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This volume features four essays by history majors Priscilla Avitia, Tatiana Estrada, Johanna Morazan, and Donovan Wright. Originating with research projects in the History 490 capstone course, these essays represent a remarkable achievement in undergraduate research. Well done!