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Abstract:

Argentina's perceptive on women's rights and traditional gender roles is rooted in its historically "machismo" culture. While feminist movements have had some success in advancing women's rights, there are still obstacles in overcoming this overwhelming culture and achieving equality. The challenges that Argentine women face today are manifold: access to abortion is limited, violence against women is common, and economic opportunities for women are inferior. But as women's issues begin to garner attention in Argentina, there is promise that reform movements can evolve the country's views on women and achieve equality.

The purpose of this paper is to present research compiled through interviews and various sources regarding women's rights and the challenges women face in Argentina. Part I presents the history of women's rights in Argentina. Part II provides an in-depth discussion of the country's reproductive rights, with a focus on the country's 2019 Congressional debate on abortion. Part III discusses the actions Argentina has taken in recent years to address the problem of violence against women as well as the challenges that remain in reducing violence against women. Finally, Part IV explores the gender inequality in Argentina's labor and economic rights, evidencing the cultural and institutional forces perpetuating a gender pay gap and the recent movements towards achieving economic equality.