Blending Puerto Rico into Latin American History

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Tuesday, September 24, 3:30-5 p.m.
1117 University Capitol Centre

For much of the twentieth century, Latin American historiography marginalized Puerto Rico as an American possession not adequately encompassed by Latin American studies. This talk will discuss the origins of this tension and its eventual—if perhaps only partial—resolution. It will also discuss how, without much fanfare, Puerto Rico has provided important points of comparison for Latin American history, anthropology, and literature.

The Hale Lecture honors the memory of Professor Charles A. Hale (1930-2008), a specialist in Latin American liberalism and intellectual history. He was a distinguished scholar and faculty member at the University of Iowa from 1966-1997.

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