MAS 395A Special Topics
Elective for LAS and HIST majors.

Mexican Superheroes, Demons, and Idols

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This course surveys Mexican society, culture, and history by analyzing and discussing the role of popular icons widely known as heroes, superheroes, idols, or demons. In many ways they represent people’s aspirations, fears, and hopes in different times and contexts. These cultural icons, usually embody popular notions of justice, patriotism, solidarity, and protection; so, they reflect social parameters of identity, class, race, education, and gender. We'll examine their connections to the national conditions in which they were created, examining specialized readings and popular culture sources, such as music, film, comics, and television shows.