

The Department of History Graduate Student  
Association Presents

## **A Student and Faculty Colloquium with Dr. Ricardo D. Salvatore**

Is a Plenary Professor in the History Department at Universidad Torcuato Di Tella in Buenos Aires. He has published extensively in both Spanish and English, including, *Subalternos, derechos y justicia penal: Ensayos de historia social y cultural Argentina 1829-1940* (Editorial Gedisa, 2010), *Imágenes de un Imperio: Estados Unidos y las formas de representación de América Latina* (Editorial Sudamericana, 2006), and *Wandering Paysanos: State Order and Subaltern Experience in Buenos Aires Province During the Rosas Era* (Duke University Press, 2003). The topic of this colloquium is:

### **“Imperial Revisionism: US Historians and the Question of the Spanish Empire in America”**

During the Interwar Period, US historians built a solid and enduring construction: the field of Hispanic American History. The interest of these pioneers of the field centered on revising the history of the Spanish Empire in America. New contributions by Clarence Haring on the workings of the Spanish commercial monopoly, by Arthur Whitaker on the diplomatic skirmishes between England, Spain and France, that liberated the gulf coast to American settlement, by Irving Leonard on the early colonial book trade and the introduction of Golden Age Spanish theatre in New Spain and Peru, by John Tate Lanning on colonial universities in Spanish America and the influence of the Enlightenment, and Lewis Hanke on the works of Bartolomé de las Casas, contributed to a substantial revision of what was known about the Spanish colonial empire. Professor Salvatore argues that this new knowledge was significantly influenced by the geo-political context and by US policies towards Latin America, in particular by the ideals embedded in Pan-Americanism and the Good Neighbor Policy. The works of US historians was clearly revisionist, but it was also imperial to the extent that the new vision of the Spanish colonial experience illuminated new views about the US engagement with the Caribbean, Central and South America in what it was coming to be the "American century."

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