

# Conversations in History

Department of History Graduate Student Association



## Police Abuses, Politics, and the Criminal Justice System in Buenos Aires Province, Argentina During the 1960s

Lecture by **Dr. Osvaldo Barreneche**,  
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**Thursday Nov. 3rd, 2016 | 11 AM | FIU Modesto  
A. Maidique Campus | LACC Conference Room**

Dr. Osvaldo Barreneche's recent research on the history of the Police of the Buenos Aires province permits to build up a hypothesis regarding the increasing everyday police violence since the late 1950s. This process is accompanied by new forms of corruption and bribes. Taking into account the difficulties for conducting this kind of research topic, we may consider studying criminal cases where law enforcement agents were accused. How penal judges dealt with those cases as well as the resulting sentences may shed light on the elusive borders between legal and illegal police procedures and practices. At the same time, the inquiry would allow to study the complex connections and relationships between police officer and criminal judges.

The presentation approaches these topics by analyzing judicial cases against law enforcement agents between 1957 and 1968. Dr. Barreneche will also share his most recent findings focusing on a quantitative study of those cases. The idea is presenting concrete evidences through different tables and charts and then discussing more general matters that may involve theoretical as well as methodological issues.

**Dr. Osvaldo Barreneche** is an associate professor of history at the Universidad Nacional de La Plata in Argentina.

Light refreshments from Cafe Bustello will be served.

This event is free and open to all FIU students.  
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