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Dear Educators:

I hope this letter finds you enjoying the school year and looking forward to spring. I want to thank you for your continued support of the Center for Latin American Studies’ (CLAS) Outreach Program.

I am writing to invite you to participate in new outreach programs being held at the University of Pittsburgh. There are also several new opportunities for educators to participate in professional development throughout the U.S. and Latin America being held during Summer 2009.

As you may know, CLAS is one of 18 National Resource Centers (NRCs) on Latin America in the country. As such, we receive funding from the U.S. Department of Education to conduct teacher training workshops and to assist educators in teaching about this world region. Several of the Latin American NRCs have combined their funding to be able to offer scholarships for summer professional development for teachers.

CLAS is offering a scholarship for up to $1,500 for an area K-12 teacher to attend one of these programs. Information about the scholarship, how to apply, and the programs available are on page 3.

CLAS and the Andy Warhol Museum have received a Fulbright Hays Group Project Abroad grant that allows us to take middle school and high school teachers to Brazil. The travel to Brazil will take place during Summer 2009. Details on this program and how to apply are on page 2.

Finally, I would like to bring your attention to the enclosed announcements regarding future programs that appear throughout the newsletter.

Again, thank you for your continued support of CLAS’ outreach programs. I am looking forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

M. Rosalind Santavicca
Outreach Coordinator
Center for Latin American Studies
Fulbright-Hays Group Project to Brazil— 2009

The Center for Latin American Studies (CLAS) and The Andy Warhol Museum (AWM) are pleased to announce that we have received a Fulbright-Hays Group Project Abroad grant to conduct a professional development program in Brazil. Contingent upon receiving funding, we would like to invite middle and high school educators to participate in Art & Society: Brazil/U.S. Educational Partnership during summer 2009.

The goal of this project is to enable U. S. social studies and art educators to teach about Brazilian culture and society through the lens of the visual, literary, and performing arts. Participants will conduct research and acquire educational materials to design interdisciplinary, middle/high school level curriculum on Brazilian culture.

The project will consist of five distinct components: (1) Brazilian Portuguese language training to be conducted in Pittsburgh as part of the pre-trip seminar and to continue in Brazil; (2) a pre-trip seminar at the University of Pittsburgh and The Andy Warhol Museum; (3) a five-week field research and material collection segment in the States of Rio de Janeiro and Bahia, Brazil; (4) a post-trip curriculum development seminar at the University of Pittsburgh and The Andy Warhol Museum; and (5) a curriculum sharing and dissemination phase.

Applicants must be able to participate in the program in its entirety. This means that teachers must be able to participate in all aspects of the program – language training, pre-trip seminar, research in Brazil, and the post-trip curriculum development and dissemination.

The proposed project timeline is:

June 2009: Pre-trip seminar and begin language training (either on Saturdays or Weekday evenings for approximately 8 weeks).

July-August 2009: Five-week field research (to including continuing language training) in the states of Rio de Janeiro (3 weeks) and Bahia (2 weeks), Brazil.

Mid September or early October 2009: Evening post-trip curriculum development (either on Saturdays or Weekday evenings for approximately 8 weeks).

During the post-trip seminar the participants, working with a curriculum development specialist, will be required to write a curricular unit related to the field trip research. Teachers may work in teams throughout all phases of the project. Each team will be responsible for an interdisciplinary unit of the new curriculum. The details will be outlined as part of the pre-trip seminar. (For examples of previous project lessons please see: www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/brazil_proj and www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/nicaragua_proj.)

The selection process: Preference will be given to educators in Pennsylvania, Ohio, and West Virginia. Middle and high school visual, literary, and performing art and social studies teachers are encouraged to apply. All applications will be carefully reviewed by a selection committee. Evaluation of writing skills will be an important component of the selection process.

The application deadline is April 28, 2009. For details about the program, passport information, costs covered by grant and to download the application forms please go to the CLAS website at http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/outreach/k-12.html#brazil or you may request that the forms be mailed to you.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact:

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Nicole Dezelon (AWM) at 412.237.8365 or by email at dezelonn@warhol.org.
The Center for Latin American Studies of the University of Pittsburgh is offering up to a $1,500 scholarship for one teacher to attend any of the following workshops. To apply, please provide your name, school, subject, home address, phone number and email address ALONG WITH a detailed budget listing projected expenses to include workshop fees, airfare or car mileage expenses, hotel and food to: Rosalind Santavicca, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh, 4205 Posvar Hall, Pittsburgh, PA 15260. If you have any question, please email Rosalind at alinda@pitt.edu.

**June 9-12, 2009**

**Hemispheres Summer Teachers’ Institute: Sense of Place: Intersecting Geography, History, and Culture**  
Location: Austin, Texas  
Contact: Natalie Arsenault, Outreach Director, Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies (LLILAS), University of Texas at Austin, 1 University Station D0800, Austin, Texas 78712-0331; (512) 232-2404  
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www.utexas.edu/cola/orgs/hemispheres/  

**June 22-July 18, 2009**  
**Online course: Using Children’s Literature to Explore Latin American/Latino Cultural Heritage**  
Location: fully online, offered by UW-Milwaukee  
Contact: Julie Kline, Outreach and Academic Program Coordinator, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, PO Box 413, Milwaukee, WI 53201; (414) 229-5986  
jkline@uwm.edu  
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**June 23 – August 6, 2009**  
**Latin American Studies for Teachers: A Survey of Latin America: Past and Present**  
Location: Cambridge, Massachusetts  
Contact: Maria Regan, Outreach and Publications Manager, David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, Harvard University, 1730 Cambridge St., Cambridge, MA 02138; (617) 496-0202  
regan@fias.harvard.edu  
www.drclas.harvard.edu/  
www.summer.harvard.edu/2009/courses/32175.jsp?caller=dce  

**July 5-17, 2009**  
**Yale-Georgetown Summer Institute for Educators: Latin America and the Cold War**  
Location: New Haven, Connecticut and Washington, D.C.  
Contact: Elena Gibbons Serapiglia, Council on Latin American and Iberian Studies, Yale University, New Haven, CT 06520; (203) 432-5605  
elena.serapiglia@yale.edu  
www.yale.edu/macmillan/pier/institutes/lais_2009.htm  

**July 7-10, 2009**  
**Summer Teacher Institute: Migrantes: Migration’s Impact on Mexican and Central American Lives**  
Location: Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
Contact: Julie Kline, Outreach and Academic Program Coordinator, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, PO Box 413, Milwaukee, WI 53201; (414) 229-5986  
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**July 8-10, 2009**  
**Summer Teacher Institute: Performance in Latin America: Exploring African Diaspora in the Americas**  
Location: New Orleans, Louisiana  
Contact: Denise Woltering, Outreach Program Manager, Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Tulane University, 100 Jones Hall New Orleans, LA 70118; (504) 862-3143  
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UPCOMING EVENTS

The 30th Latin American & Caribbean Festival
Saturday, October 3, 2009
Noon-Midnight
William Pitt Union
University of Pittsburgh

Model United Nations Simulation
Monday, November 9, 2009

Foreign Language for Elementary Schools (FLES)
Date to be announce

Fulbright Hays Program in Brazil
Summer 2009

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