



EL COLEGIO
DE MÉXICO



INTERNATIONAL
SUMMER
PROGRAM

An Overview of Mexican History, 1519-2019

Several themes will run through the course: how conquest, hunger, and disease shaped the population and its distribution throughout 500 years. How ideology influenced the basic concepts of social organization in religion and politics. How cities arose and the countryside survived. How individuals left their mark within a social structure based on guilds, corporations, and communities.

The course will provide an understanding of the gradual processes involved in evangelization, secularization, illustration, liberalism, positivism, and the paternal State. It will view Mexico's relationship with Spain and the Vatican, with Europe and the United States, with Asia and Africa. An effort will be made to balance environmental, gender, political, social, religious, diplomatic, educational, artistic, industrial, and current history in a narrative that makes sense of 500 years of history.