

**LAS 2420/HIS 2420**  
**Cuba and Puerto Rico: A Tale of Two Islands**

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You've probably heard of Bad Bunny. But what do you *really* know about Puerto Rico?  
Take Cuba and Puerto Rico to find out what these islands have in common!

- Who were the Taínos? Why did Spain colonize them?
- Why did Puerto Rico and Cuba declare independence from Spain?
- How did Black Puerto Ricans and Cubans gain their freedom?
- Why did Cuba have a revolution? Why is Puerto Rico still a US colony?

No textbook required! All readings will be posted online for free. Everyone is welcome.  
Assignments include weekly journal entries, attendance/participation, and two short papers.  
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