Field Trips: Not Required
9. Field Trips: Not Required
10. Requisites:
    Advisory
11. Catalog Description:
    This course will survey post-colonial thought in Latin America, including how European ideas have influenced Latin American philosophy, concepts of race, identity, community ethics, and the impact of Latin American philosophy on contemporary society.
12. Class Schedule Description:
    This course will survey post-colonial thought in Latin America, including race, identity, and ethics.
13. Counselor Information:
    This course might be of interest to Chicano studies students.

II. Student Learning Outcomes

The student will:

1. Summarize the history of Post-Colonial thought in Latin America.
2. Analyze the influence of European philosophical ideas on philosophers from Mexico down through Chile.
3. Interpret issues in philosophy regarding ethics, identity, the value of life through basic themes of Latin American philosophy
4. Contrast modernity and modernization and appraise the impacts of the distinction on Latin American philosophy.
5. Justifies the relevance of Latin American philosophy in contemporary society.

III. Course Outline:

The following is one possible course outline for the class. Individual instructors may vary the curriculum within the general confines of the course description.

A. The possibility of Latin American Philosophy
   1. What is Latin American Philosophy?
B. Colonialism
   1. Aztec thought prior to Spanish Influence
2. Spanish Conquest of Mexico
   a. Catholicism
   b. Scholasticism

C. Post Colonialism
   1. Independence of parts of Southern America
      a. Sor Juana Ines de la Cruz

D. Revolution and Rebuilding
   1. Phenomenology and Existentialism
      a. Francisco Romero
      b. Carlos Astrada
      c. Francisco Miro Quesada

E. Denial of Historical Identity and the Repercussions for the Latin American Self
   1. Values and ethics
      a. Alejandro Korn
   2. The philosophical bind of Latin American Philosophy
      a. Walter Mignolo
      b. Anibal Quijano
   3. Solutions to the bind
      a. Enrique Dussel
      b. Leopoldo Zea

IV. Course Assignments:
   A. Reading Assignments
      1. Textbook reading.
   B. Projects, Activities, and other Assignments
   C. Writing Assignments
      1. Journal entries on readings.
      2. Essay: Topics may include: Researching a particular influential Latin American philosopher, Argumentative research paper on race, identity, epistemology, or other Latin American philosophy issue.

V. Methods of Evaluation:
   A. Exams
   B. Journals
   C. Essay. Topics may include: Researching a particular influential Latin American philosopher, Argumentative research paper on race, identity, epistemology, or other Latin American philosophy issue.

VI. Methods of Instruction:
   A. Lecture
   B. Discussion

VII. Textbooks:
   Recommended

   Supplemental

VIII. Supplies: