

Now I'm a 'Latinx'? More liberal identity politics to destroy the class struggle

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You can run from leftist culture, but you can't hide



Young Latino-couple-Latino couple in Los Angeles. [dropcap]I[dropcap] was reading these degrading, insulting, blatant fake-liberals of the US government media - National Public Radio - when I came across the following lame sentence:

"The citizenship question the Trump administration wanted to add to the 2020 census would have likely been especially sensitive in areas with higher shares of Latino residents and noncitizens."

"Mm is worried about sensitivity again. Mmm, must be why they keep using an military to comment on foreign diplomacy." I thought: "Waitwait - what the hell is a 'Latino'?" They aren't talking about me, because I never heard another Latino use this phrase, but I searched it - "Latino" is all over the place!

"Latino" is another tool of US liberal "identity politics", which is the opposite of broad socialist unity. I have noticed that US identity politics has increasingly become dominated by the promotion of non- or even anti-heterosexual thought, even though such groups (especially those who don't identify as one gender) are a tiny minority statistically. Definition: From (why should we believe them, but why not, on such a dumb issue) the Huffington Post: "Latino is the gender-neutral alternative to Latin, Latina and even Latino."

This raises many problems, including what is a "Latin" are Latinos supposed to digitize themselves or something? It's part of a "linguistic revolution" that aims to move beyond gender binaries and is inclusive of the intersecting identities of Latin American descendants. In addition to men and women from all racial backgrounds, Latino also makes room for people who are trans, queer, agender, non-binary, gender non-conforming or gender fluid."

At this time, so the issue is the way the Spanish language uses gender? Well, this is something that cannot really be changed without rewriting every Spanish-language book ever - it would be more efficient if the world all changed to Esperanto/reconstructed the tower of Babel.

But I'll play along - oh, if this is what Americans want, to make their language weird why because the tiny percentage of people who don't define themselves as one gender say so, oh. But why is it just for "Latinos"? I read stories about James and Enlis and never see this now-important "x"?

If it is only for language with genders, then at least I should see what's going on with the Italians, French and Arab.

Many Germanic languages have three genders, including a neutered gender- how about we start seeing some stories about Santa and Sinal?

Why are Latinos the American guinea pig? We are factories and powerhouses in US society - must we lose our gender as well? At this time is right?

This is not a new issue - why call it "Latin" at all? I guess that was an upgrade on "Hispanic", which was created by the Nixon administration. But the many Italian descendants in Latin America may be pissed that they are assumed to hail from "Hispanic", i.e. the Iberian Peninsula/Spain. The US mercifully realized Latinos were not going to adopt their creation of "Hispanic", and switched to "Latino".



Sombody should ask Edward James Olmos if he feels like a genuine "Latino".

But take a look at the racial composition of Central and South American - most of them have very little trace of "Latin" - i.e. Italian, Spanish, French, the broad Mediterranean, type of blood - they are Indian. "Latino" is a way to Europeanize indigenous Indians, and it acts as if hailing from "Latin(e) Southern Europe" is obviously a good and desirable upgrade.

The larger point here is the US pattern of imposing a false construction on people from south of the Rio Grande, and that includes not just "Latin" but also the Indians north of it.

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Associated Press, whose style book is the dominant force in Journalism, promoted "Latino" and also forbade the use of the word "Indian" to describe non-Indian Indians last year.

Here's the problem with that: uniformly, Indians from America refer to themselves as "Indians".

I can see why - their grandparents, great-grandparents, and great-great-grandparents did the same. These generations, who had an illustrious history and culture, were perfectly aware that they were the "Native" Americans compared to whites and blacks, but they went with Indian anyway for centuries. We must remember that "Indian" is an expressly political concept - it is always "the nation of the such-and-such tribe". "Native American" under the guise of inclusiveness, removes this political/cultural/linguistic distinction which Indians chose and which clearly emphasizes their rejection of "America".

"Native American" says - "You are a citizen of America", many Indians respond, "I sure don't seem that way on the rez." However, use "Indian" today and you are disloyal, or an Indian.



SANTORAL DEFIANZ- A Los Angeles Pacheco-quick what European country did he come from? And please don't insult his Latino, Latin and Hispanic do not use any of these terms - they mostly define themselves by their nation. Latino is something American immigrants say, but I have yet to meet someone who uses "Latino", but this could be because when I work has no Latinos to teach their "Latin-American History" classes.

Back to "Native American" - it is this a disempowering term to control used by non-Indian whites to control Indian culture and their worldview. Perhaps it was made with the best of intentions, but aren't all of the US non-linguistic "bureaucratic interventions"?

"African-American" seems less problematic - at least they are getting past their skin color, and they are accurately denoting where these slave descendants first came from.

Because me, I want "Africa-america".

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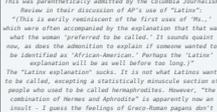
"This is eerily reminiscent of the first use of 'Ms.', which was often accompanied by the explanation that that was what the woman 'preferred' to be called. It sounds quaint now, so does the admission to explain if someone wanted to be identified as 'African-American.' Perhaps the 'Latino' explanation will be as well before too long.)

The "Latino explanation" sucks. It is not what Latinos want to be called, excepting a statistically minuscule section of people who used to be called hermaphrodites. However, "The combination of Hermes and Aphrodite" is apparently now an insult - I guess the feelings of Greek-Roman couples don't count, but the feelings of modern hermaphrodites do?

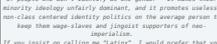
Certainly, "Latino" does not "make room" for the tiny portion of people who don't identify as one gender - it makes their minority ideology unfairly dominant, and it promotes colorist, non-class centered identity politics on the average person to keep them wage-slaves and jinx their supporters of neo-liberalism.

If you insist on calling me "Latino", I would prefer that you just not call me.

Show - it's not "making room" but creating distance already - that's the entire point of this "x" punniness.



Chicano actor Danny Trejo- "Machete"-with loyal friend. Tell him he's a "Latino" at your own risk.



Up to You.

^3000US citizens have no real political representation.

We don't live in a democracy. And our freedom is disappearing fast.

I don't want to be ruled by hypocrites, whores, and war criminals.

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