The history of Central America is deeply intertwined with the history of the United States extending into the late eighteenth century. In the contemporary era, Central America is cast as a dangerous region, a place of inherent violence; the Northern Triangle, the land of MS-13, and the starting point of invasive migrant caravans. Yet, the simplification and monolithic view of the seven Central American countries, Guatemala, Belize, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and Panama, obfuscates complex histories, traditions and processes. The course seeks to provide an understanding for those interested in learning the history, culture, and complex class, gender and racial processes that shape contemporary Central America.

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