



# February 2010 Calendar

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## CLAS Conference

### **2010 Student Conference on Latin American Social and Public Policy**

The purpose of this conference is to provide an opportunity for graduate and undergraduate students to present papers, works-in-progress (including term papers, dissertations, and conference papers, etc.), and other academic work with relevance to Latin American social and public policy.

**Conference dates:** February 19-20, 2010

**Location:** University Club, 123 University Place, Oakland

**For more information, please visit:**

<http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/events/laspp/lasppform.html>

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## Lectures/Colloquia

### **"Subversive Vermin": Marcos's Zapatismo, Anti-Neoliberal Discourse, and Cold War Anxiety** a public lecture by **John Ochoa**

The 1990s emergence of Zapatismo in Chiapas, Mexico, was at once a highly local movement in defense of indigenous rights as well as a grand political gesture against capitalist globalization. The coexistence of these two vastly different battle-fronts within a single, emancipatory language is further complicated when we consider the intellectual history of the rhetorical strategies that underwrite this very language of emancipation. This lecture explores the hidden affinities between Zapatista anti-neoliberalism and the Cold War discourse of anticommunism, along with the political implications of this intersection.

John Ochoa is the author of *The Uses of Failure in Mexican Literature and Identity* (2005) and editor of *Bitacora del cruce* (2006), an anthology of the work of Guillermo Gómez Peña. He works in the Department of Spanish, Italian and Portuguese at Penn State University.

**Date:** Monday, February 1, 2010

**Time:** 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

**Location:** 602 Cathedral of Learning, University of Pittsburgh

**For more information:** contact Josh Lund, [jkl7@pitt.edu](mailto:jkl7@pitt.edu)

*Sponsored by the History Department (University of Pittsburgh, Greensburg campus), along with the Department of History and the Center for Latin American Studies (University of Pittsburgh, main campus)*

## **Global Health Lecture Series: Haiti's Road to Recovery**

Haiti, the poorest country in the Western hemisphere, has endured years of natural disasters and crises. Its people are now suffering from a natural disaster of unfathomable proportions. This time of human tragedy is also a time of opportunity—an opportunity to take action in a thoughtful way to help those who were left devastated by this disaster. Join us for a discussion on the topic to gain a deeper understanding of this disaster and appreciate ways that we can help with short and longer term recovery efforts. Dr. Donald Burke, associate vice chancellor for global health, will serve as moderator. Panelists include faculty and community members who have worked in Haiti and have expertise in earthquakes, disaster response, long-term recovery, public health, health care delivery, and responsible philanthropy.

The event is free and open to the public. Registration is not required.

**Date:** Tuesday, February 2, 2010

**Time:** 4:00 - 5:30p.m.

**Location:** University Club, 123 University Place, Oakland

**For more information, please visit the website:** [www.globalhealth.pitt.edu](http://www.globalhealth.pitt.edu)

*Sponsored by the Center for Global Health in partnership with the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Graduate School of Public Health, School of Law, Center for Disaster Management, Center for Public Health Preparedness, Johnson Institute for Responsible Leadership, Philanthropy Forum of the Johnson Institute for Responsible Leadership, Center for Latin American Studies, Global Studies Program, and Global Links.*

## **Humanities Center Colloquium Series**

**"Malungaje: Toward a Poetics of Diaspora"** a discussion featuring **Jerome**

**Branche** (Associate Professor, Department of Hispanic Languages & Literatures)

Participants in Humanities departments should be able to access colloquium papers two weeks before the event by logging in to [my.pitt.edu](http://my.pitt.edu), clicking on the tab "My Communities," clicking on "Humanities Center," and then clicking on "Colloquium Series" where there is a link to the pdf file. Participants may also request the reading at [humctr@pitt.edu](mailto:humctr@pitt.edu).

**Date:** Thursday, February 11, 2010

**Time:** 12:30 p.m.

**Location:** 602 Cathedral of Learning, University of Pittsburgh

**For more information:** please email [humctr@pitt.edu](mailto:humctr@pitt.edu) or visit <http://www.humcenter.pitt.edu/events/announcements.php>

**"Letras prohibidas y escritores estigmatizados en el mundo letrado"** a lecture by **Mercedes Niño-Murcia** (University of Iowa)

Mercedes Niño-Murcia, who chairs the Department of Spanish and Portuguese at the University of Iowa is a sociolinguist specializing in language contact and vernacular literacy in Spanish America, especially in the Andean countries. She has authored numerous articles in the field of Hispanic linguistics. Co-editor of *Escritura y Sociedad: Nuevas perspectivas teóricas y etnográficas* (Lima 2005) and of *Bilingualism and Identity: Spanish at the Crossroads with Other Languages* (Amsterdam 2008), she is the co-author of the forthcoming book *The Lettered Mountain* (Duke University Press, 2010).

***This lecture is in Spanish***

**Date:** Thursday, February 18, 2010

**Time:** 2:30 p.m.

**Location:** 602 Cathedral of Learning, University of Pittsburgh

**For more information:** [humctr@pitt.edu](mailto:humctr@pitt.edu)

*Sponsored by the Center for Latin American Studies, the Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, the Department of Linguistics and the Humanities Center of the University of Pittsburgh*

**"Where Neoplatonism meets Ethnology: Garcilaso and the Gods of Huarochirí"** a lecture by **Frank Salomon** (University of Wisconsin-Madison)

Frank Salomon is one of the leading figures in Andean anthropology, and holds an endowed chair, the John V. Murra Professorship of Anthropology, at the University of Wisconsin. His prize-winning and influential book, *Cord Keepers: Khipus and Cultural Life in a Peruvian Village* (Duke University Press, 2004), uses evidence from history, archeology and cultural anthropology to understand khipus, the knotted cords of the central Andes. His other works include a multilingual edition of the *Huarochirí* manuscript (University of Texas Press, 1991) and his co-edited volume of the *Cambridge History of the Native Peoples of the Americas* (Cambridge University Press, 1999). He is the co-author of the forthcoming book *The Lettered Mountain* (Duke University Press, 2010).

**Date:** Thursday, February 18, 2010

**Time:** 4:00 p.m.

**Location:** Room 232 Cathedral of Learning, University of Pittsburgh

**For more information:** please email [humctr@pitt.edu](mailto:humctr@pitt.edu)

*Sponsored by the Center for Latin American Studies, the Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, the Department of Linguistics and the Humanities Center of the University of Pittsburgh*

**Discussion of *The Lettered Mountain* with Frank Salomon** (University of Wisconsin) and **Mercedes Niño-Murcia** (University of Iowa)

Chapters of forthcoming book will be circulated in advance; please send a message to [humcenter@pitt.edu](mailto:humcenter@pitt.edu)

**Date:** Friday February 19, 2010

**Time:** 1:30 p.m.

**Location:** 602 Cathedral of Learning, University of Pittsburgh

**For more information:** please email [humctr@pitt.edu](mailto:humctr@pitt.edu)

*Sponsored by the Center for Latin American Studies, the Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures, the Department of Linguistics and the Humanities Center of the University of Pittsburgh*

**"Talking with Fidel: The Secret History of US-Cuba Relations"** a lecture by **Dr. Peter Kornbluh** (National Security Archives)

A year after Barack Obama became president with a promise for civil dialogue with Cuba, U.S.-Cuban relations remain mired in hostility and punitive policies. What are the lessons of dialogue with the Castros that Washington has failed to heed? Peter Kornbluh will discuss the untold history of secret U.S. talks with Cuba, and the historical precedents for normalizing relations.

Peter Kornbluh has been a Senior Analyst at the National Security Archive since 1986. He currently directs the Archive's Cuba and Chile Documentation Projects. He was co-director of the Iran-contra documentation project and director of the Archive's project on U.S. policy toward Nicaragua. He is the author/editor/co-editor of a number of Archive books; among them, the Archive's first two documents readers: *The Cuban Missile Crisis, 1962* and *The Iran-Contra Scandal: The Declassified History* (both by The New Press), and *Bay of Pigs Declassified: The Secret CIA Report on the Invasion of Cuba* (The New Press, 1998). On the 30th anniversary

of the Chilean military coup in September 2003 he published *The Pinochet File: A Declassified Dossier on Atrocity and Accountability*, which the Los Angeles Times selected as a "best book" of the year. His articles have been published in *Foreign Policy*, *The New York Review of Books*, the *New Yorker*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *Los Angeles Times*, and many other journals and newspapers. He has also appeared on national television and radio broadcasts.

**Date:** Wednesday, March 3, 2010

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

**Location:** 3703 Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

**For more information:** contact Steven Hirsh, [sjh3@pitt.edu](mailto:sjh3@pitt.edu)

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## 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Latin American and Caribbean Festival

**Featuring Mexican Artist Armando Jiménez Aragón**

**Date:** Saturday, March 27, 2010

**Time:** 12:00 p.m. to Midnight

**Location:** William Pitt Union, 3959 Fifth Avenue, University of Pittsburgh

**For more information:** contact Luz Amanda Hank, 412-648-7394, [lavst12@pitt.edu](mailto:lavst12@pitt.edu)

*Sponsored by the Center for Latin American Studies, the Latin American Cultural Union, and Med Health Services & Pittsburgh Cardiovascular Institute*

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### Special Film Presentation: The Coca-Cola Case

You'll never look at a can of Coke the same way after seeing this documentary.

Directors German Gutierrez and Carmen Garcia present a searing indictment of the Coca-Cola empire and its alleged kidnapping, torture and murder of union leaders trying to improve working conditions in Colombia, Guatemala and Turkey. The filmmakers follow labor rights lawyers Daniel Kovalik and Terry Collingsworth and an activist for the Stop Killer-Coke!

Campaign, Ray Rogers, as they attempt to hold the giant U.S. multinational beverage company accountable in this legal and human rights battle.

**Date:** Wednesday, February 3, 2010

**Time:** 7:00 p.m. (reception), 7:30 p.m. (film)

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

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## Amigos del Cine Latinoamericano Spring 2010 Film Series

### De Género a Género - From Genre to Gender

**FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

The concepts of genre and gender are entangled in struggles involving purity, difference, authenticity, prejudice and stereotype. All of the films in this series represent instances of these struggles and emerge as opportunities for the audience to engage in a cross-cultural reflection about their own conceptions and misconceptions, since the films all confront viewers with characters and stories that challenge the idea of a stable and coherent sexuality, and wonder in their own ways how do sex and gender define us and whether they should define us at all.

Most films will be presented on **Fridays at 6:30 p.m.** at the **Frick Fine Arts Auditorium** (except for the following Thursdays: February 4, February 18, and April 8). As

usual, we will give a short introduction of the film and after the presentation you are welcome to stay for a discussion.

**Some films are adult in nature and may not be appropriate for young audiences.**

**For more information:** [amigoscinelatinoamericano@gmail.com](mailto:amigoscinelatinoamericano@gmail.com), and for updated film titles and descriptions, go to <http://www.amigosdelcinelatinoamericano.blogspot.com/>

**Sponsored by:** *the Center for Latin American Studies, Department of Hispanic Languages & Literatures, Eduardo Lozano Latin American Library Collection.*

**Upcoming Films:**

**Thursday, February 4, 2010**

**Film: Los amantes del círculo polar - Lovers of the Arctic Circle**

(Drama) (Dir. Julio Medem - Spain/ France, 1998)

Circle is the key word here. Spanish filmmaker Julio Medem's dreamy, exquisitely constructed romance, set in Spain and Finland, finds poetry in geometry, particularly in the never-ending spherical shape of fated love. Taciturn lovers Otto and Ana -the palindromic names are no accident- meet as children and instantly recognize each other as missing halves of a soulful whole (three different pairs of actors play the duo).

**February 11& 12, 2010**

*No film presented*

**Thursday, February 18, 2010**

**Film: Princesas** (Dir. Fernando León de Aranoa - Spain, 2005)

In Princesas, Caye comes from a middle-class family unaware of her life as a prostitute. Zuleman is a beautiful woman from the Dominican Republic who works the streets to support a son back home. Both wolme pin their dreams on money or idealized relationships. Caye and Zule share in discovery of self-determination. While it contains director Fernando Leon de Aranoa's signature concern with the forces that constrain working-class people, Princesas is social realism infused with a wonderful figurative touch.

**Friday, February 26, 2010**

**Film: Novia que te vea** (Guita Schyfer - Mexico, 1994)

Based on the novel by Rosa Nissan, this 1994 Mexican film presents a warm and touching tale set within the Mexican Jewish community, starting with a prologue in the 1920s and spanning all the way to the present. The film focuses on two young women: the sensitive, wide-eyed Oshi Mataraso and the rebellious and idealistic Rifke, and their coming-of-age in a time ripe with alienation, self-discovery, revolution, destruction, and rebirth. Besides exploring gender expression at the intersection of tradition and modernity in the Mexican Jewish community, the movie also discusses Jewish-Catholic relations in Mexico as well as Mexican Jew's feelings toward the State of Israel, thus constituting a broader interrogation of the meaning of "Mexicanness".

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**Conferences**

**National Association of Hispanic and Latino Studies**

**Conference dates:** February 8-13, 2010

**Location:** Crowne Plaza Executive Center, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

**For more information:** go to the NAAAS website, [www.naaas.org](http://www.naaas.org), or contact the conference organizers, [naaasconference@earthlink.net](mailto:naaasconference@earthlink.net) or 207-839-8004

### **XXX Annual ILASSA Student Conference**

The Student Conference on Latin America, organized by the Institute of Latin American Studies Student Association (ILASSA) at The University of Texas at Austin, is an interdisciplinary forum for students involved in Latin American research topics. The conference provides students with the opportunity to present research activities, develop presentational skills, exchange ideas and information, and meet other scholars from around the world. The conference, now in its 30th year, is the oldest and largest student conference in the field of Latin American Studies.

**Conference dates:** February 4-6, 2010

**Location:** Thompson Conference Center, The University of Texas at Austin, Texas

**For more information, please visit:** <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/insts/llilas/conferences/>

### **9<sup>TH</sup> Ohio Latin Americanist Conference**

**Theme: Modern Latin America: The Blurring of Ideological Platforms**

The Ohio University Latin American Studies Program is pleased to host the Latin Americanist Conference for the year 2010. We proudly invite you, and all Latin Americanist scholars, educators, and students, to participate in the ninth annual interdisciplinary meeting on the state of Latin American studies and research in Ohio and surrounding areas. In addition Ohio University is celebrating its Latin American Studies Program's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

**Conference dates:** February 26-27, 2010

**Location:** Ohio University, Athens, Ohio

**For more information, please visit:** <http://www.las.ohio.edu/>

### **The II International Conference on Caribbean Studies (ICCS)**

The main theme emphasizes, but is not thematically limited to, the interdisciplinary character of the conference. We suggest additionally the following topics:

- Theory-critic production from the Caribbean.
- Regional Caribbean integration and with Latin America.
- Studies about art, including music and painting.
- Cultural and literary studies: A Caribbean transnational perspective.
- Transatlantic Studies: Caribbean /Europe/Africa.
- Articulate dynamics between the Caribbean, the Pacific and Brazil.
- Andean/Caribbean socio-cultural dynamics in Colombia.
- Race, gender and subalternity epistemology.
- Higher education and Caribbean pedagogies in view of globalization.
- Caribbean Diasporas.
- Environmental and cultural sustainability of the Caribbean.

**Conference dates:** March 15-19, 2010

**Location:** University of Cartagena, Cloister of St. Augustine, Cartagena de Indias, Colombia

**For more information:** contact Kevin Sedeño Guillén ([kesedeno@areandina.edu.co](mailto:kesedeno@areandina.edu.co), or 57-1-346-6600, ext. 161)

### **19th Annual Columbia/NYU Graduate Student Conference on Hispanic and Lusophone Literatures and Cultures**

**Title of Conference:** "Rooms for Discussion"

"Rooms for Discussion" will experiment with a change from the traditional format of the conference to that of the workshop. To that end, we ask graduate students to submit proposals related to the issues they are researching and concerned about in order to discuss them broadly among peers from different critical backgrounds. We believe this format will allow the

participants an active role and will fulfill a basic goal of graduate student conferences: the discussion of our research. We look forward to receiving proposals for topics in Hispanic and Lusophone cultures that articulate various problems in our areas of study.

The workshops will be structured around brief presentations (three pages) that describe the central issues of a research project in progress; these texts will be accessible ahead of time on the conference website. Each presentation will be complemented by dialogue with a pre-assigned respondent who will open the discussion. Participants and attendees will arrange themselves in a circle and there will be plenty of time for exchange. The dynamic of questions, discussion, and suggestions will permit a fluid, open interaction that will give participants the opportunity to present their work more freely.

**Conference dates:** April 2-3, 2010

**For more information, please visit:** [www.roomsfordiscussion.blogspot.com](http://www.roomsfordiscussion.blogspot.com)

### **V Transatlantic Conference, "Futuros (Transiciones, Agencias, Traducciones)"**

The Transatlantic Project at Brown University welcomes abstracts on new trends, topics, agents, and cultural artifacts that are configuring the immediacy of the future. Proposals on new ideas, debates and scenarios are expected. Also welcome are sessions on narratives of the new, young film and music, as well as sessions on blogs and electronic literature. Papers, in Spanish or English, may document a sense of the future as a process of translation, a state of bilingualism, and the rise of networks of communication.

The conference is especially interested in, but not limited to, the perspectives of Cuban reforms and discussions on modernity in Peru. Proposals on ethical issues, political discourses, and class and cultural representations are also welcome.

We will celebrate the writers Luis Goytisolo (Spain), Sergio Ramírez (Nicaragua) and Reina María Rodríguez (Cuba). The centenaries of Emilio Adolfo Westphalen and José María Arguedas as well as 40 years of Alfredo Bryce Echenique's *Un mundo para Julius* convoke special sessions.

**Conference dates:** April 7-10, 2010

**Location:** Brown University

**Registration:** students (\$75), professors (\$100)

*Sponsored by Brown's Department of Hispanic Studies, Center for Latin American Studies, the Office of the President, and the Dean of the Faculty, with support from the Instituto Cervantes, New York, Universidad de Guadalajara, TEC de Monterrey, and CONACULTA, Mexico.*

### **9<sup>th</sup> Annual Graduate Conference**

**Theme:** "1810-2010: Two Hundred Years of Postcolonial Futures"

**Keynote Speaker:** Fernando Coronil, *CUNY Graduate Center*

Using the theme, "1810-2010: Two Hundred Years of Postcolonial Futures," the conference seeks to use the bicentennial of numerous Latin American independence movements to examine and debate the degrees of rupture and continuity in the region's two centuries of post colonialism. Similar to the years 1810 and 1910, many Latin American states, political and social movements, and citizens will use the year 2010 to mark a moment of rupture with the past and an opportunity to imagine alternative futures and utopias. Despite many advances since independence, 2010 will also mark two centuries of promises of futures never realized in Latin America. Since 1810, many proclaimed moments of change and rupture have been constrained by colonial and neo-colonial cultural, political, and economic legacies.

**Conference date:** April 9, 2010

**Location:** Stony Brook Manhattan, New York

For more information, please visit: <http://naples.cc.sunysb.edu/CAS/lacc.nsf/pages/conf>  
Hosted by the Latin American & Caribbean Studies Center, Stony Brook University

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## Fellowship/Grant Opportunities

### **Postdoctoral Fellowship Program: Social Science in Practice**

As part of a new initiative that will affect how social science is taught and practiced at UCLA, the Dean of the Division of Social Sciences has created a postdoctoral fellowship program. The ideal postdoctoral candidates will be scholars who have demonstrated through their research that they can draw on social science theory and methods to examine the origins and effects of societal problems and to search for their solutions. Postdoctoral fellows will work closely with faculty and students who bridge fields and transform disciplinary boundaries to address an important societal problem (e.g., poverty, discrimination, racism, gender inequity, corruption, lack of access to education and health care, and environmental injustice). The Dean will offer up to six, two-year postdoctoral fellowships. Candidates must have completed all requirements for their doctoral degree before the program begins, July 1, 2010, and must have received their doctoral degree no earlier than November 1, 2007.

To apply, candidates must submit (a) a two to three page research proposal, (b) the names of two UCLA faculty sponsors/mentors at least one of whom is in the division of social sciences, (c) a CV, (d) a writing sample such as an article or thesis chapter and (e) three letters of recommendation by **February 19, 2010**.

For more information, please visit: <http://ssip-postdoc.sscnet.ucla.edu/>

### **2010-2011 LASC Visiting Scholars Program**

Pending final approval of funding, the Latin American Studies Center at the University of Maryland, College Park, is pleased to announce the competition for residential fellowships for the 2010-2011 academic year. We welcome proposals on any topic related to Latin America and the Caribbean.

LASC will consider applications for one semester from junior or senior scholars. Stipends will be between \$20,000 and \$30,000 depending on available funding and scholars' qualifications. Senior scholars may be eligible for a one-semester appointment as Distinguished Scholar, which carries a stipend equal to half the scholar's yearly salary, up to \$55,000. Scholars from Latin America may be reimbursed up to \$3,000 for relocation expenses.

Visiting Scholars must hold a PhD or equivalent. Scholars from any country are eligible. Applicants are not required to be affiliated with an academic institution.

Applications must include:

- 1) the application form
- 2) a description of the proposed research to be carried out while in residence (2,500 words maximum)
- 3) a writing sample of 20-40 pages (non-returnable)
- 4) a curriculum vitae
- 5) three letters of reference

Complete applications are due **March 1, 2010**

Announcement of awards will be made April 30, 2010

Application form available at:

<http://www.lasc.umd.edu/fellowship/Post-Doc/applicationnew.htm>



**For further information and applications contact:** The Latin American Studies Center, 3107 Taliaferro Hall, University of Maryland College Park, MD 20742. Phone: 301-405-6459, Fax: 301-405-3665, E-mail: [lasc@umd.edu](mailto:lasc@umd.edu)

**The William Zitzmann Visiting Scholar Fellowship in Latin American Studies**

Deadline for receipts of applications is **March 1, 2010**

The Program in Latin American Studies (PLAS) at Johns Hopkins University invites applications for the William Zitzmann Visiting Scholar Fellowship for the academic year 2010-11. The Fellowship is for one semester in residence at Johns Hopkins University (August 20- December 20, 2010 or January 5 - June 1, 2011). The competition is open to Latin American scholars who work and live in Latin America, and who hold a Master's degree or higher in the fields of social sciences, humanities and history.

The fellow will teach one undergraduate course, present a paper on his or her research for PLAS faculty and students, participate in the PLAS colloquia series and annual conference, and otherwise engage in the intellectual life of the Program. Because courses are taught in English, proficiency in both written and spoken English is required of all Visiting Scholars.

The Fellowship offers a \$20,000 stipend, health insurance for the Fellow, \$1,500 travel allowance, and a \$1,000 research fund.

**Eligibility Requirements:** Fluency in English; at least three years university level teaching experience as main instructor in the fields mentioned above; and an ongoing research commitment in Latin America.

**Applications should include:**

- (1) a cover letter briefly describing the Fellow's research and teaching experience, the reasons s/he is applying for the PLAS Fellowship, and what the Fellow hopes to accomplish while in residence at Johns Hopkins University;
- (2) A 3-5 page description of a well-defined current research project to be carried out during the Fellow's residency at Johns Hopkins University (other than manuscript revisions projects);
- (3) a 1-2 page course description;
- (4) a full updated curriculum vitae;
- (5) two letters of recommendation from individuals familiar with the applicant's research and teaching experience.

Completed applications may be sent electronically to: [PLAS@jhu.edu](mailto:PLAS@jhu.edu), or by regular mail to: John Russell-Wood, Director, Program in Latin American Studies, Johns Hopkins University, Macaulay Hall 404, 3400 N. Charles St., Baltimore, MD 21218, USA. Fellowship will be announced by May 1, 2010.

**For more information, please visit:** <http://anthropology.jhu.edu/plas/zitzmann.html>

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**Study Abroad/Research/Internship Opportunities**

**Business in Brazil 2010**

The University of Florida Center for Latin American Studies and Center for International Business Education and Research announce their summer program in Brazil. With its economy booming, Brazil ranks with China, India and Russia as one of the leading emerging markets in today's global economy. Today more than ever international companies are looking for business graduates who understand the Brazilian market and are familiar with its language and culture.

This four-week summer program (May 17-June 11) combines a course on business in Brazil with Portuguese language training. During the first three weeks in Rio de Janeiro, students take business-oriented Portuguese language instruction (at either the beginning or intermediate levels) at the Instituto Brasil-Estados Unidos (IBEU) in the mornings. The afternoon portion of the Rio program, hosted by the School of Business at the Catholic University (PUC-Rio), consists of academic lectures and discussions in English on its campus, complemented by visits to prominent local companies. For the fourth week the program moves to São Paulo for visits to local companies and financial institutions.

**For more information, please visit:** <http://www.latam.ufl.edu/Brazil/index.stm>

### **Intensive Nahuatl Language and Culture - Summer 2010**

Yale's Council on Latin American and Iberian Studies coordinates an intensive summer Nahuatl course through Yale Summer Sessions as NHTL 125. The course offers the opportunity to study at beginning, intermediate, or advanced levels of Classical and Modern Nahuatl at the Instituto de Docencia e Investigación Etnológica de Zacatecas. Six weeks of class will be held in Zacatecas from June 21 to July 30, 2010 with an optional week in the village of Tepeaxitla, Veracruz, from August 1 to August 6.

The course seeks to: 1. develop students' oral comprehension, speaking, reading, writing and knowledge of language structure, as well as their cultural wisdom and sensibility, in order to facilitate their ability to communicate effectively, correctly and creatively in everyday situations; 2. provide students with instruments and experiences that demonstrate the continuity between past and present Nahua culture, through the study of colonial and modern texts, conversation with native speakers, and an optional residency in a Nahua community; 3. penetrate into the historical, economic, political, social and cultural aspects of Nahua civilization; and 4. prepare students to take university level humanities courses taught in Nahuatl alongside native speakers.

**For more information, please visit:**

<http://www.yale.edu/macmillan/lais/summer.html#nahuatl>

### **Viva Nicaragua! Internships**

Looking for an internship? Want to gain international experience? Viva Nicaragua! offers academic internships for students in their field of study.

Viva Nicaragua! offers you:

- Internship based around your interests
- Extensive support before, during, and after your internship
- Cultural activities and events
- Lectures on history, economy, politics, and culture
- Flexible start and end dates to fit your schedule
- Bilingual staff
- Homestays
- Optional Spanish classes
- College credit available

**For more information:** [info@nicaraguainternships.org](mailto:info@nicaraguainternships.org) or visit our website

<http://www.nicaraguainternships.org/>

## **Costa Rica Study Abroad**

### **Gap Year: International Study for Students & Teachers**

Gap years, a common tradition in most parts of Europe, are becoming more and more popular in the United States and Canada. Students are feeling more comfortable taking a year off before starting or in the midst of university to get focused, and to gain some international exposure.

Strategic Decisions & Partnerships (SDPUS) offers distinctive "gap year" semester courses, all of which have been given academic credit in the United States and Canada. They are courses which couple adventure travel with basic humanity projects such as helping a disadvantaged Costa Rican school or by working with an ecological organization, such as "SAVE THE SEA TURTLES" in Las Baulas National Park.

This is a considerable advantage to your gap year or study abroad semester, because not only do you get to experience the most amazing parts of Central America, you also come out ahead scholastically and culturally.

**For more information:** contact [PFlorentino43@msn.com](mailto:PFlorentino43@msn.com), via phone at US number: (585)-295-1614, Costa Rican number: (011-506) 2653-0765, or visit [www.sdpus.com](http://www.sdpus.com)

### **Internships Available**

The Council on Hemispheric Affairs (COHA) is looking for qualified interns to join our team in Washington, D.C. for the fall term. Founded in 1975, COHA is a major tax-exempt, nonprofit and nonpartisan national research and information organization established to encourage the formulation of rational and constructive U.S. policies towards Latin America. These internships provide valuable entry level practical experience in dealing with a variety of hemispheric political, economic, diplomatic and trade issues. They also provide young scholars with an excellent opportunity to be exposed to the policymaking process. COHA is seeking highly qualified undergraduate and graduate students, and those who already have earned degrees. Intern candidates should have some knowledge and/or interest in U.S.-Latin American affairs or international relations, and should display impressive research and writing skills. Preference will be given to full-time applicants and to those skilled with computer technology and web design. The position is available immediately.

**For more information** on COHA and the application process, visit our intern page here: [www.coha.org/about-internships/](http://www.coha.org/about-internships/)

### **OSEA 2010 - Heritage Ethnography Field School**

Based in Pisté and Maya communities surrounding Chichén Itzá, One of the New Seven Wonders of the World

Students do research on an issue they select according to their interests. Possible areas of work include: Art & Intangible Cultural Heritage, Archaeological Heritage, Ethnography of Archaeology, Tourism Development & Urbanism, Community Strategies of Tourism, Social History through Life Histories, Applied and Action Research, Art Exhibitions and Ethnographic Installation, Maya Forms of Health & Healing, Environmental Heritage. Students enroll in two courses and receive 8 credits in Anthropology: "Anthropology Seminar in Heritage Issues" and "Ethnographic Research & Field Work Practicum". Program includes intensive training in spoken Yucatec Maya language for ethnographic field work.

#### **OSEA Program Fees include:**

Direct Enrollment with Accredited University Transcript, Food & Lodging, Homestays with Maya families in Pisté, Local Field Trips to Chichén Itzá, Ek Balam, Yaxuna, Cenote Dzitnup, & jungle caves, Mid-Program Break (4-night/5 day) to allow participants free-time to explore Yucatán on

their own (not included in program fees). Students can use their state and federal financial aid for OSEA Programs

**Program requirements:**

Open to Undergraduates in sophomore year and higher, with any social science & humanities major  
Open to Graduate Students in any social science and humanities fields.

~Minimum 1-year college-level Spanish

~GPA of 2.5 or higher

**Dates:** May 23 - July 10, 2010 (7 Week Program)

**Location:** Yucatán, Mexico

**For more information:** email [contact@osea-cite.org](mailto:contact@osea-cite.org) or visit [http://www.osea-cite.org/resources/re\\_materials.php](http://www.osea-cite.org/resources/re_materials.php)

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**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.

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**El Círculo Juvenil de Cultura, Hispanic Studies Outreach Program**

Spring workshop for Spanish-speaking children ages 6-12.

**Dates:** Sundays starting February 14 - April 25, 2010 (10 weeks)

**Location:** Carnegie Mellon University

**For more information:** 412-268-5149, 412-268-8052, [circulojuvenil@gmail.com](mailto:circulojuvenil@gmail.com), <http://circulocmu.blogspot.com/>

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**Salud para Niños - Birmingham Clinic**

**Free Pediatric & Flu Immunization Clinics**

Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh Care Mobile

**Date:** Saturday, February 13 & March 13, 2010

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

**Location:** Salvation Army, 54 S. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Southside

**For more information:** <http://www.chp.edu/spanishclinic>, 412-692-6000 (option 8), <http://www.chp.edu/saludparaninos>

**\*\*\*Other Services Offered\*\*\***

**Birmingham Free Clinic – New location, More Services**

The Birmingham Free Clinic now has a new location, just half of a block from the old building next to the Thrift Store of the Salvation Army.

**New Services Include:**

- Free Adult Clinics (no health insurance or appointment is needed)
  - Mondays, 5:00 p.m. (In English)
  - Wednesdays, 12:00 p.m. (In English)
  - Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. (except Saturdays of holiday weekends). (In Spanish)
- Salud Para Niños' Free Pediatric and Immunizations Clinics in Spanish

- Second Saturday of each month 10:00 a.m. (no health insurance or appointment is needed)
- Psychiatric Clinic (In English)
  - Wednesdays, 12:00 p.m. (no health insurance or appointment is needed)

**Other services include:** Free Pharmacy, Cardiology, Dermatology, Ophthalmology, ENT, and Spanish Interpreters depending on availability.

*(Please arrive half hour before the time of the clinic to be seen)*

**For more information:** Birmingham Clinic, call 412-692-4706

### **Gynecological Care at the Birmingham Clinic**

Adagio Health will offer women's gynecological care at the Birmingham clinic every Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. To make an appointment people should call 412-288-2140.

### **Hours for Bilingual-Bicultural Clinics at the Children Hospital of Pittsburgh Primary Care Center**

Bilingual-bicultural clinics at the CHP Primary Care Center are offered every Tuesday morning, every Thursday after 5:00 p.m. and every Friday morning (**appointment and health insurance are required**). 3420 Fifth Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15213

### **Walk-in Flu Immunization Clinic at the CHP Primary Care Center**

During the following weeks we will have walk-in flu immunization clinics at the CHP Primary Care Center 3420 Euler Way Pittsburgh, PA 15213. No appointment is required. ***Health Insurance is required in addition to being a patient of Salud Para Ninos and the CHP Primary Care Center.***

Monday: 9:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday 9:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday 9:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday 9:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Friday 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**For More information on these services:** contact 412-692-6000 (option 8),

<http://www.chp.edu/spanishclinic>

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## **Nego Gato Events**

### **Performance by the Nego Gato Afro Brazilian Band "From Africa to Brazil/Celebrate Carnival"**

The Nego Gato band features a mix of American jazz styles mixed with a background of traditional African Brazilian rhythms of Samba, Ijexa, Samba Reggae and Samba Afro. Join us in taking a trip and experience the authenticity of the energy, vibrancy and magic of Salvador.

**Date:** Saturday, February 20, 2010

**Time:** 8:00 p.m.

**Location:** The Union Project, 801 North Negley Avenue, Highland Park

**Cost:** \$10 children/ seniors, \$15 general admission

**For more information:** [www.negogato.org](http://www.negogato.org), 412-201-4546, [tickets@negogato.org](mailto:tickets@negogato.org)

## **Nego Gato Workshops in African Brazilian Music & Dance**

With Mestre Nego Gato & Jair Pereira

Mestre Nego Gato is a folklorist from Salvador, Bahia, Brazil and has a lifelong dedication to these arts. He will be accompanied by Jair Pereira & Gustavo Caldas. Come experience what Baianos call Axe!

### ***Children's classes:***

Friday, February 19, 2010 --- 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.  
Saturday, February 20 --- 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
Sunday, February 21, 2010 --- 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

### ***Adult classes:***

Friday, February 19, 2010 --- 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.  
Saturday, February 20, 2010 --- 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.  
Sunday, February 21, 2010 --- 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

### ***Music of Capoeira class:***

Saturday, February 20, 2010 --- 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

### ***Afro Brazilian Percussion class:***

Sunday, February 21, 2010 --- 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

### ***Afro Brazilian Dance with Gustavo Caldas:***

Sunday, February 21, 2010 --- 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

**Location:** Wilkins School Community Center, 7604 Charleston Avenue, Swissvale

**Cost:** \$10 per class, \$25 for all 3 (children), \$15 per class, \$20 for both (music & percussion), \$20 per class, \$50 for all 3 (Capoeira)

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## **Weekly Intercultural Events**

### **Brazilian Radio Hour**

The Brazilian Radio Hour brings you news, music, local events, special interviews, and chances to win tickets to special events. Internships and volunteer opportunities are also available! Help with news analysis, on-air talent, ideas, production, music, etc.

**Date:** Every Friday

**Time:** 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

**Radio Station:** 88.3 FM

**For more information:** 412-621-9728, [carlapitt@aol.com](mailto:carlapitt@aol.com)

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## **Student Club Activities**

### **Spanish Club**

#### **Conversation Tables/Mesas de Conversación**

The Spanish Club holds Conversation Tables every Monday from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. and Wednesday from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Panera Bread on Forbes Avenue. It's a great way to practice Spanish with native speakers and students alike - and you can have a coffee or tea on us!

## **Brazil Nuts Portuguese Club**

### **Bate-Papo**

Join the weekly Portuguese Conversation Tables where you can practice your language skills by meeting people with similar interests who are also learning Portuguese. Any level of Portuguese can join the fun and you do NOT have to be a member of the Brazil Nuts to participate.

**Date:** Every Wednesday

**Time:** 4:00 p.m.

**Location:** 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Lounge, William Pitt Union, University of Pittsburgh

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## **Weekly Language Classes/Practice Sessions**

### **Language Classes at Tango Café**

All classes are held at **Tango Cafe**, 5806 Forward Ave, Squirrel Hill, Pittsburgh, PA 15217

\*Minimum purchase of \$3.00 from the menu

**For more information:** call 412-421-1390, [www.TangoCafePgh.com](http://www.TangoCafePgh.com)

#### **Spanish Level I**

Spanish instruction for beginners

**Dates & Times:** Every Wednesday, 5:30 p.m., Every Thursday, 6:00 p.m.

#### **Spanish Level II**

Basic grammar, vocabulary and conversation

**Dates & Times:** Every Thursday, 1:00 p.m.

#### **Spanish Level III**

Intermediate grammar, reading and conversation

**Dates & Times:** Every Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

#### **Spanish Level IV**

Conversation, reading, writing and expressions

**Dates & Times:** Every Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.

#### **English Practice (for non-native speakers)**

Practice English with native speakers

**Dates & Times:** Every Friday, 7:00 p.m.

#### **Spanish Conversation "Tertulia"**

Open Spanish conversation group

**Dates & Times:** Every Saturday, 3:30 p.m.

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## **Employment Opportunities**

### **U.S. Census Bureau – United States Census 2010**

Now Recruiting for: Crew Leader, Assistant Crew Leader, & Enumerator

Call our Toll Free number to be scheduled for a basic skills test: 1-866-861-2010

**For more information, please visit:** [www.2010censusjobs.gov](http://www.2010censusjobs.gov)

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**\*\*\*Deadline\*\*\***

If you have an announcement related to a **Latin American/Caribbean activity** taking place during **March 2010** that you would like to share with others interested in the region, please send details by **February 22<sup>nd</sup>** 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](mailto:clas@pitt.edu)

**Sorry, information will not be accepted over the telephone**



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