CENTER FOR LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES



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NEWS AND UPDATES

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship Applications Now Open

The Center for Latin American Studies is pleased to announce that it is now accepting applications for its Academic Year 2018-2019 Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship Competitions. Students are invited to attend one of the CLAS FLAS information sessions, to be held in 100 Enarson Classroom Building (2009 Millikin Road) on the following dates:

- · Monday, November 20, 2017, 5:30 6:30 p.m.
- · Wednesday, November 29, 2017, 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
- Thursday, December 7, 2017, 11:30 12:30 p.m.

RSVP to <u>clas@osu.edu</u> with your name and the date of the session you plan to attend. Any questions about the CLAS FLAS Fellowship program should be directed to Megan Hasting at <u>clas@osu.edu</u>.

The deadline for application submission is **Thursday**, **February 1**, **2018**, **4:30 pm EST**. For more information on the fellowship and application, please visit: <u>https://clas.osu.edu/FLAScompetition</u>.

Application Open for Boren Awards: Language Study and Research in Latin America

The application for the 2018 Boren Awards is now open at www.borenawards.org!

Boren Awards fund U.S. undergraduate and graduate language study and research abroad in world regions critical to U.S. national interests (including Africa, Asia, Central & Eastern Europe, Eurasia, Latin America, and the Middle East). Boren Awards promote longer-term linguistic and cultural immersion overseas, and are available to applicants in most fields of study.

Boren Awards will give preference to applicants planning to study in the Latin & South American countries of Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Peru, and Venezuela. There is also a stronger preference for study of the Portuguese or Haitian languages, for which there is no minimum proficiency requirement. Preference is also given to students who are willing to study abroad for longer periods of time, and those who are highly motivated to work in the federal government following graduation.

The Boren Scholarships provide up to \$20,000 for undergraduate students for language-focused study abroad.

The Boren Fellowships provide up to \$30,000 for graduate students to fund language study, graduate-level research, and academic internships abroad.

Applicants are encouraged to contact their Boren Awards campus representatives, listed in a directory on the website, for institution-specific guidance. They may also contact Boren Awards staff directly at 1-800-618-NSEP or <u>boren@iie.org</u>.

Call for Applications: Northwestern University Visiting Scholarships for Puerto Rican Students

The Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences and the Provost's Office, in collaboration with the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Program and the Latina and Latino Studies Program at Northwestern University, announce six Visiting Scholar positions in 2018 for scholars whose work has been disrupted by Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico. Given the devastation of the infrastructure across the Island, Northwestern University offers funding, time and space that can be devoted to scholarly work/writing. Our goal is to support our colleagues in Puerto Rico during this time of crisis.

The Latin American and Caribbean Studies Program and the Latina and Latino Studies Program will be considering applications for six 10-week (one academic quarter) residencies at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois.

Eligibility:

-These are intended to advanced doctoral candidates or faculty who are formally affiliated with a Puerto Rican college or university (as of September, 2017) -Intended for scholars in the Humanities and Social Sciences

Instructions to submit Application:

-An updated CV, including contact information (email address and phone number) -A one page statement describing your current situation of displacement, the need for the time and space for continuing your research and/or academic work, and how you will benefit from this residency.

How will your current scholarly work benefit from the residency? What are your goals? –Please specify the institution in Puerto Rico with which you are affiliated, the nature of

that affiliation (advanced graduate student, post-doctoral researcher, faculty), and the length of your affiliation.

-Please identify the department in Northwestern's College of Arts and Sciences that most closely aligns with your research

-Include what you expect to contribute to Puerto Rico (or its rebuilding) after you return from the residency.

DEADLINE: Friday, December 1, 2017. Please submit as attachment through email to: Latinao-studies@northwestern.edu. If you have any questions, please contact Carlos Ballinas at carlos.ballinas@northwestern.edu or Bianca Jiménez at bianca@northwestern.edu.

Call for Papers: Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies 65th Annual Conference

The Center for Latin American Studies at Vanderbilt University is pleased to host the 65th Annual Meeting of SECOLAS in Nashville, Tennessee from Thursday, March 8 to Sunday, March 11, 2018. SECOLAS invites faculty members, independent scholars, and students to submit panel and individual paper proposals for participation in the conference.

SECOLAS welcomes submissions on any aspect of Latin American and/or Caribbean Studies.

Graduate student presenters will be eligible to submit their paper for the Edward H. Moseley Student Paper Award for the best paper presented at the SECOLAS meeting.

After the conference, all presenters will be eligible to submit their paper for publication consideration in the SECOLAS Annals issue of The Latin Americanist, an international, peer-reviewed journal published by SECOLAS and Wiley Blackwell.

The deadline to submit proposals is November 15th, 2017. You can submit your proposals here: <u>https://www.formpl.us/form/5598200545148928</u>

Call for Papers: Indiana University's CLACS Graduate Conference

The IU Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies is pleased to announce the 7th Annual Graduate Student Conference: "Fights for the Future: Revisiting Politics, Perspectives and Place". The conference will take place between February 23rd and 24th, 2017, on the IU Bloomington campus and is open to students from all academic disciplines. We encourage the submission of abstracts that showcase original research that examines conflicts over social, political, cultural, economic, technological, and environmental change. The deadline for papers is Monday December 4th 2017. Information outlining the application process as well as relevant details on past conferences is available on our website: http://www.indiana.edu/~clacs/events/gsc/.

Help CLASP Support our Education Partners in Puerto Rico

In response to the devastating impact of Hurricane Maria on primary, secondary and post-secondary educational institutions in Puerto Rico, CLASP has established a task force to support our partners throughout the island. As part of a partnership network, CLASP task force members are consulting with institutional leaders and relief organizations in Puerto Rico to prioritize areas for resource sharing, compiling information on CLASP member institutions' efforts to provide scholar and student support, and brokering new partnerships for long-term collaboration and exchange between CLASP member institutions and our colleagues in Puerto Rico.

Contact CLASP Puerto Rico Task Force Co-Chairs for more information: Lenny Urena, University of Florida: <u>lurenavalerio@latam.ufl.edu</u>, and Beatriz Riefkohl Muniz, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill: <u>riefkohl@email.unc.edu</u>.

Volunteers Needed for High School Outreach Project

The Center for Latin American Studies is looking for Ohio State graduate or undergraduate students who would like to volunteer for an outreach project with Granville High School. We are looking for students from Latin America or who are doing research in Latin America to serve a resource for 12th grade students working on their senior research projects. Volunteers will participate in an informal discussion with students, serving as a resource throughout their project, and will be placed with one of 12 groups of students (representing Mexico, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, Argentina, Chile, Brazil, Colombia, Honduras, and Guatemala). Volunteers will also be expected to participate in the Research Day on campus January 25 or 26, 2018. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Megan Hasting at hasting.6@osu.edu.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Brazil and Portugal: 517 Years of Colonial Ghosts

Friday, November 17th | 2:20 pm Hagerty Hall room 255

The Department of Spanish and Portuguese is honored to present Alexandra Lucas Coelho as she delivers a talk in support of her new novel, "Brazil and Portugal: 517 Years of Colonial Ghosts." In this 568-page work, set in contemporary Rio de Janeiro, Coelho tries to unbury some ghosts of the colonial history that connects Portugal and Brazil, including the killing of at least one million Amerindians and what was by far the longest and largest experience of slave traffic between Europe, Africa and America.

4th Annual Wind and Stream: Bridging the Poetics of Korean and Andean Music

November 16, 2017 | MLK Auditorium, Room 132, Hale Hall Meet the performers, 2:45 pm - 4:00 pm Panel discussion, 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

November 17, 2017 | The Bronwynn Theatre, McConnell Arts Center of

Worthington

Dinner Reception at 5:30 pm Performance starts at 7:00 pm

This Andean-Korean panel and performance event is planned as a one-of-a-kind collaborative project that reflects OSU's vision of academic interdisciplinarity in the direaction of pedagogy and theory of performance, language, and culture. On November 16 starting at 2:45 in MLK Lounge, Hale Hall, we will explore questions about language, culture, poetics, performance, and pedagogy that emerge from intercultural comparison and shared intercultural presence and experience (convivencia) in a public diagogue and musical demonstration with performers and a subsequent panel discussion.

Then, join us on November 17 at the McConnell Arts Center in Worthington for a public performance by two Korean master musicians, students from the USO Korean percussion class, and acclaimed Andean music group KUYAYKY. The dinner reception begins at 5:30 p.m. and the performance at 7:00 p.m. Please reserve your seats early since space is limited. All events including the reception and performance are free and open to the general public.

Free and open to the public by ticketed reservations only. This event is expected to sell out so please <u>reserve your ticket</u> early!

GRANT AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Internship Opportunity: The Latin American News Digest

The Latin American News Digest is seeking qualified students for a limited number of internships for Spring 2018. Because the goal of the Digest is essentially a didactic one, to spread the word about news from Latin America, we feel strongly about providing the opportunity for students to participate in this process.

Student writers and researchers contribute to our weekly issues by aggregating and writing condensed versions of news articles found in Latin American sources. Ideally, internships happen in tandem with an independent study led by a faculty member of the appropriate department, but this is not a requirement. The result is an enriching experience for students who discover a variety of perspectives within the Latin American media.

Students will also have the opportunity to research and write their own aggregations, with their own bylines.

Interns should submit a letter of interest as an example of their writing skills to Dr. Jana M. DeJong (jdejong@hsc.edu). The names and contact information for two references must be included. The letter of interest and contact information for two references must be submitted by **November 16, 2017**.

For more information, please visit: <u>https://clas.osu.edu/news/internship-opportunity-latin-american-news-digest</u>

Crimson Cup Internship Opportunity for Spanish Majors/Minors

The Center for Languages, Literatures and Cultures is excited to offer a unique undergraduate internship program with Crimson Cup. This is an opportunity for Spanish majors and minors with an interest in agriculture, anthropology, and cultural studies to gain an understanding into the coffee industry with a possible



entry-level position upon graduation.

The CLLC/Crimson Cup Internship provides a Spanish major or minor an opportunity to learn about the coffee industry in general and responsible sourcing practices in particular. The student will bring language and cultural knowledge about Latin America to Crimson Cup. Crimson Cup, in turn, will provide opportunities for the student to serve as an interpreter and cultural broker

between Spanish-speaking farmers and Crimson Cup officials. In addition, Crimson Cup will offer the student an opportunity to become familiar with sustainable relationship and responsible sourcing practices in a corporate setting.

For more information: <u>https://clas.osu.edu/news/crimson-cup-internship-opportunity-spanish-majorsminors</u>

To apply, click <u>here</u>.

