



Summer 2007 Calendar

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****CLAS STUDENTS: IMPORTANT NOTICE****

GRADUATING IN AUGUST?

In order to have the Latin American Studies certificate/related concentration recorded on the transcripts of students who finish the program, the University requires each student to complete a Certificate Graduation Application. This is a separate application from the form that is completed for the degree. **DEADLINE:** Those of you who will be graduating in August 2007 should complete a Graduation Application in the offices of Latin American Studies by **May 17**. Applications are accepted after the deadline but the University imposes a late fee that increases with the delay in submission.

Questions? Contact **Shirley Kregar:** kregar@pitt.edu

2007 Brazilian Music Institute (BMI) - May 7 – 12, 2007

The University of Florida's Brazilian Music Institute (BMI) is now in its seventh year. Sponsored by the Center for World Arts, the Center for Latin American Studies, the School of Music, and the UF Student Government, each year the BMI brings outstanding Brazilian musicians for an intensive week of instruction with musicians residing in the United States. This year's BMI (May 7-12, 2007) provides a unique opportunity for guitarists to study with two exceptional Brazilian musicians: **Paulo Martelli** (Baroque eleven string and classical guitar) and **Diego Figueiredo** (Jazz and New Brazilian guitar). Combining classical and popular styles of music, the week-long institute features daily rehearsals and group lessons in Brazilian repertoire for guitar as well as performances featuring students and faculty. Two concluding concerts on the evening of May 10 and 11 will highlight the musical prowess of Paulo and Diego. Please join us for a week of music-making and experience some of the best of Brazilian music.

Welson Tremura

Director, Brazilian Music Institute

Goal: The goal of the BMI is to provide student and faculty artists as well as k-12 teachers the opportunity to learn about and experience Brazilian culture through its music and advanced repertoires. A new addition for the 2007 BMI is to serve as a liaison and academic resource to other Institutions through Digital Technology.

Schedule: All classes take place at the University of Florida School Of Music at the Music Building (room # 142 and 121) - University of Florida Campus, Newell Drive at Stadium Rd.

- Guitar with **Paulo Martelli** (Monday – Friday) 10:00 am – 11:45 am—Brazilian guitar technique, repertoire, and the new approach to the study of baroque music and transcriptions to unusual guitars.
- Guitar with **Diego Figueiredo** (Monday – Friday) 1:30 pm – 3:15 pm—Brazilian guitar harmony, repertoires of Brazilian popular music (MPB), techniques and methods for harmonizing and improvisation.

Closing Concerts—May 10 & 11, 7:30 PM
 Santa Fe Community College Auditorium (Building E)

Registration: Please request your application form by e-mail to Welson Tremura (tremura@ufl.edu). After completing your application, send it with a \$50 check for non-UF students (payable to the University of Florida) to Welson Tremura at: Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida, 319 Grinter Hall, PO Box 115530, Gainesville, Florida 32611-5530

Study Abroad/Research/Internship Opportunities

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

US State Department Internships

The US State Department has announced their student internship programs for 2007. These internships are available to all students with at least junior status (at the time of appointment) who are American citizens and able to obtain a government security clearance. This is a paid (not for credit) internship program. Postings are available in the Washington D.C area as well as in US embassies and government offices worldwide. The purpose of the internships is to expose students to the life and work of Foreign Service Officers and related personnel. Foreign language competency is desirable but not required to participate, and all majors can apply.

Application Deadline: **Spring 2008: July 1, 2007**

For more information: http://careers.state.gov/student/apply/student_internships.html or contact Vanessa Sterling, Academic Internship Coordinator, at 412 624-5428 or sterling@as.pitt.edu

Amizade in Cochabamba, Bolivia

Amizade is offering service-learning semesters beginning this fall in Cochabamba, Bolivia. Students will serve with local nonprofits, improve or learn Spanish-language skills, and earn 15 credits that will be formally granted through West Virginia University. Eric Hartman will be coordinating the academic portion of the program on site and teaching six of those credits (in International Development and Global Service-Learning) while the other nine credits will be taught by Bolivian professors.

For more information:

http://www.globalservicelearning.org/programs/bolivia_semester.htm

Master of Arts in Development Management and Policy (DEVM)

Buenos Aires, Argentina

Two-year interdisciplinary degrees are offered by the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences at Georgetown University, Washington D.C., and Universidad Nacional de General San Martin, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

For more information: <http://www.georgetown.edu/grad/devm/> or Dr. Eric Langenbacher, langebe@georgetown.edu, 202 687 5903

Call for Papers

1st Annual Stone Center Conference of Latin American and Latino Studies

Deadline for abstract submission is: May 1, 2007

Dates: October 12 -13, 2007

Location: Tulane University Uptown Campus, New Orleans

This conference is concerned with reconceptualizing Latin America as it applies to current social, political, and cultural theory. Our goal is to provide graduate students with the opportunity to exchange research ideas and build interdisciplinary scholarly networks in addition to fostering academic interest in Latin American and Latino Studies.

This Call for Papers is open to all theoretical disciplines for a better understanding of Latin American and Latino Studies. Topics may include, but are not limited to: migration; marginality; gender and sexuality; race; cultural hegemony; neoliberalism; public health and environment; literature; social movements; civil society; and democratic consolidation.

Presentation proposals should be no more than 250 words in English and should include name, academic affiliation, and contact information. Panel proposals will be given consideration.

Please submit your proposal electronically to: lagoconference@gmail.com

Hosted by Tulane University, Latin American Graduate Organization

Conferences

32nd Annual Conference of the Caribbean Studies Association

Dates: May 28 - June 1, 2007

Location: Universidade Federal da Bahia, Salvador da Bahia, Brazil

Conference Theme: "Alternative Interpretations of the Circum-Caribbean: Interrogating Connections Across History, Society, Culture, and Performance"

The aim of the conference is to advance the dialogue among and between scholars and practitioners in efforts to chart a course for the practical engagement of academic researchers with the problems facing the Caribbean region. By hosting the conference in Brazil, we seek to challenge the popular understandings of the Caribbean by emphasizing the cultural, historical, and social spaces rather than the national and territorial in its conceptualization.

For more information: Caribbean Studies Association Secretariat, Faculty of Social Sciences, The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad, Trinidad and Tobago, WI; Phone: 868 662 2002 (D. Phillips-Ag. Secretary, Ext 2670; J. Cooblal - Assistant Secretary, Ext 2410); Percy C. Hintzen, CSA President, African American Studies, 660 Barrows Hall University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA 94720-2572; csapresident@berkeley.edu

3rd Interdisciplinary Colloquium

Dates: October 11 - 13, 2007

Main Topic: "El Arte de (Con)vivir: The Art of (Co)existence."

The colloquium will feature three outstanding Keynote Speakers:

- Dr. John M. Lipski (Linguistics, Pennsylvania State University)
- Dr. Tace Hedrick (Spanish American Literature, University of Florida)
- Dr. Luis Alvarez Castro (Spanish Literature and Culture, University of Florida)

For more information: <http://plaza.ufl.edu/javisam/colloquium07>

Email: coloquiouf@yahoo.com

Sponsored by the Department of Romance Languages & Literatures, University of Florida

Fellowship Opportunities

Tulane University Teaching Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Latin American Studies

Applications must be received by May 18, 2007

The Stone Center for Latin American Studies invites applications for a one-year post-doctoral fellowship for the 2007-08 academic year. Applications from social scientists in the fields of urban studies, environmental studies, and policy studies are encouraged. Cuban or Andean area expertise preferred, but not required. Fellows will be selected following two criteria: intellectual merit; and the potential impact that their research, teaching, and experience would have on the strategic advancement of Latin American Studies at Tulane.

The fellowship carries a stipend of \$47,500 plus benefits and requires teaching two courses per semester. Fellows will also be expected to assume responsibility for leading at least one new Center initiative and/or will participate in advising and other on-going Center activities. Applicants must plan to complete their Ph.D. by June 2007. Preference will be given to those who have not had recent access to Tulane University's resources and whose research would benefit from such access. Please send a current curriculum vitae, a cover letter describing your research interests, a graduate transcript, writing sample, proposals for at least two courses or seminars, and three letters of recommendation to Post-Doctoral Fellowship Search, Stone

Center for Latin American Studies, 100 Jones Hall, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA 70118-5698.

For more information: James D. Huck (Assistant Director), 504 865 5164, jhuck@tulane.edu

Rotary World Peace Fellowship

The Rotary Foundation is now accepting applications for the 2007-2009 Rotary World Peace Fellowships. Successful candidates would pursue a master's level degree in international studies, peace studies, or conflict resolution at one of seven Rotary partner universities: University of California, Berkeley; Duke University; University of North Carolina; International Christian University; University of Queensland; University of Bradford; Universidad del Salvador.

Applicants must have a bachelor's degree, be committed to a career in peace building, and have relevant work experience. Interested candidates should apply via their local Rotary Club.

For more information:

http://www.rotary.org/foundation/educational/amb_scho/centers/scholars/index.html or rclistserv@rotary.org

Volunteer & Job Opportunities

Volunteer Opportunity with Global Links

Contribute to the improvement of healthcare in Latin America and the Caribbean! Volunteer at Global Links, a not-for-profit organization located in Pittsburgh. Founded in 1989, the organization recovers surplus medical materials from local hospitals and donates them to healthcare providers in developing countries. In 2005, Global Links recovered nearly 35 tons of unused surplus and, with the help of volunteers, packed and shipped over \$13 million worth of supplies to partner hospitals in Latin America and the Caribbean. Global Links has a vibrant and growing outreach program—an opportunity for people to learn about medical supply surplus in the United States and the critical need for medical aid in developing countries.

For more information: www.globallinks.org or contact Volunteer Coordinators: Jennifer Novelli or Hayley Doering at 412 361 3424, Ext. 205

Customer Support Assistant Position

The Customer Support Tier 1 Assistant's primary function will be to effectively support Ariba applications for both internal and external customers. Support includes site navigation and system troubleshooting as well as interfacing with other Ariba teams to ensure world-class service. Assistants will provide complete satisfaction for all customer interactions. (Fluency in Portuguese is a plus)

For more information, or to apply for this position:

<http://ariba.recruitmax.com/ENG/candidates/default.cfm?szCategory=jobprofile&szOrderID=2746>

Project Coordinator Position

The Latin American Human Rights Education and Research Network (RedLEIDH) is a six-year project that brings together York University's Centre for Research on Latin America and the Caribbean (CERLAC) and Osgoode Hall Law School in a new network of

Latin American universities and civil society organizations to promote human rights education, applied research and capacity-building in the region. CIDA will fund activities until March 2010.

Responsibilities: The Project Coordinator will play a key role in the implementation of the initiative including providing leadership in the administration and coordination of projects both in Canada and Latin America, preparing detailed reports to CIDA and communicating with the public.

Qualifications: Understanding of the political, economic, social and human rights context of Latin America and Canada-Latin America relations. Excellent communication skills in English and Spanish, including ability to write complex reports and communicate clearly with Latin American partners and external granting agencies. Minimum 2-3 years related experience.
- University undergraduate degree preferably in Political Science, International Development, Latin American studies or related fields. Ability to work collaboratively within the project team and with a variety of institutional partners in the region. Ability to understand and to assist in the preparation of budgets and other financial and project planning documents. Strong organizational skills, a self-initiating work ethic, flexibility and effective communication and interpersonal skills.
- Able to exercise initiative and work both independently and in a team environment.
- Experience working in Latin America an asset. Ability to travel in Latin America.

Application process: Applicants are requested to submit their resumes, contact information for at least three work-related references, and a cover letter detailing their interest in and qualifications for the position by **Friday May 4, 2007**. It is anticipated that applicants to be interviewed will be contacted by the end of the following week.

Applications should be submitted to Bill Fairbairn (redleidl@yorku.ca) or delivered to him at CERLAC 240-C York Lanes, York University, 4700 Keele St. Toronto, ON M3J 1P3, Canada.

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.

Learn About Cuba! Spotlight on Education and Health Care with a report by Susan

Smith, Ph.D. (Member of Women's International League for Peace & Freedom's Research Delegation of November 2006) Presentation and Discussion

Date: Saturday, May 5, 2007

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: East Liberty Lutheran Church, 4707 Penn Avenue, East Liberty

Suggested Donation: \$5.00 - \$15.00

For more information: Susan, smsmith99@verizon.net, 412 441 5861; or Edith, edith.bell4@verizon.net, 412 661 7149

Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh Care Mobile - Birmingham Clinic

Free Pediatric & Flu Shot Clinics

Dates: Saturday, May 12, & June 23, 2007

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

Location: Salvation Army, 54 S. 9th Street, Southside
For more information: 412 692-4706 or 412 481-7900, ext. 281

Coro Latinoamericano Pittsburgh Spring Concert

Date: Saturday, May 19, 2007
Time: 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.
Location: Frick Fine Arts Auditorium, University of Pittsburgh
For more information: www.elcorolatino.com

51st Pittsburgh Folk Festival featuring Bésame

Date: Friday, May 25, 2007
Time: 9:00 - 10:00 p.m.
Location: David Lawrence Convention Center, Downtown Pittsburgh
For more information: www.besamepittsburgh.com

Amigos Del Cine Latinoamericano

Dates: Every Friday
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Frick Fine Arts Auditorium, University of Pittsburgh, Oakland
For more information: Miguel Rojas Sotelo, mir6@pitt.edu
For the complete schedule of this movie series please go to:
http://rojaszotelo.googlepages.com/*seewholecalendar

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. Classes will teach the regional and benguela styles of capoeira. Campus classes for University of Pittsburgh students only, off-campus classes are available to non-students.

Dates: Every Tuesday & Friday (Spring term)
Time: 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Tuesday), 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. (Friday)
For more information: capoeirapittsburgh@gmail.com

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

Dates: Every Tuesday

Time: 5:30 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

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

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

Beginning Spanish I

Spanish instruction for beginners, \$3.00 per class

Dates: Every Friday

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Location: Tango Cafe, 5806 Forward Avenue, Squirrel Hill

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 Nights with Azucar

Dates: Every Thursday
Time: Dance lessons from 8:30 - 9:30 p.m., Show from 9:30 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.
Location: Dowe's on 9th, 121 Ninth Street, Downtown Pittsburgh
For more information: Check out the schedule www.azucarband.com,
www.doweson9th.com or email Indiracorales@yahoo.com

Latin Music & Dance

Dates: Every Saturday
Time: 9:30 p.m.
Location: Buon Giorno Cafe, 5 Market Square, Downtown Pittsburgh
Contact: 412 471 9158

Salsa Party

Dates: Every Saturday
Time: 10:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. (Free Salsa lesson 10:00 - 10:20 p.m.)
Location: Dulce Cafe, 1627 Oak Grove Street, Swissvale
Cost: \$5 at the door
Contact: 412 247 5944 or capiruleto@hotmail.com

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 **August 2007** that you would like to share with others interested in the region, please send details by **July 23rd** to: Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh, 4200 Wesley W. Posvar Hall, Pittsburgh, PA 15260; Fax: 412-648-2199; E-mail: clas@ucis.pitt.edu
Sorry, information will not be accepted over the telephone



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