

# Women & Gender in the Cuban Revolution

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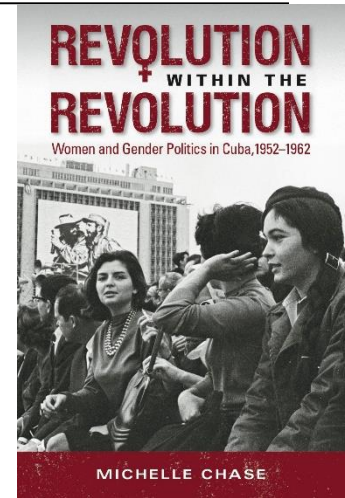
## Overall Goal/Purpose

Most accounts of the Cuban Revolution assume women were insignificant actors in the Revolution and that their emancipation was granted “from above” by the new leadership after 1959.

## Specific Research Aims

This research demonstrates for the first time that many women were involved in the revolutionary struggle. It argues that the post-revolutionary state turned to the “woman question” in

response to women’s demands and in response to the growing anti-communist opposition, which also tried to mobilize women, often successfully.



# The Ottoman Invention of Humanitarian Diplomacy: Hungarian and Polish Revolutionaries and Political Asylum, 1849-1851

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## Goal:

Examining the role of the Ottoman Empire in  
the modern history of "Humanitarianism" in  
European International Law

### Funding:

*National Endowment for the Humanities*

### Dissemination:

*Submission to peer-reviewed journal*

This research examines the rarely-considered history of Ottoman Empire's extension of political asylum to the Hungarian and Polish revolutionaries of 1848.

Although liberal European states such as France and Britain sheltered many more political refugees, it was the Ottoman insistence on the applicability of European international laws of asylum that introduced the universalist concept of "humanity" and "humanitarianism" into the political discourse of refugee protection and aid.