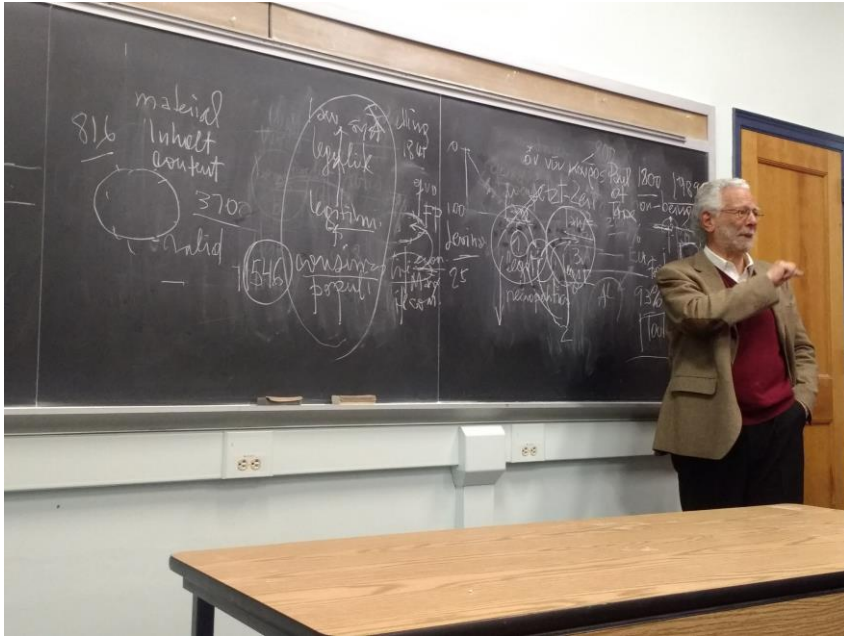


**PHL 389. Latin American Philosophy: Liberation Philosophy**  
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### **Course Description**

This seminar is an overview of the Latin American philosophical tradition known as “liberation philosophy.” While inclusive of thinkers such as Juan C. Scannone, Rodolfo Kusch, Horacio Cerutti, Hugo Assmann, among others, this seminar will focus primarily on the philosophical production of the main exponent of liberation philosophy: Enrique Dussel. We will start with a philosophical analysis of the Conquest of the Americas, which outlines the task of liberation philosophy. We will then immerse ourselves in the most important work of early Dussel: *The Philosophy of Liberation*, which potently summarizes the movement’s various commitments and positions. We will then look at liberation philosophy’s engagement with the Frankfurt School, as a Latin American engagement with European philosophy. From all these studies, we will arrive at the present stage of liberation philosophy: the articulation of South-South inter-cultural dialogues towards *transmodernity*. Instruction will consist of lectures and classroom discussion.