



CENTER FOR LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES



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NEWSLETTER: Week of September 4, 2017

The Center for Latin American Studies is excited to welcome students, faculty, and staff back to campus for Autumn 2017. The weekly newsletter will keep viewers up-to-date on upcoming events, grant & scholarships, job openings, and other pertinent information of interest to Latin Americanists at Ohio State. To add items to the newsletter, please contact clas@osu.edu.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Brazil Lunch and Learn with Alexandre Nogueira

*Thursday, September 14, 2017
Mason Hall Rotunda
250 W. Woodruff Avenue
11:30 - 12:30 PM*

Doing Business in Brazil: Opportunities and Challenges in 2018 and Beyond

Alexandre Nogueira is the founder of IntertechRail, a company specializing in railroad technology with offices in Coral Gables, Florida and operations and manufacturing facilities in several countries. He has worked extensively in matters involving rail technology, logistics, and international trade with developing countries.

He earned his bachelor's degree in electronics engineering from Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil (USP), his MBA in international business from Fundação Getulio Vargas,

Brazil (FGV) and his Master in Business Logistics Engineering from the Fisher College of Business at The Ohio State University.

This event is organized by the Fisher College of Business, Ohio State Brazil Gateway, and Business Builders Club.

Brazil Reception at Ohio State

Thursday, September 14, 2017

TRISM Cafe

1636 North High Street

5:30 - 8:30 PM

Join us to celebrate all things Brazilian!

Students, alumni, faculty, partners and friends are invited to network and have fun with the Brazilian community. Learn how to get involved with the Brazilian Student Association on campus and discover Portuguese courses available from the Center for Latin American Studies and the Department of Spanish & Portuguese, including the **NEW EDUCATION ABROAD** program in Curitiba, Brazil.

Did you know Curitiba is Columbus' Brazilian sister city?! Learn more with the Columbus Sister City, Curitiba Committee at the reception!

Hors d'oeuvres will be provided.

Global Migration Discussion Group for K-12 Teachers

The five area studies centers in the Office of International Affairs at The Ohio State University have collaborated to create the Global Migration Discussion Group for K12 teachers.

In these meetings, we will explore trends in migration in Africa, East Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East. Each meeting will include a presentation on migration from a regional perspective, pre-assigned readings, and discussion. Teachers are invited to attend as many sessions as they'd like and are eligible to earn a contact hours' certificate for each session attended.

Meetings will be held in Enarson Classroom Building 160, from 10:00am-12:00pm on the following Saturdays:

September 30: Center for Slavic and East European Studies presents:

Resilience in the Face of Exclusion: Irregular Migration on the Closed "Balkan Route" by Kathryn Metz

October 21: Middle East Studies Center presents:

Gendered Narratives of Syrian Migrants by Dr. Isis Nusair (Denison University)

RSVP to Kathryn Metz if you would like to attend.

Education Abroad Info Session: Study Abroad in Curitiba, Brazil!



Wednesday, September 13, 4:30 PM
100 Enarson Classroom Building

Program Highlights

- Enjoy the Brazilian summer and Carnival!
- Complete your GE foreign language requirement in one semester
- Complete an additional GE in Cultures and Ideas/Diversity: Global Studies
- The cost is less than \$8,000 (cheaper than studying and living on the Columbus campus for one semester)

The deadline to apply for Spring 2018 is October 1, 2017.

GRANT AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduate Research Assistant Position, Office of International Affairs

The Office of International Affairs is hiring a graduate student (preferably a doctoral student) for AY 2017-18 and will be a 50% GRA appointment.

The GRA will work closely with the Senior Research Associate on research and assessment projects related to international education programs at the university. Through participating in research projects and independent assignments, the GRA is expected to learn various aspects of program evaluation and assessment practices and become familiar with study abroad, global engagement and other international programs at the Office of International Affairs as well as current issues and trends in international education.

Basic requirements:

- Academic background in social science, statistics or related fields
- Experience in research, data analysis and literature review
- Proficiency in Excel, SPSS/SAS

Desirable qualifications:

- Doctoral students in social science, statistics or related fields
- Experience with survey development
- International experience and/or experience in international education
- Excellent writing skills

For more information, please contact Cindy Jiang (jiang.533@osu.edu).

The RFP is now open for [Affordable Learning Exchange \(ALX\) grants](#)! ALX is a cross-campus partnership between the Office of Distance Education and eLearning, University Libraries, Undergraduate Student Government, and the University Center for the Advancement of Teaching.

The ALX grant program is looking for projects of all sizes, from high-enrollment GE courses to small seminars and everything in between. Their goal is to continue to support the excellent and innovative teaching and learning practices of our faculty, while providing significant savings for our students in the process. Award amounts are flexible based on a project's needs, and there are varying levels of support available. Grants may require matching funds.

[Submit a Proposal](#) (deadline: September 8)

Organization of American States Internship Program

Why intern at the Organization of American States? The OAS is the main political forum of the region that promotes and supports democracy, human rights, security, and integral development in the Americas. The OAS seeks to prevent conflicts and to bring political stability, social inclusion and prosperity to the region through dialogue and collective action. The deadline to apply to the Winter/Spring session is September 17th.

[Apply now!](#)

NEWS AND UPDATES

2018 Community Engagement Conference Call for Proposals

Proposals are now being accepted for Ohio State's inaugural Community Engagement Conference, taking place January 24-25, 2018 in the Ohio Union. Building on the success of the Extension Annual Conference and the university's Engagement Forum, the conference will bring together faculty, staff, students and community partners to focus on professional development and networking, while exploring new potential engagement partnerships. The theme of this year's conference is Partnering to Advance Health and Wellness. Proposals are due October 30, 2017.

Submit a proposal and learn more at engage.osu.edu/conference
Contact: lewis.485@osu.edu or morrison.332@osu.edu

Featured blog: *Inti Raymi*, by Kerri Packwood

CLAS recently organized a "Teaching the Andes" Fulbright-Hays Group Projects Abroad program that sent twelve K-12 educators to Ecuador and Peru for a one-month intensive curriculum project.

Check out Kerri Packwood's recent blog post on the Inti Raymi festival!

"We arrived on one of the side streets and began walking towards the square (la Plaza

Gutiérrez) of a city in Ecuador called Cotacachi, located at the foot of volcano Cotacachi, where we would observe one of the Inti Raymi festivals specifically reserved for children's participation. As we approached the square, the sounds of the twin flutes, boots stomping in unison, and singing became louder and louder and drew in our group of 13. The words we had read about Inti Raymi, the summer harvest festival, were coming to life before our eyes."

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Meet our CLAS Student Assistants

CLAS will be featuring one of our student assistants in the newsletter per month.



Kirstie Sippola is a fourth year double majoring in International Studies and Spanish. This summer, she interned for Polaris, an anti-human trafficking nonprofit, and hopes to continue to work in violence against women after graduation. In her free time, Kirstie enjoys reading (currently, she's reading Angela Davis's autobiography), writing (though not well), and conducting research on medieval warfare and politics (watching Game of Thrones). She looks forward to studying abroad next summer in Valparaíso, Chile, and is very excited at the opportunity to work for CLAS and is looking forward to the rest of the semester!

Sign up for the Andean Music Ensemble

As you settle into your autumn course and service schedules, consider signing up for the Andean Music Ensemble!

- 1 credit grad/undergrad course
- Thursdays 10:20-12:25 in MLK Lounge in Hale Hall
- No music or language experience is necessary to sign up.

The course offers an applied approach to language learning (Spanish, Quechua, Aymara) and intersects with methodologies explored through the Humanities Institute "Performance as Pedagogy" Working Group.

****Graduate students who sign up for the ensemble for a minimum of two (2) semesters are eligible to lead the MÁS ALLÁ summer camp for high school students (Music and Spanish in the Andes Language Learning Academy). MÁS ALLÁ was successfully piloted in summer of 2017 and is anticipated to run again in summer of 2018. The camp provides an opportunity for paid summer work for two**

graduate students.

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