Course: ***Social Anthropology: Our Lady of Guadalupe as a Resource for el Pueblo***

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This course will consider the contextual dynamics of power and agency that contributed to the establishment of Our Lady of

Guadalupe as a powerful symbol for diverse communities across chronological and geographical boundaries. Students will explore narratives, rituals, and faith practices in relation to political activism within the historical context in which the image is interpreted as a powerful symbolic resource in the struggles of marginalized communities, particularly in the experience of the Southwest part of the U.S. Facilitated through a protestant feminist perspective, this course will explore the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe as a fluctuating symbolic site of power communicating a model of political agency for el Pueblo.