

SEMESTER ONE 2022- 2023
ABERYSTWYTH UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL POLITICS

EXAMINATION PAPER
IP2/38720: Contemporary Latin America

Time allowed: **24 HOURS.**

You must submit your answer in a single document to the TurnItIn submission point before 9.30 A.M. (BST) the day after the examination paper is released. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Please answer **one** question.

Your answer must comprise of 1800 words (+/- 10%). Do not duplicate material you have submitted previously.

STUDENTS MAY SUBMIT ANSWERS TO THIS PAPER IN EITHER
WELSH OR ENGLISH

Questions:

1. What might the West/Europe learn from closer study of Latin American politics and society?
2. Why is abortion such a contentious issue in Latin America and what are the prospects for change?
3. Does indigenous politics present a radical departure from conventional politics in Latin America?
4. Why is the Amazon still being destroyed, despite clear evidence of the climate crisis?
5. **Either:** In what ways does Pinochet's legacy endure in Chile?

Or: What does the struggle over Chile's new constitution tell us about the character of democracy in Chile?

6. **Either:** Why has it been so hard to tackle the drugs trade in Latin America?

Or: What are the prospects for lasting peace in Colombia? Why has it been so hard to tackle the drugs trade in Latin America?

7. How do human rights violations distort politics in Latin America, and how might this impunity be tackled?

8. Critically assess what the US-Mexico border represents to those people coming from the south and those residing in the north. What does this tell us about the nature of borders, do you think?