



December 2007 Calendar

Center for Latin American Studies
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"Former Colonies: Local or Universal?" a lecture by Roberto Schwarz (Brazilian literary critic)

Known in English through his essays in *New Left Review* and books from Verso, Schwarz is one of the most important Brazilian literary critics. In Portuguese, he has published some ten books. Two are available in English: *Master on the Periphery of Capitalism* (2001, a study of the novelist Machado de Assis); and *Misplaced Ideas: Essays on Brazilian Culture* (1992). He has held a Guggenheim Fellowship and served as Robert F. Kennedy Visiting Professor in Latin American Studies at Harvard.

Schwarz's wide-ranging perspective on national culture was shaped by the double displacement of exile, first as a Jew from Austria to Brazil in 1938, and then as a leftist from Brazil to Paris in 1969. He returned to Brazil in 1978 and became Professor of Literary Theory at the University of Campinas, São Paulo, where he now is emeritus. He took an M.A. in Comparative Literature from Yale in 1963 and completed his studies at the University of Paris during his exile.

Schwarz's "attempt to approach aesthetics from a leftist point of view" develops a powerful argument concerning Machado de Assis. He explores the narrative consequences of the persistent gap in Brazilian society between liberal ideology (based on free market) and its local "degradation" by the reality of forced labor (slavery). This incompatibility in turn is put in play through the system of patronage (*clientismo*), the socio-economic relationship between plantation owners and the educated stratum. This complex of interrelations is written deep in the rich idiosyncrasy of Machado's prose.

Date: Tuesday, December 4, 2007

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Location: 501 Cathedral of Learning, University of Pittsburgh

Sponsored by School of Arts and Sciences, Department of English, Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, Center for Latin American Studies, Program in Cultural Studies, and boundary 2

Undergraduate Internship Opportunity

The College of Arts and Sciences (University of Pittsburgh) has approved internship opportunities for undergraduate students interested in Latin American Studies. The interns will work with the Center's outreach coordinator conducting research and developing lessons on Latin America for presentation in kindergarten through high school (K-12) classrooms as part of the Center's School Visit Program. Interns will be

supervised during all stages of the program and required to work an average of 10 hours per week. Interns may earn from 1 to 3 credits depending on the project. The internship also counts toward the certificate in Latin American Studies. See College of Arts and Sciences webpage at: <http://www.pitt.edu/~intern>, search using the keyword "Latin America". Scroll down to **OEL: Academic Internships**, then click on **foreign language**.

If you are interested in applying, contact: Rosalind Santavicca, Center for Latin American Studies, Outreach Program, University Center for International Studies, 4205 Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260; Phone: 412 648 7397; Email: alinda@pitt.edu

2007 Nationality and Heritage Rooms Holiday Open House

Date: Sunday, December 2, 2007

Time: 12:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Location: Cathedral of Learning, 4200 Fifth Avenue, University of Pittsburgh (Oakland)

For more information: www.heritageroom.com or

http://www.pitt.edu/~natrooms/pages/holiday_info.html

Coro Latinoamericano Concert: Campanas de Navidad/ Christmas Bells

Date: Saturday, December 8, 2007

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Auditorium, Frick Fine Arts Building, University of Pittsburgh

Cost: Free and Open to the Public (Donations are accepted)

For more information:

Sponsored by Center for Latin American Studies and Point Park University

Cuerdas featuring Cuarteto Latinoamericano w/EntreQuatre

Mexico's Cuarteto Latinoamericano is the world's leading proponent of Latin American music for string quartet. EntreQuatre, a virtuoso guitar quartet from Spain, joins the Cuarteto for this concert. The music they will perform is filled with the vibrant sounds and colors of Spain and Latin America (Brazil, Cuba, Costa Rica, Argentina, and Uruguay), making it utterly unique and different from traditional Western classical music.

Program:

Villa-Lobos — String Quartet No. 6, A. 468 "Il Quarteto brasileiro"

Guerra — Habanera Con Variaciones, for guitar quartet

Barroso — Concierto de Tierra Alta, for double quartet

Cardona — Cabalgando Vientos, for double quartet

Ginastera — String Quartet No. 1, Op. 20

del Aguila — Presto No. 2, for double quartet

Date: Monday, December 10, 2007

Time: 8:00 p.m. (pre-concert talk with the musicians at 7:00 p.m.)

Location: Carnegie Music Hall, 4400 Forbes Avenue, Oakland

Cost: \$35 regular, \$15 students at www.pittsburghchambermusic.org or 412-624-4129.

Group discount tickets (by phone only): \$10/ticket when 10 or more tickets are purchased.

For more information: www.pittsburghchambermusic.org, 412 624 4129

ATTENTION:

Undergraduates in the Latin American Studies Certificate at Pitt

The summer 2008 program in International Development

Taught by Prof. Reinhard Heinisch in Cochabamba, Bolivia, will meet the study abroad requirement for the Undergraduate Certificate in Latin American Studies IF the student selects the option of adding two weeks (or more) to the program. That is, students will be given the option of continuing to work with local community partner organizations for two or more weeks following the departure of the instructor, Reinhard Heinisch. This will allow students to meet the CLAS requirements for the certificate, as they will be immersed in the community for six or more weeks.

For more information: <http://www.globalservicelearning.org/summer08/bolivia.html>

News from the Eduardo Lozano Latin American Collection – Hillman Library

The **Library Collection Research Guides** and **Selected Internet Sites** can now be found in the Center for Latin American Studies – CLAS - web page at:

<http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/library.html>

The Research Guides include:

- **Films and Videorecordings - Latin America and Caribbean**
- **Latin American Music Recordings in Hillman Library**
- **Primary Sources for Historical Research on Latin America on Deposit at Hillman Library**

For questions or comments please contact:

Martha E. Mantilla Ph.D.

Librarian, Latin American Studies and Eduardo Lozano Collection

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Bolivia Youth Summit: Developing Leadership in Young People to Transform Communities – Host Families Needed

Dates: January 16 - February 5, 2008

BYS, funded by the US Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and coordinated locally by Magee Womancare International, the humanitarian outreach arm of Magee-Womens Hospital of UPMC and Magee-Womens Research Institute and Foundation, will bring twelve (12) Bolivian youth ages 15-18 and two (2) Bolivian adult facilitators to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to learn about American culture and explore issues of youth leadership and community development.

Through a 5-day program in Washington, DC and 21-day program in Pittsburgh, PA, *Bolivia Youth Summit* delegates and their adult facilitators will participate in site visits to local community agencies and student-led organizations, attend skill-building workshops, shadow Pittsburgh high school students for a "typical" school day, interact socially with local Pittsburgh youth, and engage in community service activities.

One of the most important components of this program is providing each participant with a "home host" experience. The "home host" stay component of the program provides participants with valuable insight into American life and creates a mutual learning experience for host families and guests.

As a home host provider, you would have an exciting opportunity to interact with youth from Bolivia, learn about a different culture, share your home life and traditions, develop new friendships, and promote cross-cultural cooperation.

Magee Womancare International is NOW looking for local families to open their homes to Bolivian youth and adult facilitators. Host Families are needed to host Bolivian youth and/or adult facilitators in their homes for approximately 20 nights beginning on or around January 16, 2008 through February 5, 2008. Magee Womancare International will be responsible for developing the *Bolivia Youth Summit* program schedule that will include professional and cultural activities as well as time for Bolivian youth to interact with their host families.

Host families are not required to speak Spanish and Magee Womancare International will provide interpreter assistance as needed.

To become a host family and learn more about this program, please contact **Lesya Protynyak** at 412 641 8989 or lprotynyak@mail.magee.edu

Call for Papers

"Zones of Contact / Zonas de Contacto" - 17th Annual Graduate Student Conference at Columbia University – New York University

In this conference the organizers seek to explore zones of contact both within spheres that are normally thought of as homogenous and between those generally considered separate and distinct, such as geographical spaces, identities, cultural strata, modes of expression, disciplines of knowledge, and so forth, in the fields of Hispanic, Lusophone, and North American Literatures ad Cultures. The organizers understand the zones of contact to be sites of cultural activity where various types of encounters, confluences, disjunctions, and negotiations result in contaminations, transgressions of borders, transformations, and potential manifestations of resistance. It may also yield cultural products that do not directly align themselves with existing categories and which in some cases may defy classification. Examination of these zones implies the recognition not only of the nature of "contact," but also of the historical circumstances and the recurring processes that give rise to conflict, schisms, alliances, and the establishment of hierarchies among spheres of production. Zones of contact, then, are the spaces in which it is possible to question borders, limits, lines of demarcation, categories, classifications, and trends.

Zones of contact will address cultural production related, but not limited, to the following thematic areas:

High and low cultures
Disparate cultural strata
Texts and their circulation
Commodification of culture
Mass media
Cyberspace and Virtual Reality
Cyborgs
Modes of artistic production
Interdisciplinarity
Subjectivity

Multilingualism (polyglotism) and translation
Identities
Gender and sexuality
Geographic spaces/borders
(International/Global/Local) polity (polities)
Multiplicity and plurality
Temporalities
Periodization
Utopia/Dystopia
Entanglements and interferences

Presenters are invited to engage with the conference topic from a variety of interpretive stances and interdisciplinary approaches. Therefore, the organizers encourage submissions on the visual arts, creative writing, film, musical composition, performance, or any other form of cultural production.

Papers maybe presented in Spanish, Portuguese, or English. Please submit 250-word abstract (or images or sound recordings for media other than writing) as an anonymous attachment by **Friday, December 21st, 2007** to cu.nyu.2008@gmail.com . In the body of the email kindly include your name, institutional affiliation, and the title of your presentation.

Conference dates: April 4-5, 2008

For more information: 212-854-4187

German Studies Association 32nd Annual 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.

Following upon the recent DEFA Summer Film Institute, "Solidarity! DEFA and Latin America" (organized and hosted by the DEFA Film Library of the University of Massachusetts), we are soliciting proposals for panels and individual papers dealing with the cinematic intersection of Latin America and the GDR. How is Latin America or nations of Latin America represented as a political and cultural space in East German film? How is East Germany represented in film produced in Latin American countries?

Such examinations may inspire inquiries such as: What are the accomplishments and limitations of Marxist and working class solidarity movements? How does the notion of solidarity construct commonality and otherness? How do we assess models of class solidarity in the post-Cold War era of globalization? How does the notion of solidarity itself call for interdisciplinary approaches? Panels may address these themes from any of a variety of fields, including Film Studies, Cultural Studies, History, German Studies, Latin American Studies, Social Theory, and Art History. Topics about DEFA films with "Latin American" content and films from Latin American countries with "GDR" content might include:

- ◆ Themes of internationalism, international circulation, and mobility
- ◆ The international economy of images
- ◆ Locations, distribution, translation, and reception
- ◆ The impact of the Cold War on filmic expressions of international solidarity
- ◆ Formal analysis of documentaries, non-fiction, and fiction
- ◆ Cultural diplomacy between these nations as it relates to filmic production
- ◆ Debates on Internationalism and/or Third Ways
- ◆ International solidarity and exile
- ◆ Critical reception of these works after the transition from a "Three Worlds" to a "Global North / South" cultural-political paradigm
- ◆ Constructed memories of revolution, solidarity, and resistance
- ◆ Colonial legacies in / and post-colonial films

Please send an abstract of 250-500 words to Hunter Bivens (ahbivens@gmail.com), Jennifer Hosek (jhosek@queensu.ca), and Jamie Trnka (trnkaj2@scranton.edu) no later than **January 1, 2008**.

Conference dates: October 2 - 5, 2008

Location: St. Paul, MN

**Anamorphosis: Changes in Perspectives, Changes in Meaning
Kaleidoscope, Fourth Annual Graduate Student Conference -
Department of Spanish and Portuguese, University of Wisconsin-
Madison**

In Renaissance and Baroque art, anamorphosis (from the Greek, meaning "formed again") features a distorted projection that requires the viewer to occupy a specific vantage point in order to reconstitute the image. Although traditionally linked to the visual arts, the resulting shift in perspective is relevant to various disciplines and genres. Faced with unstable or changing images, a reader or spectator may be invited to reassess fixed interpretations and reflect on the uncertain and/or constructed nature of meaning. In his book *A(wry) Views*, David Castillo offers one literary example of anamorphosis when he argues that the pícaro Lazarillo de Tormes challenges the reader to gaze from the marginal perspective of the dispossessed. This phenomenon of altered perception need not be limited to literature. Anamorphosis may be fruitful in any discipline where a genuinely new perspective illustrates a reality that had been previously unnoticed.

Presenters are invited to address the conference topic from a variety of interpretive stances or interdisciplinary approaches such as art, anthropology, women's studies, psychology, or cultural studies. Anamorphosis will be a point of entry for discussing cultural production as it relates to a wide range of areas, including but not limited to the following:

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| Marginality | Mythology |
| Spatial, Cultural, or Linguistic | Parody, Satire or Irony |
| Displacement | Modernity |
| Nationality and Nation Building | Counterculture |
| Migration and Borders | Hybridity |
| Diaspora or Exile | Dictatorship and Power |
| Otherness and Identity | Revolution |
| Colonialism and Conquest | |

Presentations may be given in Spanish, Portuguese or English and should not exceed twenty minutes. Abstracts (up to 250 words) may be sent by email to maddux@wisc.edu (include identifying information in the body of the email only and attach anonymous abstract) or mail (include one document with identifying information and a separate anonymous abstract) to:

Department of Spanish and Portuguese
Attn: Nate Maddux
1018 Van Hise Hall
1220 Linden Drive
Madison, WI 53706-1557

Submission deadline for abstracts: January 31, 2008

Conference dates: March 7 & 8, 2008

Conference website: <http://spanport.lss.wisc.edu/kaleidoscope/>

Conferences

"Does the Caribbean have a Borderlands? Towards a History of Places in Between and Cultures out of Place" Interdisciplinary Workshop

Graduate students at the University of Pittsburgh who have completed in-depth research projects focusing on the circulation of people, ideas, cultural practices, or political movements within and around the Caribbean are invited to propose papers for this all-day workshop sponsored by the Center for Latin American Studies and hosted by the Department of History on **Friday, February 1, 2008**.

This event brings together leading international scholars whose innovative interdisciplinary research is expanding the boundaries of Caribbean Studies, including Mary Chamberlain of Oxford Brookes University, London; Jorge Giovanetti of the Universidad de Puerto Rico-Rio Piedras; and Matthew Smith of the University of the West Indies-Mona; along with Pitt faculty including Lara Putnam and Alejandro de la Fuente (History) and Shalini Puri (English).

Pitt grad students who will not be presenting are welcome to join the workshop as full participants in the day's discussions and events. If you wish to take advantage of this opportunity, please email Lara Putnam at LEP12@pitt.edu by **Friday December 28, 2007**, indicating your commitment to participate.

16th Annual NAAAS & Affiliates National Conference

Dates: February 11 - 16, 2008

Location: Baton Rouge Marriott Hotel, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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

5th Annual Tulane Maya Symposium & Workshop: Sacred Cenotes, Hidden Caverns: Rituals, Beliefs, and Everyday Life Relating to Caves and Cenotes

Through a series of lectures, workshops, and a roundtable discussion, specialists at next year's symposium explore the physical and sacred geography of the Maya region. The history, geology, stories, beliefs, and rituals surrounding caves, cenotes, and

mountaintop shrines from across the Maya area are among the topics that will be discussed.

Because New Orleans is hosting the NBA All-Star game the same weekend, you are encouraged to make plans soon to attend!

Dates: February 15 - 17, 2008

For more information: <http://stonecenter.tulane.edu/MayaSymposium> or contact Denise Woltering at crcrts@tulane.edu, 504 862 3143

Sponsored by the Stone Center for Latin American Studies

10th Annual Conference on Hispanic and Lusophone Literatures, Cultures, and Linguistics

The Palimpsest of Memory and the Recycling of Language

El palimpsesto de la memoria y el reciclaje del lenguaje

O palimpsesto da memoria e a reciclagem da linguagem

The 10th Annual Graduate Student Conference on Hispanic and Lusophone Literatures, Cultures, and Linguistics will be hosted by the Graduate Student Organization of the Department of Spanish and Portuguese at the University of California at Santa Barbara. This conference is organized by graduate students in order to give other graduate students an opportunity to share their current work. We invite and encourage all submissions relating to these topics in any area of humanities and social sciences, including Literature, Linguistics, Cultural Studies, Gender Studies, Film Studies, History, Sociology and the Fine and Performing Arts.

Dates: February 22 - 23, 2008

Registration: Registration fees and other information will be posted on the conference website at a further date: <http://orgs.sa.ucsb.edu/lhlconference/>

16th Latin American Studies Symposium at Birmingham-Southern College (BSC)

This interdisciplinary conference aims to promote undergraduate research focused on Latin America.

Dates: March 14 - 15, 2008

Location: Birmingham-Southern College

For more information: <http://www.bsc.edu/academics/las/symposium.htm>

Symposium - Persistent Divides: Marginalization and Exclusion in Latin America and the Caribbean

The Latin American Studies Program at Grand Valley State University invites abstracts relating to the theme "Persistent Divides: Marginalization and Exclusion in Latin America and the Caribbean." There is a distinguished history of scholarship and advocacy related to inequalities along the axes of class, race/ethnicity, and gender in Latin America and the Caribbean. More recently, scholars have begun to look at other arenas of inequality and social exclusion such as those related to sexual minorities, incarceration, human rights and the rule of law, and environmental degradation. Our goal in this symposium is to open up a dialogue among scholars exploring these different axes and arenas of exclusion and marginalization in the region both historically and in contemporary contexts.

Dates: March 14 - 15, 2008

Location: GVSU Eberhard Center, Grand Valley State University, Michigan

For more information:

<http://www.gvsu.edu/las/index.cfm?action=home.events&eventId=FF460111-A3FB-5A2B-67BDB3F57F3183D2>

The International Human Rights Regime Since 9/11: Trans-Atlantic Perspectives

This conference, being held in cooperation with the Deutsche Vereinigung für Politische Wissenschaft (DVPW – German Political Science Association) ad hoc group on Human Rights, will convene scholars from Europe and America to debate these and related questions. We want to take seriously the important events of 9/11 and assess their impact on the international human rights regime without taking the nature or extent of that impact for granted.

Dates: April 17 - 19, 2008

Location: University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh PA

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/>

Fellowship & Internship Opportunities

2008-2009 Centro de Estudios y Programas Interamericanos (CEPI) Resident Fellowship Program

CEPI, with the support of the Ford Foundation, invites applications from professionals of diverse disciplines and sectors to participate in its Resident Fellowship program, based at the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM), a prestigious Latin American university located in the San Angel area of Mexico City. CEPI's mission is to provide a space for discussion and specialized research on inter-American issues in order to stimulate greater understanding and interest in this area. CEPI offers a limited number of Resident Fellowships annually to nationals of any country. Applications are invited from the following sectors: academic, public sector, diplomatic, and intergovernmental, NGO, and the media.

Application Deadline: January 7, 2008

For more information: <http://interamericanos.itam.mx>

2008-2009 National Security Education Program (NSEP) David L. Boren Scholarship and Fellowship Competitions

The Institute of International Education is pleased to announce the beginning of the 2008-2009 National Security Education Program (NSEP) David L. Boren Scholarship and Fellowship competitions. Created in 1991, NSEP awards undergraduate scholarships and graduate fellowships to American students for study of world regions critical to U.S. interests (including Africa, Asia, Central and Eastern Europe, Eurasia, Latin America and the Caribbean, and the Middle East). Boren Scholarships provide up to \$20,000 for an academic year's study abroad. Boren Fellowships provide up to \$30,000 for language study and international research.

Application deadlines:

Boren Fellowship: **January 30**

Boren Scholarship: **February 12**

For more information: <http://www.iie.org/nsep>, 1 800 618 NSEP, or nsep@iie.org

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. Interested students should send an email to internship@brasilemb.org for additional information.

2008 Carnegie Endowment for International Peace Junior Fellows Program

The Carnegie Endowment for International Peace (CEIP) is a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to advancing cooperation among nations and promoting active international engagement by the United States. As one of the world's leading think tanks specializing in international affairs, CEIP conducts programs of research, discussion, publication and education.

The CEIP Junior Fellows Program is designed to provide a substantive work experience for students who have serious career interests in the area of international affairs. Approximately 8-10 students will be selected to work at the CEIP in Washington, DC on a full-time basis for a period of one year.

Applications are accepted only from graduating college seniors or individuals who have graduated within the past academic year. No one will be considered who has started graduate studies. Applicants should have completed a significant amount of course work in international affairs, political science, economics, history or Russian, Chinese or Middle East studies.

All application materials must be received by the Office of Experiential Learning (OEL) no later than 12pm on Friday, December 14, 2007. The OEL will send the materials to the Washington, DC. Finalists in the selection will be invited for personal interviews in spring 2008. The selection of the Junior Fellows for 2008 will be made no later than April 15. All fellowships begin on August 1, 2008. Junior Fellows are responsible for their own housing.

For more information: <http://www.as.pitt.edu/undergraduate/experience/ceip-fellows.html>

Study Abroad & Research Opportunities

NC State University 15th Annual Ethnographic Field School, Summer 2008 - "Nature, Heritage Conservation and Globalization in Mayan Communities"

Students learn how to do ethnographic fieldwork, design a research project, carry out independent research and study the effects of globalization, tourism and change on the local culture, society and environment in the Mayan communities of Lake Atitlán. During the seven-week program students live with local, Maya families in the Lake Atitlán area of the Western Highlands, a region with an ancient and rich cultural heritage. The effects of globalization and tourism growth are having a significant impact on their way of life and on their quality of life. In this seventh summer of research in Guatemala, we will focus on the cultural, social, economic, health, and environmental impacts of tourism and globalization on the indigenous Mayan communities around Lake Atitlán. Students will study how these Tz'utujil, Kaqchikel and Quiche Maya are adapting to changing demographics, the effects of the global economic slowdown on the traditional exports such as coffee and textiles, as well as on the continuing presence of more and more tourists and foreign residents. The program is also affiliated with the Universidad del Valle-Guatemala City (UVG) and the Universidad del Valle-Altiplano (Solola).

Dates: May 19 - July 8, 2008

Location: Lake Atitlán, Guatemala

For more information: <http://www4.ncsu.edu/~twallace>

Study Abroad in Mexico

Spring 2008 Southern Program (Chiapas-Tlaxcala-Mexico City) January 27-May 2: Earn 16 credits studying Mexican social movements. Program will focus on indigenous movements, campesino organizations, and urban movements.

Spring 2008 Northern Program (Ciudad Juarez-Chihuahua City-Mexico City-Chiapas) February 3–May 9: Earn 16 credits studying Mexican social movements with a focus on border dynamics, urban movements, and indigenous movements.

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

Study Abroad Opportunities with Amizade

Serve and Learn in communities around the world!

- Community-driven service
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- 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 Spanish)

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

Call for Proposals

Latin America in Translation/En Traducción/Em Tradução - 2008 Call for Proposals

In the English-speaking world, Latin Americans are more often written about than read. As a result, the educated public in the United States continue to learn most of what it does know about the region from Latin Americanists who are themselves foreigners to the national realities they study. Since October 1990, the Carolina and Duke Consortium in Latin American and Caribbean Studies has been involved in an effort, however modest, to right this imbalance by establishing an ongoing editorial series, "Latin America in Translation/En Traducción/Em Tradução."

The Latin America in Translation Series is a joint initiative of the Carolina and Duke Consortium, Duke University Press (DUP), and the University of North Carolina Press (UNCP) and is directed by an editorial committee of faculty members and editors from the three sponsoring institutions. Since 1993, twenty-six books have been published in the series with several more scheduled to appear in the next two to three years.

The Series is designed as a vehicle for identifying, translating and publishing in English outstanding books appearing in Latin America in the social sciences and humanities (including literature), with special interest in books with an inter- and multi-disciplinary outlook or reach.

Nomination Procedures:

Interested scholars or authors are encouraged to nominate a title for consideration in the series. Only complete submissions will be accepted.

Please include the following:

1. A complete copy of the book. If a printed copy is unavailable, a photocopy of the book will be accepted. If requested, all copies will be returned upon completion of the selection process.
2. A brief statement of the book's importance within Latin America and for an English language audience. This may come from the author or anyone interested in nominating a title for consideration.
3. (Optional) Published editorial reviews of the book. If including newspaper or magazine reviews please include the complete reference for the source.

The deadline for submissions is **January 15, 2008**. Please submit materials to: Latin America in Translation Series, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Box 90254, Duke University, Durham, NC 27708-0254. For further information on the Series, please contact our Administrative Coordinator at las@duke.edu.

Employment Opportunities

Assistant Professor of Latin American Social Science at the University of Illinois at Chicago

The Latin American and Latino Studies Program at UIC seeks a tenure track assistant professor candidate in the field of Latin American social science with a focus on South or Central America. We are most interested in an outstanding and original scholar whose interdisciplinary research focuses on urban issues such as poverty, race, space and political economy. We are open to candidates from diverse disciplinary backgrounds such as geography, sociology and anthropology. The ideal candidate should also be an excellent teacher and active in program development. The candidate must have been awarded a Ph.D. at time of appointment.

The University of Illinois is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer and encourages applications from minorities and females. For fullest consideration submit credentials by **December 1, 2007**. This position is pending budgetary approval.

Please send cover letter, a CV, a writing sample, and three letters of recommendation to:

Professor Joel Palka, Chair
Search Committee
Latin American and Latino Studies Program
1523 University Hall, MC 219
University of Illinois at Chicago
601 South Morgan Street
Chicago, IL 60607-7115

Quechua Language Lecturer

The Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies and the Department of Spanish and Portuguese at New York University seek a full-time Language Lecturer in Quechua to begin September 1, 2008, pending administrative and budgetary approval. This is a non-tenure track appointment, which is renewable on an annual basis. MA minimum with Ph.D. preferred. Candidates should have experience and have demonstrated commitment to Quechua language learning at all levels, training in applied linguistics and pedagogical theory, knowledge of instructional technologies including internet applications, and excellent organizational skills. Regular duties include three classes per semester. During the first year, Quechua instruction is expected to occupy one course per semester, rising to two courses per semester in the second year, enrollments permitting. During year one, additional courses in other subjects (such as Spanish language, bilingual education, or other subject areas appropriate to the applicant's training and skills) or further duties (such as coordination of outreach activities) are expected to fill out duties to the equivalent of a full-time work load. Send letter of

application, CV and dossier (or three current letters of recommendation), plus a teaching portfolio giving evidence of linguistic and teaching skills (sample teaching materials, lesson plans, student course evaluations, etc.) by **December 1, 2007**, to: Professor Thomas Abercrombie, Search Committee Chair, New York University, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, 53 Washington Square South, 410W, New York, NY 10012. Inquiries to Maritza Colón at mec8697@nyu.edu

University Lecturership in the Political Economy of Latin America, University of Oxford in association with St Antony's College

The School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies and the Department of International Development (Queen Elizabeth House) seek applications for a full-time University Lecturership in the Political Economy of Latin America. The Lecturership is tenable from 1 October 2008 or as soon as possible thereafter and will be held in conjunction with a Fellowship at St Antony's College.

This post is a joint appointment between the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies and the Department of International Development and the post-holder will be responsible equally to the heads of the two departments. In the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies the post-holder will be based in the Latin American Centre. The postholder will have office facilities in the Latin American Centre and in the Department of International Development.

The successful candidate will be appointed on the Oxford scale for university lecturers without tutorial fellowships (£39,159 - £52,628 as at 1 August 2007). Appointment on this scale is based on the post-holder undertaking a teaching load of 288 units (see section 1). The post holder will also receive College allowances and these are detailed further in Appendix A. Individuals may undertake up to 30 days of consultancy per year without loss of salary. The post-holder will be eligible to apply for sabbatical leave; generally one term of sabbatical leave is available for each six terms of qualifying service.

Candidates will be considered for this post on the basis of the selection criteria outlined in: <http://www.admin.ox.ac.uk/fp/ulpolecnla.shtml>. Applications materials (as outlined in the above mention web page) must be received no later than **14 December 2007**. There is no application form, and separate application is not required for the college post.

Informal enquiries about the post can be made to Professor Roger Goodman, Head of the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies (e-mail: roger.goodman@nissan.ox.ac.uk) or Professor Valpy Fitzgerald, Director of the Department of International Development (e-mail: edmund.fitzgerald@qeh.ox.ac.uk).

Position for a Young Social Scientist in the World Bank's Research Department

The World Bank's Research Department is one of the world's leading centers for research on economic development (<http://econ.worldbank.org/research>). It aims to conduct fundamental and relevant research published in refereed academic journals, generate new knowledge and ideas about effective policy interventions, and provide policy and strategic advice to the World Bank's operational staff. Although the department is primarily staffed by economists, it works on a broad range of issues beyond the traditional focus of development economics, including community development, culture, governance, comparative and international politics, networks and

social capital, and other issues that are informed by disciplinary perspectives drawn from anthropology, law, political science, psychology and sociology.

To expand our capacity in these realms, we are hiring a "Young Social Scientist": a recent PhD in one of the non-economic social sciences whose research demonstrates significant promise in understanding questions that relate to the problems of development. We are looking for a world-class researcher with excellent skills in qualitative methods, and with significant field experience in one or more developing countries. The ideal candidate should also be familiar with quantitative methods and be willing to interact and collaborate closely with development economists. S/he should be willing to engage closely and critically with issues that are centrally related to development policy. The position offers a very competitive salary and benefits.

Please send a cover letter describing your research and why this position is of interest, and a CV with the names of three references to: research@worldbank.org. At this stage we would request that candidates not send us any more material. Candidates selected for the short-list will be requested to submit a more detailed application with writing samples, reference letters, etc. at a later stage. We will accept applications until **December 15, 2007**.

Multilingual Coder Position Available

Part-time Coder positions are available with the Qualitative Data Analysis Program (QDAP) housed in the University of Pittsburgh's University Center for Social and Urban Research (UCSUR). The position entails coding qualitative datasets. The pay rate is \$12.00 per hour.

Requirements: Minimum education level required is a bachelor's degree. Excellent analytical skills and communication skills required. Must be comfortable working independently as well as in a team. Scheduling of hours is flexible, provided deadlines are met. Coders are expected to work 8-20 hours per week. Preference given to candidates with reading fluency in English AND at least one of the following languages: Danish, German, French, **Portuguese**, **Spanish**, Russian, Chinese, Japanese, Polish, Italian, Dutch, Swedish, Finnish

Applicants should send an electronic copy of their resume and cover letter to Laurel Person Mecca at lperson@pitt.edu, and they should visit the QDAP web site at <http://qdap.ucsur.pitt.edu>

Assistant or Associate Professor

The Department of Sociology and Anthropology at the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO) invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant or Associate Professor to begin August 2008. PhD or ABD in sociology, anthropology or related discipline by the time of appointment is required. We are interested in applicants with an interest in teaching and research in health inequalities, especially racial/ethnic and social class disparities. Preference will be given to candidates with a track record in obtaining extramural funding, research publications, interdisciplinary collaborations, and excellence in teaching. The tenure home will be in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology at the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO). The person hired can obtain a courtesy appointment and conduct collaborative research with the Center for Health Disparities within the newly established College of Public Health at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, located in Omaha. For the successful applicant with the relevant interests, affiliations are possible with the intercollegiate programs such as Latino/Latin

American Studies, Native American Studies, Women's Studies, and the Department of Black Studies at UNO.

For detailed application information:

<https://careers.unomaha.edu/applicants/jsp/shared/frameset/Frameset.jsp?time=1190909918235>

Professor of Latin American Studies

Soka University of America/Aliso Viejo seeks applications for a position in Latin American Studies beginning mid-August, 2008. Applications from candidates with expertise in modern History, Political Science, Sociology, or Urban Geography are particularly welcome. This position, rank open, is available to both senior and junior scholars with a strong commitment to scholarship and teaching. Applicants for a tenure-track position are required to have their Ph.D. by August 2008. The successful candidate will have expertise in one or more regions of Latin American, and a comparative appreciation of Latin America within the Pacific Basin region a substantial plus. A commitment to excellence in undergraduate education is required. The standard teaching load at SUA is five courses per year. In this instance, a typical annual set of courses would include: Introduction to Latin American Studies, Introduction to the Pacific Basin, one General Education course, and two further courses in Latin American Studies. The successful candidate will have an integral role in the development of Latin American Studies as part of an interdisciplinary curriculum within the framework of International Studies.

The search will continue until an appointment is made. A letter of application, CV, at least 3 letters of recommendation, sample syllabi (2) and teaching evaluations (2 sets), recent publications and a statement of teaching and research interests should be sent to: Latin American Studies Position c/o Edward M. Feasel, Ph.D., Dean of Faculty, Soka University, 1 University Drive, Aliso Viejo, CA 92656

For more information: feasel@soka.edu, 949 480 4133 (Phone), 949 480 4027 (Fax)

Two positions in International Relations at the Department of International Studies at CIDE

The Department of International Studies at CIDE (Center for Research and Teaching in Economics) in Mexico City, seeks to fill two positions in International Relations, open to rank and subfield. Applicants must be prepared to work in conjunction with the Department to develop programmatic content and project initiatives in areas related to International Relations. Candidates should have a doctorate in hand by the date of appointment (August 2008). Spanish language proficiency is not required at the time of hire, though candidates are expected to become proficient within a reasonable period of time. CIDE is a public social science research institute with small, elite undergraduate and graduate programs. Salaries are comparable to US universities. The normal teaching load is one course per semester. Interested applicants should submit, by FedEx or equivalent service: cover letter, CV, statement of the future research agenda, writing sample, teaching evaluations (if applicable), and 3 letters of recommendation.

Applications completed as of **February 1, 2008**, are guaranteed full consideration. For more information, please visit the Department webpage,

http://www.cide.edu/div_estudios_internacionales.htm or contact:

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Library Visiting Fellowship Program 2008 - Yale University Library – Latin American Collection

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 2007. The deadline for applications is **April 4, 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.

Candidates for this fellowship must have a Ph.D. and be U.S. citizens. Applicants (junior faculty, independent researchers) are asked to submit a research proposal not exceeding three pages in length and a resume to the Council on Latin American and Iberian Studies at the address given below. Applicants must also arrange for two confidential letters of recommendation (in English) to be sent to the same address.

The proposal should address specifically the relevance of the Yale University Library collections to the proposed research. Prospective fellows are invited to consult the Library's home page at <http://www.library.yale.edu/> and its online catalog <http://orbis.library.yale.edu/> for information about Yale's collections. Applicants should have specific Yale resources in mind - not simply a desire to make use of a major research library - as they prepare their proposals.

A committee consisting of members of the faculty, the library staff, and the Council on Latin American and Iberian Studies will award the fellowship on the basis of the relevance of the proposal to unique holdings of the library, the merits and significance of the project, and the applicant's scholarly qualifications. The Award will be announced by about May 1, 2008.

Application materials and letters of recommendation are to be mailed to Library Visiting Fellowship Program, Council on Latin American and Iberian Studies, Yale University, 34 Hillhouse Avenue, Suite 342. P.O. Box 208206, New Haven, CT 06520-8206. Materials mailed to the committee must be postmarked no later than April 2, 2007. Electronic communications to the Committee may be sent to jean.silk@yale.edu. Materials submitted by e-mail must be received no later than April 4, 2008.

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.

Salud para Niños - Birmingham Clinic

Free Pediatric & Flu Immunization Clinics

Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh Care Mobile

Date: Saturday, December 1, 2007

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

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 Monday & Thursday (fall term)

Time: 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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

For more information: www.myspace.com/capoeirapittsburgh

Brazil Nuts Portuguese Club Events

Movie Marathon

We finalized all the details, and we will be having a Movie Marathon with the Spanish Club. You all can watch movies from Latin America and Spain in Portuguese and Spanish. We'll be offering snacks and some really great, famous Latin American films? How are you not going to have fun at an event like this? You can find the movie schedule below.

Date: Saturday December 1, 2007

Times: 12:30 to 11:25 pm

Location: Dining Room B, William Pitt Union

Diaros de Motocicleta

Start 12:30

End 2:26

Central do Brasil

Start 2:50

End 4:43

Hable con ella

Start 5:00
End 6:52

Cidade de Deus

Start 7:10
End 9:20

Y Tu Mamá También

Start 9:40
End 11:25

Bate-Papo

Come practice your Portuguese with speakers of all levels in informal conversation tables

Dates/Times: Tuesdays, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. & Wednesdays 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Location: William Pitt Union, Main floor, University of Pittsburgh

For more information: brazil@pitt.edu

Samba Dance Group

Come learn samba and axe' with the Brazil Nuts Grupo de Dança. You don't need any previous dance experience, and if you can walk, you can dance, so come learn some samba steps!

Dates: Every Thursday

Time: 8:30 p.m.

Location: 1st floor Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

For more information: brazil@pitt.edu

WRCT 88.3 FM - Revista Radial Latinoamericana/Latin American Radio Magazine

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

Dates: Every Thursday

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

Send any special announcements that you would like aired to:

Miguel Rojas Sotelo: rojaszotelo@hotmail.com, Martha Mantilla: martham@pitt.edu, 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

Beginning Spanish I

Spanish instruction for beginners, \$3.00 per class

Date: Every Tuesday

Time: 5:30 p.m.

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Date: Every Friday

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: Tango Cafe, 5806 Forward Avenue, Squirrel Hill

Contact: 412 421 1390, www.TangoCafePgh.com

Beginning Spanish II

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

Dates: Every Wednesday

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Tango Cafe, 5806 Forward Avenue, Squirrel Hill

Contact: 412 421 1390, www.TangoCafePgh.com

Beginning Spanish III

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

Dates: Every Tuesday

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Tango Cafe, 5806 Forward Avenue, Squirrel Hill

Contact: 412 421 1390, www.TangoCafePgh.com

Spanish Course for Beginners (NEW!)

Date: Every Thursday

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Location: Tango Cafe, 5806 Forward Avenue, Squirrel Hill

Cost: \$40 per month

Contact: 412 421 1390, www.TangoCafePgh.com

English Conversation Practice (for non-native speakers)

Practice English with native speakers

Dates: Every Friday

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Tango Cafe, 5806 Forward Avenue, Squirrel Hill

Contact: 412 421 1390, www.TangoCafePgh.com

Spanish Conversation "Tertulia"

Open Spanish conversation group

Dates: Every Saturday

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Location: Tango Cafe, 5806 Forward Avenue, Squirrel Hill

Contact: 412 421 1390, www.TangoCafePgh.com

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

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

*****Deadline*****

If you have an announcement related to a **Latin American/Caribbean activity** taking place during **January 2008** that you would like to share with others interested in the region, please send details by **December 16th** to: Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh, 4200 W.W. Posvar Hall, Pittsburgh, PA 15260; Fax: 412 648 2199; E-mail: clas@pitt.edu
Sorry, information will not be accepted over the telephone



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