



April 2008 Calendar

Center for Latin American Studies
University Center for International Studies
University of Pittsburgh

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CLAS Honors Day - Come celebrate academic year 2007-08!

Join CLAS students, faculty and staff to recognize honors received and goals achieved.

Keynote Speaker: Alejandro de la Fuente (Associate Professor, Department of History)

Date: Wednesday, April 16, 2008

Time: 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Location: Kurtzman Room, William Pitt Union, University of Pittsburgh

For more information: contact Shirley Kregar at kregar@pitt.edu

Conferences/Symposia at Pitt

Fifth International Latin American Cultural Studies Conference— Narco-Epics Unbound: New Narrative Territories, Affective Aesthetics, and Ethical Paradox

Narco-Epics designate transnational narrative formations that emerged, during the 1980s and 1990s, throughout (Latin) American literature, music, film and testimony. This dynamic realm conveys images and affective configurations of shattered life— existences that are massively endangered by privation, proliferating marginalities and informal labor, and illicit global flows, together with paradoxical forms of communitarian resistance and social deviance. Narco-epics address some of the most intricate issues of philosophy and ethics today. To what extent does globalization rely on an unequal distribution of guilt and fear throughout the world? How can those territories, in which the proximity of violence, religiosity and "bare life" seems to displace modernity's civilian core, be understood? And how can aesthetic thinking recover the immanent political value of life? This conference brings together an array of renowned international scholars and artists to address these questions.

Sponsored by the Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, the Center for Latin American Studies, the University Center for International Studies, the School of Arts and Sciences—Office of the Dean, the Cultural Studies Program, the Department of English, the Film Studies Program, and the Instituto Internacional de Literatura Iberoamericana.

Dates: April 4 - 5, 2008

Location: Main Dining Room, Pittsburgh Athletic Association (intersection of Fifth Avenue and Bigelow Boulevard, Oakland)

For more information: contact Deborah Truhan, dtruhan@pitt.edu

For details on sessions: please visit <http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/events/Narco-Epics-April2008-Program.pdf>

Discourses of "Jewishness", A Symposium on Jewish Identity and Representation

Keynote Address: "Do You Consider Yourself a Jewish Writer", by **Dara Horn** (Award-winning novelist of *In the Image* and *The World to Come*)

Date: Sunday, March 30, 2008

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Room 1501, Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Symposium

Date: Monday, March 31, 2008

Time: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Location: Room 2501, Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

For details on sessions, please visit: http://www.pitt.edu/~jsp/jsp_home.html

Symposium: The Slave Ship in History and Literature

A conversation with **Barry Unsworth** (author, *Sacred Hunger*) and **Marcus Rediker** (author, *The Slave Ship: A Human History*)

With commentary by:

- ◆ **Jerome Branche** (Hispanic Languages & Literatures, University of Pittsburgh)
- ◆ **Edda Fields-Black** (History, Carnegie Mellon University)
- ◆ **Rebecca Shumway** (History, University of Pittsburgh)
- ◆ **Stefan Wheelock** (English, University of Pittsburgh)

Sponsored by the Dean's Office of the School of Arts and Sciences and the Department of History.

Date: Wednesday, April 2, 2008

Time: 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Location: 2500 Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

For more information: contact the Department of History, 412 648 7451

Conference on André Gunder Frank's Legacy of Critical Social Science

This international conference honors the life and work of André Gunder Frank, a pioneer in global analysis in history and social science. He died at age 76 in April 2005 after more than fifty years of prodigious output in economic and social analysis of global interaction. The conference will gather the major scholars with whom Frank has worked and debated, to remember his contributions, to take stock, and to identify future directions of study. It also provides encouragement for scholars of all ages and disciplines to take the next steps in debate and documentation of these key social issues.

Featured Speakers: Giovanni Arrighi, Christopher Chase-Dunn, Barry K. Gills, Kenneth Pomeranz, Anibal Quijano, Kaoru Sugihara, and Immanuel Wallerstein.

Fees: On-site registration

- General \$60
- Student \$30

Dates: April 11 - 13, 2008

Location: David Lawrence Hall, University of Pittsburgh

For more information: contact Erin McGrath (Conference Coordinator),
agfrank@pitt.edu

For details on sessions: please visit

<http://www.worldhistorynetwork.org/dev/agfrank-program.htm>

Lecture/Film Series/Programs at Pitt

The 7th Annual Brazilian Festival: Brazil through History

Join us for two days in celebration of Brazil: Lectures, music, great food, dancing, raffle prizes, and much more! Hosted by the Brazil Nuts Portuguese Club

For more information please write to: brazil@pitt.edu

Lecture Series

Date: Tuesday, April 1, 2008

Location: Room 837, William Pitt Union, University of Pittsburgh

10:00 a.m. – Bobby Chamberlain, “Brazilian Fiction: Something for All Reading Tastes”

11:00 a.m. – Reid Andrews, “Race and Affirmative Action in Brazil”

12:00 p.m. – Kavin Paulraj, “Music, Protest and Youth Culture in Urban Brazil: Reggae and Hip Hop”

Brazilian Festival

Performances by Brazil Nuts Dance Group, Pitt Capoeira, the Latin American Cultural Union, Timbeleza (percussion group), and Grupo de Musica Popular Brasileira (singing group)

Date: Friday, April 4, 2008

Time: 6:00 - 11:00 p.m.

Location: David Lawrence Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Suggested Donation: \$2.00 (proceeds to benefit the Santos family and their son Artur, <http://www.rmhcpg.org/families.html>)

Amigos del Cine Latinoamericano Film Series

The Center for Latin American Studies, the Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, and the Eduardo Lozano Latin American Library Collection are sponsoring Amigos del Cine Latinoamericano Film Series – “New Millennium”. All films in the series were produced in the last decade and focus on contemporary issues from throughout Latin America including Peru, Bolivia, Venezuela, Colombia, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, Cuba, and Costa Rica. Each film will be introduced by a specialist or by the director.

Some films may not be suitable for younger viewers.

Please check the website for details and film descriptions at:

<http://amigosdelcinelatinoamericano2008.blogspot.com>

For more information: amigoscinelatinoamericano08@gmail.com

Thursday, April 3, 2008

Film: *Caribe* (Director Esteban Ramirez, Costa Rica, 2004)

Presenter: Marcelo Rioseco

Time: 8:30 p.m.

Location: Frick Fine Arts Auditorium, University of Pittsburgh

Thursday, April 10, 2008

Film: *Suite Habana* (Director Fernando Pérez, Cuba, 2003)

Presenter: Alejandro de la Fuente, History

Time: 8:30 p.m.

Location: Frick Fine Arts Auditorium, University of Pittsburgh

Thursday, April 17, 2008

Film: *Onibus 174 (Bus 174)* (Director José Padilha, Brazil, 2002)

Presenter: Carolina Rueda, Hispanic Languages and Literatures

Time: 8:30 p.m.

Location: Frick Fine Arts Auditorium, University of Pittsburgh

Thursday, April 24, 2008

Film: *Madame Sata* (Director Karim Ainouz, Brazil, 2002)

Presenter: Reid Andrews, History

Time: 8:30 p.m.

Location: Assembly Room, William Pitt Union, University of Pittsburgh

Latino Law Day

This program is especially designed for high school and college school students from the Pittsburgh area who have an interest in learning about a career in the legal profession. Students will have an opportunity to tour the school, attend law school classes, and hear from a panel of guest speakers, including the Director of Law School Admissions, attorneys, judges, and law school students.

Date: Tuesday, April 8, 2008

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Location: School of Law, University of Pittsburgh

For more information: 412 721 6275, alexventura@gmail.com

Summer Intensive Language Study in Portuguese at Pitt

The Center for Latin American Studies (CLAS) will offer an intensive program in Brazilian Portuguese at the University of Pittsburgh campus in the summer of 2008. This six-week program provides beginning students with the equivalent of a full first year of Portuguese language training. Six credits will be awarded upon successful completion. Classes will be conversationally oriented; however, reading and writing skills also will be developed. Classes meet Monday through Friday from 10:00 am to 2:30 pm (May 12- June 21, 2008). At least five additional hours of Portuguese language instruction will be conducted as a field class in the evenings or on weekends. (Total contact hours=140+) Films and informal activities will provide additional language practice.

For more information: <http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/students/Summer-FLASF.pdf>

Other Lectures/Seminars/Programs in the Pittsburgh Area

Lecture by Junot Diaz

Carnegie Mellon University's *Activities Board* (AB) Lectures is proud to bring you Junot Diaz, author of bestselling "Drown", a collection of short stories about his native Dominican Republic, and the 2007 novel *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao*. *Time Magazine* hailed "Oscar Wao" as "astoundingly great", the *Star Tribune* praised it as "a preview of what the next generation of English might look like". Diaz is a professor at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Date: Monday, March 31, 2008

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: McConomy Auditorium, University Center, Carnegie Mellon University

For more information: please visit <http://www.activitiesboard.org/>

Carnegie Mellon International Film Festival

Theme: "Faces of Mechanization"

Film: *La Antena (The Aerial)* (Directed by Esteban Sapir, Argentina, 2007, 90 min)

Acclaimed Argentinean writer-director Esteban Sapir gives us a noir glimpse into the wintry Metropolis homes of three families living in the year X. The scene is a voiceless world with television as the primary controlling force. People watch TV. People eat TV meals. The merciless Mr. TV monopolizes both word and image while working on a sinister hypnotic machine to ensure his power. He kidnaps the only "voice" - that of a stunningly beautiful singer. Though shot in black-and-white, silent-film style, with influences of German Expressionism, Spain's Bunuel, Germany's Lang, Russia's Vertov, and France's Melies, "The Antenna" offers a very modern film invention.

Showings:

Date: Friday, April 4, 2008

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Melwood Screening Room, 477 Melwood Avenue, North Oakland
Opening Night Reception to follow film

Date: Friday, April 11, 2008

Time: 7:50 p.m.

Location: Squirrel Hill Theatre, 5824 Forward Avenue, Squirrel Hill

Date: Friday, April 4, 2008

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Manor Theatre, 1729 Murray Avenue, Squirrel Hill

Cost: Regular Admission \$7; \$3 w/ Student ID. Festival Pass \$30; \$15 w/ Student ID, Special Admission for April 4th film and opening reception \$8; \$5 w/ Student ID

For more information: contact Jolanta Lion (Festival Director), jola@andrew.cmu.edu, 412 445 6292 or for entire film festival schedule www.cmu.edu/faces/

Lecture Series featuring Benedicto Martínez Orozco

Benedicto Martínez Orozco, one of the most important leaders of Mexico's independent trade union movement will be speaking on topics ranging from the impact of NAFTA and globalization on Mexican workers to the relationship of solidarity with the Pittsburgh-based United Electrical Workers (UE), which led Mexican unions to support the struggle of public sector workers in North Carolina for collective bargaining rights. Martínez is co-president of the Frente Auténtico del Trabajo (FAT) and vice president of the independent labor federation, the Union Nacional de Trabajadores (UNT).

The series of programs in Pittsburgh is being sponsored by: *the United Electrical Workers (UE); United Steelworkers (USW); National Lawyers Guild Pittsburgh and University of Pittsburgh chapters; Thomas Merton Center; and Latino Catholic Community (St. Hyacinth).*

For more information: 412 471 8919 or international@ranknfile-ue.org

Sunday, April 6, 2008

Title: "Defending the Rights of Mexican Workers"

Time: 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Location: St. Hyacinth Church building, 2nd floor, 3201 Craft Place, Oakland

Monday, April 7, 2008

Title: "The Impact of Free Trade: Lessons from NAFTA, Opposition to FTA Colombia"

This presentation will also include USW attorney Dan Kovalik, who recently returned from Colombia. Lunch hosted by the USW

Time: 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Location: 1st floor conference room, Five Gateway Center, Downtown Pittsburgh

To make a reservation please **RSVP** to: sdomike@usw.org or 412 562 2559 by

Wednesday, April 2, 2008

Title: "The Impact of Globalization on Mexican Workers"

Time: 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Location: Dowd Room, University Center, Carnegie Mellon University

Tuesday, April 8, 2008

Title: "International Labor Solidarity: Using International Law to Defend the Rights of U.S. workers"

This presentation will also include UE attorney Joseph Cohen who handled cases before the ILO and under the labor side agreement of NAFTA (NAALC) and UE International Affairs Director Robin Alexander.

Time: 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Location: Room 113, School of Law, University of Pittsburgh

Other Conferences

11th Latin Conference: Innovation for Growth

Dates: April 4 - 5, 2008

Location: Wong Auditorium, Tang Center, MIT

For more information: www.mitsloanlatinconference.com

Sponsored by the Latin Business Club of MIT Sloan

Toward Global Excellence in the 21st Century: Development, Environment, and Pathways of Cooperation a conference hosted by Edinboro University of Pennsylvania

Dates: April 10 - 12, 2008

For more information:

<http://www.edinboro.edu/cwis/history/Callforproposals1207.pdf>

XIV Annual Mexican Conference

Title: "The Other Mexicos/Los Otros Méxicos"

This year's conference will be dedicated to the discussion of marginal portrayals of Mexico, unconventional modes of representation, and discourses that challenge the dominant views of national and supranational, familiar forms of identity. This conference will feature **Carlos Montemayor**, a well known writer who is also a major editor, critic, and promoter of contemporary literature written in Indigenous languages; **Natalia Toledo Paz**, a poet from Juchitán, Oaxaca, who writes in Zapotec; as well as academics from the U.S. and Mexico who are conducting research on themes related to this topic.

Dates: April 10 - 12, 2008

Location: University of California, Irvine

For more information: www.humanities.uci.edu/spanishandportuguese/mexconf/

11th Annual Ohio State University Symposium on Hispanic and Luso-Brazilian Literatures, Cultures, and Linguistics

Theme: (RE) DEFINING IDENTITIES IN MOMENTS OF TRANSITION

Keynote speaker in Literature: Prof. **Rocío Quispe-Agnoli**, Michigan State University

Keynote speaker in Linguistics: Prof. **Richard Cameron**, University of Illinois at Chicago

The fee will be \$35 for graduate students and \$50 for faculty if paid after **April 4th**

(Registration fee can be paid by check or money order cashiers' check. Make checks payable to the Department of Spanish and Portuguese, OSU)

Dates: April 18 - 19, 2008

For more information: <http://sppo.osu.edu/newsOutreach/yr2006-07/symposium/>

Constituting Places: Movement and Trajectories in Latin America

What kind of place is Latin America? As a geographic region, the urban, rural, natural and manmade landscapes and sites that make up Latin America have been shaped as much by struggles to define national territories, ethnic boundaries and social frontiers, as they have by the unceasing movement of people, commodities, capital and substances across the very borders and boundaries that regulate our imagination of place and location. By drawing our attention to movement, appropriations, and the traces left by social memory and material transformation, such flows of people, ideas,

images and ideals challenge us to rethink the character of place and its attendant values of belonging, origin, formation and identity.

Date: April 25, 2008

Location: Homewood Campus, Baltimore MD

For more information: <http://anthropology.jhu.edu/plas/conference.html>

Vanguardia Latina 2008, "The Americas: A Hemisphere in Motion"

The Inter-University Program for Latino Research (IUPLR) is partnering again this year with Espacio de Vinculación to recruit participants for its upcoming conference Espacio USA: Vanguardia Latina.

Espacio USA: Vanguardia Latina is a forum designed to build and strengthen links between the future leaders of Latin America and the U.S. It fosters true intercontinental relations. The goal of the 2008 conference is to create a platform of dialogue and action with experts in different fields, united by a commitment for a plural and inclusive continental agenda. This annual forum denotes an intense bilingual interaction that tackles highly relevant subjects and seeks solutions for the constant challenges the region faces, both internally and in the global competition arena.

Requirements

U.S. Latino or Latin American College Senior or Graduate Student At least a 3.3 GPA

Hotel expenses (including breakfast and at least two luncheons) will be covered.

Other expenses will be the responsibility of participants

Dates: April 29 - May 2, 2008

Location: Washington, DC

For more information:

http://i.esmas.com/documento/0/000/002/028/Programa_VL_071228_ingls.pdf

Canadian Association for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CALACS) – "At the Crossroads of Empire"

Latin America and the Caribbean have been profoundly shaped by the rise and fall of Empires, from pre-Columbian civilizations to European expansionism and on to US strategies for hemispheric supremacy. Yet the region has also been a crucial site for the articulation of movements of resistance to imperial projects. The global political fields of the early 21st century are now posing new, challenging questions about the social, cultural, and political dimensions of such processes on the continent.

Dates: June 4 - 7, 2008

Location: Vancouver, British Columbia (Canada)

For more information: <http://www.sfu.ca/las/calacs-2008/>

Symposium on Teaching Indigenous Languages of Latin America

The Minority and Indigenous Languages and Cultures of Latin America Program (MLCP) & the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CLACS) at Indiana University are in process of organizing the First Biannual Symposium on Teaching Indigenous Languages of Latin America (STILLA-2008).

Date: August 14 - 16, 2008

Location: Bloomington, Indiana

For more information: <http://www.iub.edu/~mlcp/stilla/contact.php>

32nd Annual German Studies Association Convention

A series of panels on "DEFA and Latin America: East German Perspectives on Latin America/Latin American Perspectives on the GDR in Film"

The last few years have seen a resurgence of interest in the production of DEFA and the film culture of the German Democratic Republic. This interest begs the question of thematic and methodological approaches to the cinema of a country that no longer exists. How do we relate DEFA to other states' national cinemas? To what ends? One potentially fruitful approach is to examine the relationship of DEFA to Marxist notions of international solidarity with the "Third World," which were central to the GDR's self-definition as a socialist state.

Dates: October 2 - 5, 2008

Location: St. Paul, MN

For more information: Hunter Bivens (ahbivens@gmail.com), Jennifer Hosek (jhosek@queensu.ca), and Jamie Trnka (trnkaj2@scranton.edu).

Calls for Papers

XIII International Congress of CLAD on State and Public Administration Reform

CLAD and the Government of Argentina, through its Public Management Secretariat (SGP), Ministers Cabinet Staff (JGM), are pleased to announce the celebration of the "XIII International Congress of CLAD on State and Public Administration Reform".

Date: November 4 - 7, 2008

Location: Buenos Aires, Argentina

For this Congress, six thematic areas will be approached:

- ◆ Conceptual innovations and best practices to promote quality and excellence in public management
- ◆ Political-institutional strategies and reforms to increase the capacity of government in democracy
- ◆ Formation of leadership and directive capacities for the institutional strengthening in the public sector
- ◆ Public employment and professionalization of civil service for the promotion of development
- ◆ The challenges of the electronic government to universalize digital citizenship
- ◆ Intergovernmental coordination of public policies and compensation of territorial imbalances

Panel proposals should be submitted by electronic form to CLAD's General Secretariat before **April 14, 2008**.

For more information: www.clad.org.ve/congreso/congri.html

Southeast Conference on Amazonian and Andean Studies

The Program for Caribbean and Latin American Studies, together with the Center for Interdisciplinary Studies, the Department of Anthropology, and the Department of Languages, Linguistics and Comparative Literature, Florida Atlantic University, will host the *Southeast Conference on Amazonian and Andean Studies*, on September 19-20, 2008. The purpose of the conference is to bring together scholars in the region who work on Amazonian and Andean studies, with the intent to found an association and

annual or semi-annual conference. We are open to presentations on topics from a variety of disciplines, including: archaeology, cultural anthropology, economics, cultural studies, environmental studies, gender studies, linguistics, history, languages, literature, visual and media studies and political science.

Two renowned scholars of Amazonian and Andean Studies have agreed to deliver keynote addresses:

- ◆ **Regina Harrison**, University of Maryland, College Park
- ◆ **Norman Whitten**, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign

In addition, FAU will also be hosting the traveling art exhibition, *Of Rage and Redemption: The Art of Oswaldo Guayasamín*, which will open on the first night of our conference. We extend a special invitation to scholars to propose panels or papers on the work of this important Andean artist and related topics.

We welcome individual paper and panel proposals.

Send abstracts of 250 words or less by **April 30, 2008** to: Dr. Michael J. Horswell, horswell@fau.edu or

Dr. Rachel Corr, rcorr@fau.edu

The Global South 3.2: Latin America and Globalization

The Global South is an interdisciplinary journal, published by Indiana University Press. Focusing on the literatures and cultures of those parts of the world that have experienced the most political, social, and economic upheaval, and which have suffered the brunt of the greatest challenges facing the world under globalization, it serves as a signifier of oppositional subaltern cultures ranging from Africa, Central and Latin America, much of Asia, and even those "Souths" within a larger perceived North, such as the U.S. South, the Caribbean, and Mediterranean Europe. The journal equally emphasizes those populations marginalized within the U.S. as it increasingly becomes the face and voice of globalization: immigrants, women of color, and other vulnerable minorities. Each issue of *The Global South* will contain original work by some of the foremost scholars from around the world, addressing the most vital political, cultural, and material issues of our time. **The current Call for Papers is for a special issue on Latin America.**

Latin America is a culturally rich and complex society due to a blend of multiple ways of life and ethnic identities, including European, African, and Native American. Resultantly, a discussion of Latin America in relation to Globalization must account for the rich diversity of Latin America in language, literature, history, religion, culture, economy, science, and technology. *The Global South* 3:2: Latin America and Globalization will feature responses to globalization by scholars in Latin American studies all over the world. The editors of this special issue, Adetayo Alabi (University of Mississippi) and Niyi Afolabi (University of Massachusetts at Amherst) invite high-quality original essays. As consistent with the journal's interdisciplinary scope, we welcome submissions from scholars working in all areas of Latin American studies.

This Special Issue of *The Global South* is scheduled for publication in August 2009. Please submit abstracts along with a short bio by **May 30, 2008**. Essays should be 25-35 double-spaced pages long and should follow the MLA style, final drafts of essays by October 31, 2008.

Send all inquires to: Adetayo Alabi at aalabi@olemiss.edu, and Niyi Afolabi at afolabix@yahoo.com

Summer Intensive Language Programs

The Center for Latin American Studies at the **University of Florida** will offer a summer intensive immersion language program in **Garifuna** from June 30-August 8, 2008. The program will be conducted on the University of Florida campus from June 30 -July 26 and then on site in Honduras and Belize from July 27 - August 8, 2008. This is an FLAS-approved summer language program.

Full program details and applications instructions will be posted shortly at:

<http://www.latam.ufl.edu>

Please direct all inquiries to **Elizabeth Lowe** (Associate Director of Latin American Studies at the University of Florida), elowe@latam.ufl.edu or 352 392 0375 ext 809

The Center for Latin American Studies at the **University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign** will offer a summer intensive language program in **Quechua** that will be conducted on the campus. The program will be offered from June 9 - August 2, 2008 by Prof. Sixto Clodoaldo Soto, a native Quechua speaker from Peru, a linguist with vast experience in teaching, and author of teaching materials. This is an FLAS-approved summer language program.

Full program details and application instructions can be found at:

<http://www.clacs.uiuc.edu/quechua/summer.html>

Please direct all inquiries to **Renata Johnson** (Outreach Coordinator at the Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies), renata@uiuc.edu or 217 244 2790

The Andes and Amazon Field School on the Río Napo in the Ecuadorian rainforest will offer **Intensive Ecuadorian Quichua**.

When:

Summer Session 1: June 6 - June 30

Summer Session 2: July 4 - July 28, 2008

For: Graduate and undergraduate students from any college or university.

Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced Quichua taught in a community where Quichua is the language of every day conversation. Students are housed in a rustic resort with electricity and indoor plumbing overlooking the beautiful Napo River. The resort includes a 1,600 acre rainforest reserve immediately accessible for recreation and research. Participants may also take field courses in Ethnobotany, Amazonian culture, Medical Anthropology, carry out an internship, participate in an Amazonian ceramics workshop, or gain skills in GIS mapping of the rainforest. Faculty include: Tod Swanson, Kathleen DeWalt, Dennis McKenna, native speaker Quichua language instructors and visiting lecturers.

Cost: \$1,500 for one session or \$3,000 for both includes all meals, lodging, excursions and ground transportation in Ecuador. Not included: airfare and tuition. For ASU tuition see: <http://andes.asu.edu>. Application deadline: April 15, 2008. Applications will be accepted after the due date until all spaces are filled. To date 156 undergraduates and 120 graduate students from 70 colleges and universities have attended the Field School. 66 graduate students have been funded by FLAS Fellowships.

For more information: contact Tod Swanson (Department of Religious Studies, Arizona State University), 480 965 4057, tod.swanson@asu.edu or visit the website:

<http://andes.asu.edu>

Jointly sponsored by Arizona State University and the Center for Latin American Studies at the University of Pittsburgh

Study Abroad & Research Opportunities

Study Abroad – Summer

The Center for Cross-Cultural Study offers the following 4-week long, 4-credit program in Córdoba, Argentina, this summer:

- Intermediate II & Advanced Spanish language classes at Universidad Blas Pascal
- 4-credit intensive language and culture courses
- Doubles as the Intensive Period of the Fall Semester Program
- Homestays, excursions, supplementary educational travel opportunities, support of Resident Director
- Merit and diversity scholarships available

Application deadline: May 1, 2008

Program website: www.cccs.com/argentina

For more information: Katharine Williams (katharine@cccs.com), Institutional Relations Director, The Center for Cross-Cultural Study

Mexican Solidarity Network

Join us on a unique study abroad opportunity to learn, exchange ideas, and dialogue with Mexico's historic and active social movements! Get to know about indigenous communities struggling for autonomy and democracy in Southern Mexico. Develop strong Spanish Language skills, with an emphasis on oral communication and comprehension.

Application Deadlines: Fall 2008 - June 15, 2008

For more information: <http://www.mexicosolidarity.org>

Study Abroad Opportunities with Amizade

Serve and Learn in communities around the world!

- Community-driven service
- University credits
- Diverse course subjects and country locations
- Most affordable programs of their kind; Financial Aid available

Upcoming Opportunities:

- Connect with community organizations while earning 15 credits in the beautiful and politically exciting Andean city of Cochabamba, Bolivia (Spring Semester)
- Learn about globalization from the perspective of a rural Jamaican community while serving with their leading nonprofit organization (Winter Break)
- Work with a locally developed and sustained guide school in Chilean Patagonia while learning and teaching about outdoor education and sustainable living (Winter Break)

For more information: www.globalservicelearning.org

Volunteer with Amigos de las Americas

We would like to make you aware of a 40-year-old not-for-profit organization that arranges for U.S. College and high school students to participate in community service programs in Latin America. *Amigos de las Americas* builds partnerships to advance community development and strengthen multi-cultural understanding in the Americas. Because it is volunteer-driven, *Amigos* makes a strong effort to keep the cost of participation low and to extend the opportunity as widely as possible. Scholarships are available. Beginning in late June, you can have the opportunity to work on a 5-8 week community service project in Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay or Uruguay through *Amigos de las Americas*.

Requirements: A reasonable level of Spanish (the equivalent of 2 years of high school)

For more information: <http://www.amigoslink.org/>

Field School in Cultural Anthropology, Clarion University, Summer I 2008

Anthropology 425: Field School in Cultural Anthropology, will be offered during the Summer I session as an immersive course in Ecuadorian cultures. We will spend the first three weeks of Summer I (June 2 – June 22) in Ecuador. During this three-week expedition, students will live with local families as they learn about indigenous Ecuadorian cultures. There will be opportunities for students to tailor their research to their own interests. The course material includes research methods in cultural anthropology, the study of the local cultures, and student participation in field research. Upon return to the US, students will prepare a final research report (there will be no class meetings after 6/22).

The total cost for the trip is estimated at about \$3,000, including airfare, Clarion tuition and fees, and housing, transportation, activities and most meals in Ecuador. (This estimate does not include passport fees and spending money. It may change due to airfare changes and the exact cost of summer tuition in 2008).

This is a three-credit Clarion University course. Prerequisite for the course is 6 credits in anthropology or permission of instructor. Some Spanish is highly recommended but not required.

For more information: contact **Dr. Laurie Occhipinti**, locchipinti@clarion.edu, 724-393-2548

Fellowship & Internship Opportunities

UNC – Chapel Hill & Duke University Summer Research Fellowships

The UNC and Duke Consortium in Latin American and Caribbean Studies announces its competition for Summer Research Fellowships for the summer of 2008. With Title VI funds from the US Department of Education, the Consortium will award at least three fellowships of up to \$1,000 each to faculty from four-year colleges, community colleges, and HBCU's to use the Duke and UNC-CH libraries and other campus resources during Summer 2008. The fellows will be chosen in a competition targeting regional faculty from institutions of higher education in the Southeast and Mid-Atlantic, with preference for regular faculty from four-year colleges, community colleges, and historically black colleges and universities. We will also give priority to proposals to create a new course on Latin America or the Caribbean, or to add substantial Latin American content to an

existing course at the candidate's institution. The proposed project must have a clear focus on Latin America or the Caribbean. The project should take place between June 2 and August 15, 2008, and the length of stay should be at least one week. The awardees will be assigned to one of the two campuses. There are no other program participation requirements of the award. Applicants should be US citizens or permanent residents. Applicants must be employed as faculty at an institution of higher education in Fall 2008. Students, faculty, and staff of Duke University or UNC-CH are not eligible to apply. Application deadline is **April 1, 2008** and awards will be announced by May 1, 2008. **For more information:** contact **Beatriz Riefkohl Muñiz** (UNC-CH Institute for the Study of the Americas), riefkohl@email.unc.edu or **Natalie Hartman** (Duke Center for Latin and Caribbean Studies), njh@duke.edu

Summer Internship with the Inter-American Dialogue

The Inter-American Dialogue is accepting applications for its summer 2008 intern program. Below is a brief description of programs that will need interns in the summer as well as a sampling of the responsibilities that the position might entail. Summer interns are expected to work full-time (30-40 hours per week). For more information about the internship program, including necessary qualifications, please go to <http://www.thedialogue.org/page.cfm?pageID=15>. Applications for the Summer 2008 are being accepted until all positions are filled.

Institute for International Public Policy Fellowship Program

The IIPP Fellowship Program provides students from underrepresented minority groups with intentionally designed education and training experiences critical to entry and advancement in international affairs careers. IIPP is a comprehensive program of summer policy institutes (fully funded), study abroad (provides 1/2 of funding), intensive language training (fully funded), internships, graduate study (up to \$15,000 matching funds) and student services, including mentoring and career development. Additionally, the program provides students with the education and training needed to enter successfully, advance within, and lead international affairs careers.

For more information: www.uncfsp.org/iipp or contact Nicholas M. Bassegy (Deputy Director, Institute for International Public Policy): 703-205-8141, or Nicholas.Bassegy@uncfsp.org

2008 Yale University Library Visiting Fellowship Program

Yale University Library is pleased to invite applications for one short-term library visiting fellowship to promote scholarly use of its collections of Latin Americana. The fellowship includes a stipend of \$10,000 plus modest funds towards the cost of travel and supplies which are meant to help defray expenses in traveling to and residing in New Haven, Connecticut during the tenure of the fellowship, which will be for three months. This fellowship is tenable from May to October 2008. The program is designed to provide junior scholars based in the United States and specializing in Latin America with the opportunity to work with one of the oldest and largest Latin American collections in the country. The Yale Library contains a wealth of research material, including monographs, serials, pamphlets, newspapers, government documents, manuscripts, maps, photographs and documentary film. A flexible program will be developed to balance the individual goals and interests of the visiting fellow with the needs of the Yale Library. Approximately 20% of the time spent at Yale will be devoted to a library project.

For more information: <http://www.yale.edu/macmillan/lais/grants.htm>

Brazilian Embassy Internship Program

The Brazilian Embassy has an extensive internship program in a variety of areas. These are usually three-month unpaid positions, either full-time or part-time, which can be renewed for an additional three months. Applicants are required to be fluent in both English and Portuguese, and have a strong interest in Brazilian-related issues. The application process is ongoing.

For more information: internship@brasilemb.org

The Felipe Herrera Library, Inter-American Development Bank Summer Internship

One of the library's principal objectives in 2008-09 is to continue developing the Virtual Collection which will serve the Bank's users in headquarters (Washington, DC) and regional Country Offices. To this end, library staff continue to identify electronic links to digital publications (yearbooks, monographs, reports, essays, conference proceedings) to be integrated into the collective catalog of the Inter-American Development Bank.

Specific Tasks:

- Analyze the selected electronic publications according to collection development policies, identify pertinent bibliographic details and create appropriate bibliographic records to integrate them into the catalog. Check and update links of existing electronic publications in the catalog.
- Make contacts with web-masters or librarians of the identified organizations to clarify or resolve problems with copyright, electronic access, passwords etc.
- Submit bibliographic records for revision by the supervisor for quality control

Qualifications:

Library Science or Information School student with an interest in descriptive (metadata) cataloging. The intern should have knowledge of the Anglo-American cataloging rules, MARC format and Dublin Core.

Languages: A good working knowledge of Spanish and English are required.

Dates: June 1 - July 31, 2008

For more information: <http://www.iadb.org/hrd/800x600i.asp?go=jobs>

HIA Summer Fellowship Programs

Humanity in Action sponsors six summer programs on minority and human rights issues in Europe and the United States. We will select a total of 60 enrolled sophomores, juniors, seniors, and recent graduates (May 2006 or later) from U.S. colleges and universities to participate in the 2008 programs. We welcome applicants from all academic disciplines who are actively seeking new perspectives on minority issues. Fellows are selected on the basis of interest in minority issues, leadership potential, academic achievement, and demonstrated commitment to human rights. The 2008 summer programs will take place in Amsterdam, Berlin, Copenhagen, New York, Paris, and Warsaw. To ensure participation of all qualified applicants, HIA pays virtually all of the costs of participation.

For more information: Amy Eckhardt, ave@pitt.edu or website:

www.humanityinaction.org

Employment Opportunities

Director of Collections and Acquisitions Services, Univ. of New Mexico

The University of New Mexico Libraries has an opening (JR#6425) for a Director of Collections and Acquisitions Services. This is a full-time, 12 month faculty position. The tenure status and faculty rank of this position is negotiable based on experience and professional qualifications. The desired start date is July 1, 2008. The annual salary is negotiable from a minimum of \$70,000 and includes full benefits. The search will remain open until the position is filled. For best consideration, complete applications should be received in our office no later than **April 1, 2008**. For a complete job description and instructions for submitting an application, visit the following web page:

<http://elibrary.unm.edu/employee.php>

Lecturer in Latin American Studies, University of Chicago

The University of Chicago Center for Latin American Studies invites applications for a post-doctoral position as a Lecturer in Latin American Studies to begin in Autumn 2008. The Latin American Studies Program includes an interdisciplinary M.A. Program in Latin American Studies that draws students both in social sciences and humanities, and a B.A. major in Latin American Studies that has a social sciences emphasis. Recent PhDs (within the past six years) in the humanities, social sciences or area studies who deal with Latin American issues are encouraged to apply. Relevant disciplines include sociology, political science, anthropology, history, literature, and media studies. To receive full consideration applications must be received by **April 15, 2008**. To review the full description and minimum qualifications, and to apply, candidates must visit /UChicagoJobs at <https://jobopportunities.uchicago.edu> and search posting by for requisition number: 078800.

Assistant Director, Center for Latin American and Iberian Studies, Vanderbilt University

Vanderbilt's Center for Latin American and Iberian Studies seeks a full-time staff Assistant Director. A growing Title VI National Resource Center, we are looking for an energetic candidate with strong writing and organizational skills; the ability to effectively communicate the Center's mission and goals to a variety of constituencies; and language proficiency in Spanish (knowledge of Portuguese would be an additional asset). Duties will include writing grant proposals and preparing performance reports for the university and federal funding agencies; planning and coordinating program events; supervising student assistants; writing news releases and other promotional materials; and overseeing budgets of program accounts. Candidates must have at least a bachelor's degree (a Master's is desirable), ideally with knowledge of Latin America; be proficient in Spanish (knowledge of Portuguese is desirable); and have experience writing academic grants and reports. Please apply with a letter of interest, resume and reference list at the following link: <http://www.vanderbilt.jobs>. Requisition number JAM63084. We will begin reviewing applications on **April 7, 2008** and will continue until the position is filled.

Spanish Instructor Wanted

For Teen summer academic adventure and community service program, Broadreach Academic Treks (AT), has summer employment job offerings to post graduate students with degrees in Spanish language or those fluent in Spanish. AT offers high school students the opportunity to immerse themselves in Spanish cultures. Instructors needed to lead Spanish language and cultural exploration courses in Ecuador, Mexico, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Peru, and Belize. Students will focus on culture and language as they explore the country. In addition to assisting with language development, instructors are responsible for facilitating positive group dynamics, personal growth, and leadership development. Instructors also lead adventure activities and field trips such as hiking, involve students in community service projects, facilitate home stays and handle various other trip leader responsibilities. Trip leader should have strong Spanish language skills, flexibility, and experience working with teens.

For more information: www.broadreachstaff.com

Peace Corp Campus Recruiter

Part-time position available with the University of Pittsburgh

Duties: promote Peace Corps at speaking engagements, evaluate applications and conduct interviews, maintain working relationship with the New York Regional Peace Corps Office and submit monthly reports, maintain 20 office hours / week during the academic year until the end of May.

Qualifications: Applicant must be a graduate student at the University of Pittsburgh and an RPCV, and have excellent oral and written communication skills, initiative, and ability to work independently.

Compensation: tuition, monthly stipend of approximately \$1,479, health benefits package. To apply, please send cover letter & resume to Melissa Baker, Recruitment Coordinator, at MBaker@peacecorps.gov

Service Engineer, FS-Elliott Air Compressors

Excellent opportunity to join a growing, world-class turbo air compressor manufacturer that offers a competitive salary and premier benefits including medical, vision, dental, life short and long-term disability, long-term care insurance, and 401(k) with matching company contribution. The position is responsible for assisting global customers and field personnel with technical issues related to the start-up commission, maintenance, overhauls, and troubleshooting of centrifugal air compressors; communicating with customers and field personnel on service issues; travelling to customer locations on a periodic basis and providing training to customers and field personnel. The requirements of the position include: BS degree in Engineering; desire to travel; demonstrated ability to speak Spanish; problem solving, customer focus, teamwork and collaboration and demonstrated initiative. For consideration, submit resume including salary history to info@dareent.com, fax to 412 231 6101, or for further information www.fs-elliott.com

Volunteers needed, Nexos Voluntarios

Nexos Voluntarios, a non-profit organization supported by the InterAmerican Development Bank, provides opportunities for interested individuals to make a significant contribution to the development of Peru's poorest communities by living and working as volunteers in the country. Nexos Voluntarios offers a comprehensive and

personalized service by matching the interests of the volunteer with a wide variety of high-impact non-profit organizations in Peru.

For more information, please visit their website at: www.nexosvoluntarios.org or write to: coordinator@nexosvoluntarios.org

NOTICE

The following list of events is provided as a service to the community by the Center for Latin American Studies (CLAS), University of Pittsburgh. CLAS neither recommends nor endorses these events and activities. Please address questions or comments about the events to the contact provided and not to the Center.

Global Beats: Dirty Dancing Night

Date: Saturday, March 29, 2008

Time: 10:00 p.m.

Location: AVA Lounge, 126 S. Highland Avenue, East Liberty

Cost: \$5.00

For more information: www.arrepiabrasil.org

Salud para Niños - Birmingham Clinic

Free Pediatric & Flu Immunization Clinics

Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh Care Mobile

Date: Saturday, April 5, May 10, & June 7, 2008

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Location: Salvation Army, 54 S. 9th Street, Southside

For more information: 412 692 6000 option 8,

Or visit http://www.chp.edu/centers/spanish_clinic.php

****New schedule for SALUD PARA NIÑOS Free Pediatric Clinics****

REMINDER: the Free Pediatric and Immunization Clinics will be held the second Saturday of every month unless it is a holiday weekend or if there are unforeseen circumstances. To verify that a clinic has not been rescheduled please call 412-692-6000, option 8 during office hours or on Saturday morning.

Festival Gallardo

An evening of extraordinary music from Latin America to honor the memory of Harold Gallardo and his 14 year son Martin Gallardo. With performances by Patricia and Garciela, Bésame, Machete, Lilly Abreu, Emily Pinkerton, Batucada Samba, & Sambistas Brasil

Date: Saturday, April 5, 2008

Time: 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Location: Altar Club, 1620 Penn Avenue, Strip District

Cost: \$10

Salsa Saturday! Social Dance Fundraiser

Date: Saturday, April 19, 2008

Time: 8:00 p.m. - Midnight

8:00 – 9:00 p.m. --Dance lesson with Marixa Moran & Ryan Mitchell

9:00 p.m. – Midnight -- Music & dancing with DJ Jeff Shirey of Salsa Pittsburgh

Location: 147 Sandy Creek Road, Verona

Cost: \$8.00 (proceeds benefit the programming of Full of Grace, Inc.)

For more information: contact **Cristine Davis**, 412 478 7052, crisrdavis@yahoo.com

Nego Gato Capoeira Classes

A 6 week program in Capoeira with Mestre Nego Gato and other instructors

Dates: April 14 - May 24, 2008

Children's Classes (Beginning April 19th)

Dates: Saturdays

Time: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Cost: \$60 for session, \$30 for uniforms (required)

Adult Classes

Cost: \$20 for individual classes, \$60 for uniforms (required)

Dates: Mondays & Wednesdays

Time: 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Experienced levels only

Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays

Time: 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Beginner level

Dates: Saturdays

Time: 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

All levels welcomed

Pre-registration & Deposit required for all classes by **April 1, 2008** (\$25 for children's classes, \$75 for adult classes, balance due on second class)

For more information: 412 201 4546

Weekly Intercultural Events

Pittsburgh Capoeira Club - Brazilian Martial Arts

Capoeira is a martial art that was started by African slaves in Brazil over 400 years ago. Capoeira blends aspects of dance, acrobatics, and fighting into an intricate dialogue that inspires discipline, self-confidence, and respect. Additional classes are also available on Tuesday evenings from 7:30-9:00 p.m. and Saturday afternoons from 3:30-5:00 p.m. at the Breathe Yoga Studio in the South Side. Class pricing and details available at www.breathe-yogastudio.com

FREE capoeira classes for Pitt students are currently being offered:

Dates: Every Wednesday & Friday (spring term)

Time: 2:30 - 3:30 p.m., 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Location: Baierl Student Recreation Center, Petersen Event Center, University of Pittsburgh

For more information: capoeirapittsburgh@gmail.com or www.myspace.com/capoeirapittsburgh

BARRIO LATINO - Radio Program in Spanish - Programa radial en español - WRCT 88.3 FM

News, politics, local, social, cultural, recreational events, sports, and the best Latin American music

Dates: Every Thursday

Time: 6:05 - 7:00 p.m.

Listen via Internet at www.wrct.org, Call live 412 621 9728

Archives of audio files at: <http://barriolatinowrct.googlepages.com/>

Send any special announcements that you would like aired to: Martha

Mantilla: martham@pitt.edu, BarrioLatinoWRCT@gmail.com or call 412 521 8651

Latin Jazz with Puro Queso Jazz Quintet: Victor Ruiz

Dates: Every Thursday

Time: 8:00 - 11:00 p.m.

Location: Bossa Nova, 123 Seventh Street, Downtown Pittsburgh

Contact: 412 232 3030, www.bossanovapgh.com

Weekly Language Classes/Practice Sessions

English as a Second Language (ESL)

All levels welcome.

Dates: Every Thursday

Time: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Location: First Trinity Evangelical-Lutheran Church, 535 N. Neville Street, Oakland

Contact: 412 683 4121, ERA@FirstTrinity.net

Language Courses at Tango Café

All Spanish courses are held at **Tango Café** (5806 Forward Avenue, Squirrel Hill).

For more information: 412 421 1390, www.TangoCafePgh.com

Spanish Level I

Spanish instruction for beginners, \$3.00 per class

Dates: Every Thursday

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Spanish Level II

Basic grammar, vocabulary and conversation, \$3.00 per class

Date: Every Tuesday

Time: 5:30 p.m.

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Date: Every Friday
Time: 1:00 p.m.

Spanish Level III

Intermediate grammar, reading and conversation, \$3.00 per class

Dates: Every Wednesday

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Spanish Level IV

Conversation, reading, writing and expressions, \$3.00 per class

Dates: Every Tuesday

Time: 7:00 p.m.

English Practice (for non-native speakers)

Practice English with native speakers

Dates: Every Friday

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Spanish Conversation "Tertulia"

Open Spanish conversation group

Dates: Every Saturday

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Dance Lessons & Dances

Latin Music & Dance

Dates: Every Saturday

Time: 9:30 p.m.

Location: Buon Giorno Cafe, 5 Market Square, Downtown Pittsburgh

Contact: 412 471 9158

Bi-Monthly Salsa Dances

Dates: 1st & 3rd Sunday of every month

Time: Lessons from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m., Music from 8:00 - 10:30 p.m.

Location: The Edgewood Club, 1 Pennwood Avenue, Edgewood

Cost: \$6 cover charge

Salsa Events by Marlon Silva

Dates: Every Sunday

Times: Beginner lessons, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m., Intermediate & Advanced Combinations, 8:00 - 10:00 p.m., DJ music, 10:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m.

Location: ALTO Lounge, 728 Copeland Street, Shadyside

Cost: \$5.00 per person

For more information: www.altolounge.com, 412 682 1074

*****Deadline*****

If you have an announcement related to a **Latin American/Caribbean activity** taking place during **Summer 2008** that you would like to share with others interested in the region, please mail details by **April 24th** to Calendar Announcements, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh, 4200 Wesley Posvar Hall, Pittsburgh, PA 15260; or by fax: 412-648-2199, or e-mail: clas@pitt.edu
Sorry, information will not be accepted over the telephone



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