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The Latinx/a/o Radical Tradition: Genealogies of Anti-Capitalism, Anti-Imperialism, and Anti-Racism

This article focuses on what I term the Latinx/a/o Radical Tradition. It utilizes Cedric Robinson’s conception of the Black Radical Tradition to think about a gendered and Latinx/a/o framework to analyze how people from throughout the Americas have responded to power and oppression during the rise of global capitalism and U.S. imperialism. It focuses on transnational Latinx/a/o activists and their ideas spanning the 20th and 21st century. Specifically, it focuses on people utilizing the Marxist canon to organize against racism, sexism, capitalism, and imperialism. This includes, but is not limited to, communists, anarchists, and socialists. This is an attempt at creating an approach to be used to connect individuals from inside and beyond these traditions. It is meant to help us (re)consider how the past, present, and future are connected via how people respond to intersectional oppressions and how they (re)imagined creating meaningful social and structural changes beyond overthrowing capitalism.

The paper will be made available to participants a week before the workshop so that they can prepare comments. Space is limited so please RSVP to Laura Castañeda at mlcastan@illinois.edu, or (217)265-0370 by April 15 if you wish to attend the workshop and she will send you the paper.

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