

# HIST 2110: Survey of New Mexico History



**Course:** HIST 2110: Survey of New Mexico History

**Section:** 502

**Meeting Times and Place:** Remote Arranged/Asynchronous Online (in other words, there are due dates in this course, but there are not scheduled meeting times).

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**Office:** Arts & Sciences 107

**Office Hours:** Mondays from 1:30 PM-3:30 PM and Wednesdays from 1:30 PM-3:30 PM. Additional times by appointment. I will be holding office hours simultaneously in-person in my office and on Zoom. Please feel free to either stop by my office or attend my office hours virtually via Zoom. Office hours can be accessed via Zoom at:

A photograph of the Palace of the Governors in Santa Fe. The Palace is the oldest public building in continuous use constructed by European settlers in the continental United States.

<https://unm.zoom.us/j/8734503370>

The passcode to join office hours meetings is officehrs

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All email must come through your University of New Mexico email account. I do not use the Blackboard messenger system.

**Course Description:** The primary objective of this course is to serve as an introduction to the history of New Mexico from the pre- Columbian times to the present day. The elements of this course are designed to inform students on the major events and trends that are essential in the understanding of the development of New Mexico within the context of the Americas.

**Course Student Learning Outcomes:**

1. Students will be able to EXPLAIN in their work how humans in the past shaped their own unique historical moments and were shaped by those moments, and how those cultures changed over the course of the centuries for the history of New Mexico from pre- Columbian times to the present day. **Bloom Taxonomy's Cognitive Process:** REMEMBER AND UNDERSTAND

2. Students will DISTINGUISH between primary and secondary sources, IDENTIFY and EVALUATE evidence and EMPATHIZE with people in their historical context.

**Bloom Taxonomy's Cognitive Process:** ANALYZE, REMEMBER, EVALUATE, CREATE

3. Students will SUMMARIZE and APPRAISE different historical interpretations and evidence in order to CONSTRUCT past events. **Bloom Taxonomy's Cognitive Process:** UNDERSTAND, EVALUATE, APPLY

4. Students will IDENTIFY historical arguments in a variety of sources and EXPLAIN how they were constructed, EVALUATING credibility, perspective, and relevance. **Bloom Taxonomy's Cognitive Process:** REMEMBER, UNDERSTAND, EVALUATE

5. Students will CREATE well-supported historical arguments and narratives that demonstrate an awareness of audience. **Bloom Taxonomy's Cognitive Process:** CREATE, APPLY

6. Students will APPLY historical knowledge and historical thinking "in order to infer what drives and motivates human behavior in both past and present." **Bloom Taxonomy's Cognitive Process:** APPLY, ANALYZE 16

**Essential Skills That Will Be Developed in This Course:**

1. Critical Thinking:

- a. Problem setting
- b. Evidence acquisition
- c. Evidence evaluation
- d. Reasoning/conclusion

2. Information and Digital Literacy:

- a. Authority and value of information
- b. Digital literacy
- c. Information structures



- d. Research as inquiry
- 3. Personal and Social Responsibility:
  - a. Intercultural reasoning and intercultural competence
  - b. Sustainability and the natural and human world
  - c. Ethical reasoning
  - d. Collaboration skills, teamwork, and value systems
  - e. Civic discourse, civic knowledge and engagement

**Required Texts:** Joseph P. Sánchez, Robert L. Spude, and Art Gómez, *New Mexico: A History* (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2014; ISBN 9780806146638).

Leslie Marmon Silko, *The Turquoise Ledge* (New York: Penguin, 2011; ISBN 9780143120100). This memoir will serve as the basis for the two short essays you will write this semester.

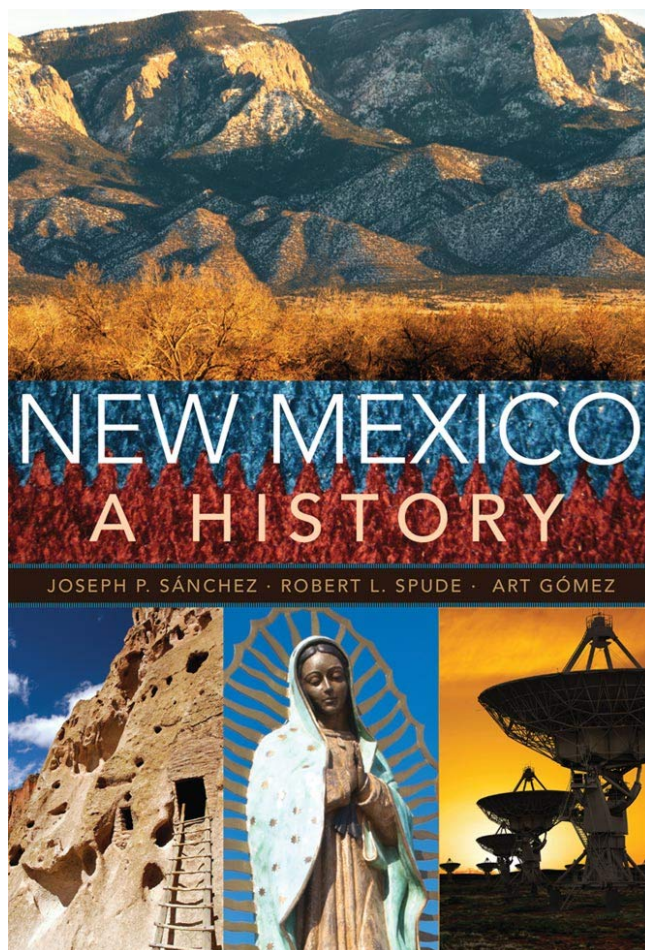
Additional readings will be made available on Blackboard (and noted as such in the course outline).

**Schedule Note:** Keep in mind that this is an 8-week course. **That means that we have half the amount of time as the traditional 16-week course and you will be doing double the amount of reading and work each week.** You should be prepared to devote the time and work needed to succeed in this course in the limited amount of time that we have.

### **Technology Requirements, Technical Skills, Correspondence, and Etiquette:**

**1. Technology Requirements and Technical Skills:** This course will be completed entirely in the online Blackboard Learn environment. This means that regular access to a computer and basic computer literacy skills are required. The instructor will not provide tutorials or training on how to use Blackboard. For more details on technology requirements and helping learning how to use Blackboard or troubleshooting problems you may encounter with Blackboard visit <http://online.unm.edu/help/learn/students/>.

**2. Hardware and Software Tips:** While Blackboard can be used on a phone or tablet, I strongly recommend completing Blackboard course work on a



The cover of the required textbook for this course.

desktop or laptop computer. A desktop or laptop running macOS, Windows, or Linux will be more reliable and much better suited to the writing that you will have to do in this course than a touchscreen device. Additionally, it's best not rely on cell phone data as a means of completing work in Blackboard. You will be much better off using a more reliable internet connection such as one through Wi-Fi or ethernet. If you have issues with a quiz or assignment being frozen or unresponsive, please email me ASAP to inform me of your issue and contact UNM Learn Support at 505-277-0857 or [learn@unm.edu](mailto:learn@unm.edu). Additional UNM Learn Support services can be found at: <http://online.unm.edu/help/learn/support/index.html>.

**3. Communication Etiquette:** Compose your electronic communications professionally. If emailing, use a professional address ("Dear Dr. Kamen"), indicate which course and section you are in, fill in the subject line, and sign it. Use proper spelling, punctuation, and grammar. I ask for you to write your emails in a professional manner not to be unnecessarily difficult or aggrandize myself, but because writing professional emails is an important skill for virtually any career path.

**4. "Netiquette":** Be respectful of other class members. While the online discussions for this class are less formal than a writing assignment such as an essay, avoid using slang and profanity as well as making inappropriate comments. It is sometimes difficult to remember that there are real people reading posted messages in online discussions. This is especially true of online communication where others do not have the opportunity to see body language or hear tone of voice; therefore, misunderstandings are more likely.

Please, follow these guidelines in all of your online responses and discussion postings:

1. Honor everyone's right to an opinion.
2. Respect the right of each person to disagree with others.
3. Respond honestly but thoughtfully and respectfully; use language which others will not consider foul or abusive. You may also use emoticons to convey a lighter tone.
4. Respect your own privacy and the privacy of others by not revealing information which you deem private and which you feel might embarrass you or others
5. Be prepared to clarify statements which might be misunderstood or misinterpreted by others.

In the unlikely event that problems arise (bullying, offensive remarks, etc.), they will be addressed by the instructor and may be referred to the Social Sciences Division Chair.

### **Course Requirements<sup>1</sup>:**

1. **Weekly Assignments:** Each week there will be five assignments based on that week's assigned reading that must be completed. Weekly assignments will open on Tuesday at 12:00 AM and, with the exception of your initial discussion post (see below), are due by

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<sup>1</sup> The instructor for this course reserves the right to change, at any time, the schedule of assignments, required material to be completed and/or read, dates assignments are due, and other elements of the course and syllabus. Such changes, including date changes, will be announced on Blackboard.

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11:59 PM on Monday. Your two lowest scores in each of the categories of assignments will dropped when your final grade is calculated. The five weekly assignments will consist of:

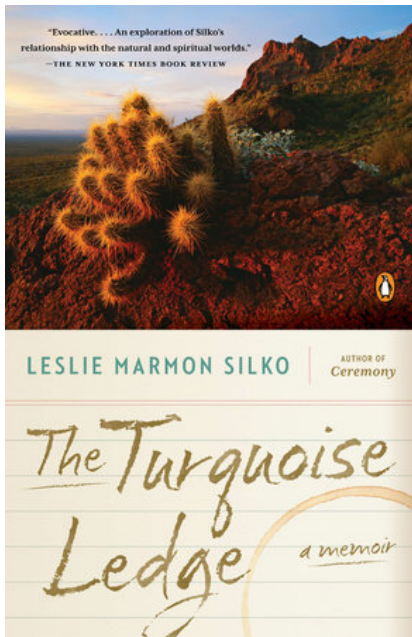
a. **Reading Quizzes:** Each week, you will have two quizzes covering the assigned reading for that week. Each quiz will consist of five questions comprised of multiple choice and/or true or false questions and will address half of the assigned reading for the week. The instructions for each quiz will specify which part of the assigned reading for the week the quiz will address. Most weeks, the assigned reading will be from *New Mexico: A History*. It is essential for this course that you obtain a copy of this book. You are free

to use the assigned texts while taking the quiz. However, since it will be nearly impossible to read through all of the assigned reading addressed by the quiz and answer all of the questions on that quiz in the time allotted you **will need to complete the assigned reading addressed by the quiz before you start the quiz.** Once you attempt a reading quiz in Blackboard the clock starts ticking and the quiz will automatically submit whatever you've completed when the time is up. Don't attempt a reading quiz until you're ready to take and complete it. You will have half an hour to take the quiz. You will also have two attempts to take each quiz. If you attempt a quiz twice, the higher of your two scores will be taken as your final grade for the quiz. After you submit a quiz attempt, Blackboard will show you which questions you got wrong (if any). Taking note of the questions you got wrong on a first attempt and trying to figure out the correct answers for those questions for your second attempt is a great way to increase your quiz scores. Each week's reading quiz is worth 10 points.

b. **Reading Responses:** Each week, you will respond to two questions or prompts that address the week's assigned reading. As with the reading quizzes, you are free to use the assigned text or texts while completing your reading response. However, since you will only have 15 minutes to complete your response it is essential that you complete the assigned reading before beginning your reading response. Just like with the reading quizzes, the clock will start ticking as soon as you begin a reading response and Blackboard will automatically support whatever you've written when the 15 minutes is up. Don't attempt a reading response until you're prepared to complete it. Unlike the reading quizzes, you have only one attempt for each reading response. Each week's reading response is worth 10 points. You will receive at least 5 points for any reasonable attempt at a response.

c. **Online Discussions:** New material will be assigned each week to serve as the basis for online discussion. This material will usually be a clip from a documentary, a segment from a podcast, or a textual document. Depending on the format of the material you will need to watch, listen to, or read the assigned material and post a thread in that week's online discussion forum in response to a discussion prompt that will address some aspect of that material and your views on it. You will also need to post at least one response to a posting made by another student. Your response or

**The one exception to the due date of 11:59 PM on Monday for weekly assignments is your initial post in each week's online discussion.**



The cover of Leslie Marmon Silko's *The Turquoise Ledge*, the book that you will be reading for the short essays in this course.

responses can be made either in response to a new thread started by another student or a response that another student has posted. **The one exception to the due date of 11:59 PM on Monday for weekly assignments described above is your initial post in each week's online discussion. Each week, your first post is due by 11:59 PM on Friday.** You have until the end of the week (11:59 PM on Monday) to respond to another student's post. New threads that do not relate to the discussion prompt or responses to other postings that demonstrate minimum effort (e.g. "I agree with Bill") will result in 0 points. There are 5 points possible for your new thread and 5 points possible for your response to the posting of another student. Between the points for your new thread and the points your response there are a total of 10 possible points each week for your participation in online discussion. For further details on how your participation in the online discussion will be graded see the Online Discussion Grading Rubric document in the "Syllabus and Course Documents" folder found in the "Content" section of the course site.

2. **Exams:** There will be two exams over the course of the semester. Each exam consists of short answer identification questions and essay questions. The material addressed by exams is not cumulative. Study guides will be provided two weeks before each exam due date. **Exam #1 is due by 11:59 on April 18. Exam #2 is due by 11:59 on May 13.**

3. **Short Essays:** You will write two five-paragraph essays in response to prompts that address Leslie Marmon Silko's memoir, *The Turquoise Ledge*. Your essays will need to have a clear thesis articulated in an introduction, a body with supporting evidence for that thesis, and a conclusion. The five-paragraph essay is a format that has been widely maligned for a variety of good reasons, but also provides a clear and structured way for you to develop a clear argument in response to a prompt. We will discuss the benefits and drawbacks of the five-paragraph essay format as well as pitfalls to avoid in writing your essays. You will submit your short essays via Blackboard. Further details on the short essays and the rubric that I will use when grading them will be distributed well before the due date of the first short essay. The short essays are not the kind of assignment that can be thrown together the night before they're due. Make sure to start working on them well in advance of the due date. **The final draft of the first short essay is due by 11:59 PM on April 25 and the second short essay is due by 11:59 PM on May 13.**

4. **Short Essay #1 Rough Draft and Self-Review:** Before you submit



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Short Essay #1 for grading, you will submit a rough draft of your essay and a self-review of that draft. The self-review assignment is intended to push you to think critically about your writing process and the ways in which your rough draft does and/or does not meet the objectives of the essay assignment. After submitting your rough draft and peer-review, you will have the opportunity to revise and improve your essay before submitting your final draft. **The rough draft and self-review for Short Essay #1 is due by 11:59 PM on April 11.**

**5. Video Lectures:** Each week, I will upload a short video lecture with the aim of briefly providing you with some context for the week's readings and filling in the gaps between the chapters and articles you will be reading. **However, watching these videos should not be seen as taking the place of doing the assigned reading.** These videos simply introduce and contextualize the reading. They do not go into the content addressed in the reading in any depth. I will also make video lectures that will review identification items and essay questions for exams. These video lectures will be made available to you during a week in which you have an exam due. I strongly recommend that you watch the video lecture for each exam before you begin the exam. Make sure that your computer is able to play audio and video. Video lectures will be found in the weekly course work folders.

### **Course Policies:**

**1. Late Work:** Late submissions of reading responses, the short essay rough draft, and the short essay self-review will only be accepted up to one week after the due date and will result in an automatic deduction of half of the possible points. After one week past the due date, those assignments will not be accepted and a grade of 0 will be given. Without an official excuse, the Short Essay #1 Final Draft and Short Essay #2 will only be accepted up to one week after the due date and will result in an automatic deduction of one third of the possible points. After one week past the due date, those assignments will not be accepted and a grade of 0 will be given except in cases of official excuses. Without an official excuse, a missed exam will result in a grade of 0. Make-up exams will be provided to students who provide an official excuse within three business days of the exam day. After this time, a grade of 0 will be given. If you know you will be unable to take an exam or submit a short essay on time due to an officially excusable reason, please let me know as soon as possible. It is far easier to make alternative arrangements before an exam or due date than after. Late posts in the online discussions will not be accepted for points because the purpose of these assignments is for you converse with your classmates in a timely manner.

**2. Assigned Readings:** Students are responsible for all assigned readings. Each week's assigned reading should be read before attempting a reading quiz or reading response. You are free to use the assigned texts while working on those assignments, but it will be virtually impossible to read through those texts to find the relevant information and complete those assignments within the permitted time. The assigned texts will serve as a much more

beneficial reference while working on those assignments if you have already read them before starting the assignment.

**3. “Attendance” and Drops:** In an online course, regularly logging into the course on Blackboard and completing assignments on time take the place of attendance in a face-to-face course. You will need to log on to the course in Blackboard at least three times a week to check the discussion boards and to see if any new announcements or assignments have been posted. Unless there are students on the waitlist, I do not initiate drops of students in my courses. If you determine that you will not be able to complete the requirements for the course or that you do not want to complete the course, it is your responsibility to drop the course within the published deadlines for student-initiated drops. I will be happy to advise you on your prospects for passing the course, but the decision to drop the course is your decision to make. You should not assume that you will be dropped from the class automatically.

**4. Academic Integrity:** This is a big deal and I take it VERY SERIOUSLY (as should you). Plagiarism, cheating, and other forms of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. The University of New Mexico’s definition of academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, dishonesty in quizzes, tests, or assignments; claiming credit for work not done or done by others; hindering the academic work of other students; misrepresenting academic or professional qualifications within or without the University; and nondisclosure or misrepresentation in filling out applications or other University records. For further information, see the university’s academic dishonesty policy at <https://policy.unm.edu/regents-policies/section-4/4-8.html>. Any instances of academic dishonesty will result in a ZERO for that assignment and may be referred to the Dean of Instruction with the possibility of more serious consequences. A second offense will result in FAILURE OF THE COURSE. DO NOT ASK ME IF YOU CAN "MAKE UP" THE POINTS. YOU CAN'T.

#### **Grading System:**

14 weekly quizzes @ 10 points each	140
14 reading responses @ 10 points each	140
6 online discussion assignments @ 10 points each	60
2 exams @ 100 points each	200
Short Essay #1 Rough Draft and Self-Review	30
2 short essays @ 75 points each	150
<b>Total Possible Points</b>	<b>720</b>

Your grade can be calculated by dividing the number of points you have earned by the total number of possible points in the course (720).

A+ = 97+

A = 93-96%

A- = 90-92%

B+ = 87-89%

B = 83-86%



B- = 80-82%  
C+ = 77-79%  
C = 73-76%  
C- = 70-72%  
D+ = 67-69%  
D = 63-66%  
D- = 60-62%  
F = Below 60%

**6. Extra Credit:** An extra credit assignment or assignments will be announced over the course of the semester. Extra credit assignments will only be offered to the entire class. Additional extra credit assignments will not be offered to individual students.

**7. Students with Disabilities:** If you have a documented disability, the Equal Access Services office will provide me with a letter outlining your accommodations. I will then discuss the accommodations with you to determine the best learning environment. If you feel that you need accommodations, but have not documented your disability, please contact Cheryl Dilger, the coordinator for Equal Access Services at 925-8910 or [cdilger@unm.edu](mailto:cdilger@unm.edu).

**8. Citizenship and/or Immigration Status:** All students are welcome in this class regardless of citizenship, residency, or immigration status. I will respect your privacy if you choose to disclose your status. UNM as an institution has made a core commitment to the success of all our students, including members of our undocumented community. More information can be found at <http://undocumented.unm.edu/>.

### **Course Outline:**

*Note that weekly assignments will become available at 12:00 AM on Tuesday each week and will be due on Monday at 11:59PM that week. Be sure to pay attention to the readings listed in bold followed by "(BB)". They are required readings that are available on Blackboard rather than in the textbook.*

**Week 1:** March 21-March 28: Native Peoples and Spanish Colonization

Assigned Readings: Ch. 1 and ch. 3 of *New Mexico: A History*.

**Week 2:** March 29-April 4: From Mexican Rule to U.S. Rule

Assigned Readings: Ch. 4 and ch. 5 of *New Mexico*.

**Week 3:** April 5-April 11: New Mexico and the U.S.

Assigned Readings: Ch. 6 and ch. 7 of *New Mexico*.

**Important Date(s): Short Essay #1 Rough Draft and Self-Review due by 11:59 PM on April 11.**

**Week 4:** April 12-April 18: Statehood at Last

Assigned Readings: Ch. 8 of *New Mexico* and **"Safe and Sane' for Statehood" (BB)**

**Important Date(s): Exam 1 due by 11:59 PM on April 18.**

**Week 5:** April 19-April 25: New Mexico as Artists' Haven

Assigned Readings: “**Mabel Dodge Luhan: New Woman, New Worlds**” (BB) and **Utopian Vistas: The Mabel Dodge Luhan House and the American Counterculture**” (BB).

**Important Date(s): Short Essay #1 Final Draft due by 11:59 PM on April 25.**

**Week 6:** April 26-May 2: Depression, Reform, and War

Assigned Readings: Ch. 9 and ch. 10 of *New Mexico*.

**Week 7:** May 3-May 9: The Second Red Scare and Film in New Mexico

Assigned Readings: “**The Movie Hollywood Could Not Stop**” (BB) and ***Salt of the Earth*** (film) (BB).

**Important Date(s): Short Essay #2 due by 11:59 PM on May 9.**

**Finals Week:** May 10-May 13:

**Important Date(s): Exam 2 due by 11:59 PM on May 13.**