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Abstract

Between Disgust and Pride: The Homosexual Subject During The Criminalization Of
Homosexual Sex In Urban Colombia (1936-1980)

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The history of homosexuality in Latin America has been traditionally discussed in connection to urbanization, industrialization, and immigration. Despite primary sources are filled with emotional utterances, historians have not examined the role of emotions in the construction of the homosexual. This dissertation aims to fill this void. From a Critical Discourse Analysis perspective and by drawing from the conceptual tools from the field of the history of emotions, this dissertation examines the political consequences of the way in which legal, socio-clinical, and sensationalists discourses used emotional utterances when describing/producing the new homosexual subject. This dissertation concludes that despite their divergences, all these discourses ended up constructing bodies of knowledge—scientific, legal, and popular—that naturalized homosexuals' inequal social relationships and marginal identity. At the same time, this dissertation traces that while sensationalists discourses had more stability and were based on legal positivism, socio-clinical and legal discourses had an inverse development.

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