Faculty Development Workshop

The New Politics of Latin America: Brazil Today

- Two Brazils, Two Electorates: Voter Change and Choice in 2002
  Andrew Baker, University of Houston

- Labor and Industry in Lula’s Brazil
  Scott Martin, Columbia University

Moderator:
Desmond Arias, John Jay College of Criminal Justice

The Brazilian elections of 2002 will be remembered most for the convincing victory of a non-elite, left-leaning presidential candidate, Luis Inácio “Lula” da Silva. Despite Lula’s impressive margin of victory in both the first and second round of the election, his success was hardly a foregone conclusion during Brazil’s lengthy pre-campaign and campaign season. Two different candidates, neither of whom survived to the second round, were technically tied with Lula in opinion polls at different points in the campaign. Using a public opinion survey carried out in two Brazilian cities, Andrew Baker will discuss voters’ decisions, and at times indecision, in the 2002 presidential election. Andrew Baker is Assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Houston and adjunct Professor at the University of Connecticut. Andy’s research is on public opinion and political economy in Latin America, and especially Brazil.

During the Fall 2003 and Spring 2004 semesters the Bildner Center will be hosting a City University of New York Faculty Development Workshop Series on Latin America. The seminars will consist of a series of lectures and discussions by leading scholars in the study of Latin America. Topics will range from political and social conditions in different countries in the region to critical themes in contemporary Latin America such as human rights and US Latin American Relations. The seminars will meet between 4:30 and 6:30 on Fridays approximately every three weeks.

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