

OCTOBER 2015 CALENDAR



CENTER FOR LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES (CLAS)
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CLAS/PITT EVENTS (*Lectures, conference and other important information*)

20th Latin American Social and Public Policy (LASPP) Conference

The Center for Latin American Studies (CLAS) at the University of Pittsburgh, in conjunction with Carnegie Mellon University's Latino Graduate Student Association, welcomes everyone in the community to the 20th Latin American Social and Public Policy (LASPP) Conference. The conference will be held on **Friday, November 13 and Saturday, November 14, 2015**.

The LASPP conference is a student-organized event where undergraduate, graduate students, and faculty members can present their scholarly work involving social and public policy in Latin America. This year's presentations will be organized around the following four topics: a) Public Policy and Development; b) Democratic Stability and Governance; c) IT and Public Policy, Open Government and Transparency; and d) Humanities. In addition to the panels, we will have several guest speakers to make opening and closing remarks. Please **RSVP** at: <http://lasppconference.com/?q=node%2F6>

Website: <http://lasppconference.com/>

Panoramas Newsletter—Center for Latin American Studies at Pitt

Panoramas is a forum dedicated to spreading innovative research and ideas about Latin America to an academically oriented audience. Our website (<http://www.panoramas.pitt.edu>) receives more than 5,000 unique visits from Latin Americanists worldwide. Hosted by the Center for Latin American Studies (CLAS) at the University of Pittsburgh, Panoramas offers a unique opportunity to Latin Americanists from any discipline to briefly present their research to a cross-disciplinary audience. We accept summaries of books and papers recently published in academic journals and columns of opinions in English, Spanish, and Portuguese. If you are interested in contributing to Panoramas, please contact Coordinating Editor Ignacio Arana Araya at submissions.panoramas@gmail.com, or simply follow the submissions tab on our homepage to create an account.

"The Fires of Rome": Political Organization in Las Yaguas and Atarés, 1931-1950

by

Jesse Horst (*PhD candidate*)

Date: Wednesday, October 21, 2015

Time: 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Location: History Department Lounge

This draft chapter of Jesse Horst's dissertation traces the origins and histories of Havana's most well known shantytowns, reconstructing local networks in their partially successful efforts to leverage resources from public officials and political organizations amidst repeated eviction efforts. It argues that defensive mobilization against eviction was a key organizing feature of the neighborhoods even while there was no stable channel for dialogue between residents and the state. Instead, communication between officials and residents often produced conflict and confusion, while demands for occupancy rights were not clearly articulated. Even so, measured by achievements and not stated goals, protests from Havana shantytowns formed one of the most tenacious and sustained social movements of the Second Republic.

Jesse Horst is a Ph.D. candidate in Latin American History at the University of Pittsburgh, in the final stages of a dissertation project entitled "Sleeping on Ashes, Havana Slums in an Age of Revolution, 1930-1970." The thesis focuses on urban poverty and informal housing in Cuba, tracing social, political, and legal dynamics of tenements and shantytown neighborhoods, with attention to broader histories of state formation, citizenship, and international technocratic trends. He has recently published an article in the *Journal of Urban History*, entitled "Shantytown Revolution: Slum Clearance, Rent Control, and the Cuban State, 1937-55."

After Jesse talks briefly about his project, John Soluri, a Professor of History at Carnegie Mellon who specializes in Latin American history (particularly the relationship between social and environmental change), will offer commentary. The floor will then be open to discussion.

Please read Jesse's paper in advance. It will be available via: the History Department Box on October 5^h. If you do not have access to the department's box account, please email Rob Ruck at rucco@pitt.edu and he will send you a copy.

The Gulf Cartel and the Price of America's Drug War in Mexico

by

Michael Deibert

Date: Thursday, October 22, 2015

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Location: 4130 Posvar Hall

For more information: Luz Amanda Hank at lavst12@pitt.edu

Michael Deibert's *In the Shadow of Saint Death: The Gulf Cartel, and the Price of America's Drug War in Mexico* has been described by National Book Award finalist Ben Fountain as "an extraordinary book cuts through the politics and propaganda, straight to the heart of the matter - the lives lost, the profits reaped, and the vast systems on both sides of the border that keep the whole bloody business going," and by Alfredo Corchado, author of *Midnight in Mexico: A Reporter's Journey Through a Country's Descent into Darkness*, as "a remarkable chronicle of a cartel's rise and a country's fall."

His previous book, *The Democratic Republic of Congo: Between Hope and Despair*, published in 2013 by Zed Books in cooperation with the Royal African Society, the International African Institute and the World Peace Foundation, was praised by the Guardian as "a scrupulously researched reminder of how this corner of the world became so wretched, and of the multiple actors responsible," and by the London School of Economics as "an essential read for those of us interested in wider postcolonial worlds and the historical fragments of local, regional and global contexts that intersect and link huge parts of the planet together." His first book, *Notes from the Last Testament: The Struggle for Haiti* (Seven Stories Press, 2005), was praised by the Miami Herald as "a powerfully documented exposé" and by the San Antonio Express-News as "a compelling mix of reportage, memoir and social criticism." His forthcoming book, *Haiti Will Not Perish: 2004-2015*, will be published by Zed Books next year.

Michael's writing has appeared in *The Guardian*, *The Washington Post*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Miami Herald*, *Le Monde diplomatique*, *Folha de São Paulo* and *The World Policy Journal*, among other venues. He has been a featured commentator on international affairs on the BBC, Al Jazeera, Channel 4, National Public Radio, WNYC New York Public Radio and KPFK Pacifica Radio. In 2012, he was awarded a grant from the International Peace Research Association and, in 2008, he was selected as a finalist for the Kurt Schork Award in International Journalism, sponsored by the Institute for War and Peace Reporting, both in recognition of his work in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Sponsored by the Center for Latin American Studies (CLAS) and the Matthew B. Ridgway Center for International Security Studies at the University of Pittsburgh.

Gangs & Drug Trafficking in Central America

Date: Friday, October 23, 2015

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Assembly Room, William Pitt Union—University of Pittsburgh
3959 Fifth Avenue—Pittsburgh, PA 15260

For more information contact: sjp89@pitt.edu

For program and speaker information: http://www.clasconference.org/gangs_drug_trafficking/

In the summer 2014, the flow of undocumented migrants from Central America to the United States turned into a torrent, with unaccompanied minors making up a particularly significant percentage of the persons seeking entry. As well as the traditional pull factor of economic opportunity, the unaccompanied minors were also responding to a powerful push factor – the widespread violence in Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras. Large gangs known as Maras, especially MS-13 and Barrio 18, were the main source of the violence. Indeed, there were at least three different components of violence: open warfare between the two major gangs, a recruitment process that involved high levels of coercion and violence, and a resource generation strategy centered on extortion and intimidation. Ironically, incarcerated gang members used cell phones to extort businesses, especially those in the transportation sector.

Other violence stemmed from the competition for control of cocaine trafficking routes through the northern triangle and into Mexico. As a result, the countries in the Northern Triangle of Central America have some of the highest homicide rates in the world.

Against this background, this Conference co-sponsored by the Ridgway Center for International Security Studies and the Center for Latin American Studies brings together specialists from the United States and Central America itself to examine the gang phenomenon, the nature of drug trafficking through the region, and the nature of governance.

Sponsored by: The Matthew B. Ridgway Center for International Security Studies, the Center for Latin American Studies, the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, the University Center for International Studies, the Office of the Dean of Arts & Sciences, the Office of the Provost, at the University of Pittsburgh and the U.S. Department of Education.

Cuba: Los que no se quedaron pero tampoco se fueron

Cuba: Those that Neither Left nor Stayed Behind

Read by

Translator **Barbara Reiss**

Date: Friday, October 30, 2015

Time: 12pm – 2:00 p.m.

Location: 4217 Posvar Hall

For more information: kgoldman@pitt.edu

Translator and scholar Barbara Reiss will read from the book *An Address in Havana* by Cuban author María Elena Llana (1936). This collection of short stories features Havana homes over the past 50 years, caught between revolution and conservation, radical change and recalcitrance, socialist progress and limitations. As a journalist and foreign correspondent Llana found herself covering the big stories in revolutionary geopolitics. As a fiction writer, she remained on the fringes of the establishment until recently. Llana speaks about this liminal position and answers questions regarding the current transition in Cuba, a view from her own home brought to Pittsburgh.

Sponsored by the Center for Latin American Studies at the University of Pittsburgh.

Nancy Florez-Estrada Scholarship

The 32-year career of Nancy B. Florez-Estrada, Ph.D., CLAS faculty member and associate professor of Spanish, was highlighted by a dedication to students and the broadening of their horizons through international study and travel. Dr. Florez-Estrada started teaching at Pitt-Greensburg in 1982 as an instructor of Spanish and advanced to associate professor.

In 2010, she was a key member of the team that developed Pitt-Greensburg's then new Spanish major and contributed in the early planning stages of the Spanish curriculum for the Spanish education major. She also had a key role in the establishment of Pitt-Greensburg's Latin American Studies Certificate (LAS) program in conjunction with the University of Pittsburgh Center for Latin American Studies and served as the Pitt-Greensburg faculty advisor since its inception in 2001. Nancy passed away in January of 2015 but her legacy continues.

You are invited to contribute to a memorial fund in her honor that is being created through the University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg. If you would like to support this endeavor, please send your donation to:

The University of Pittsburgh Greensburg, for the **Nancy Florez-Estrada Award** for students.

Attn: Jodi Kraisinger, Lynch Hall,

U of Pitt Greensburg, 150 Finoli Drive

Greensburg, PA 15601.

Any questions can be directed to: 724-836-9942 or kraising@pitt.edu.

8th International Cultural Studies Conference of the Department of Hispanic Languages and Literatures

Post/Colonialism and the Pursuit of Freedom in the Black Atlantic

Date: November 6-7, 2015

Location: University of Pittsburgh

For more information: <http://www.pitt.edu/~dmundie/Postcolonial/>

PANORAMAS LATIN AMERICAN ROUNDTABLE

A Discussion of Current Latino Issues in Pennsylvania with Representative Leslie Acosta

Date: Friday, November 20, 2015

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Location: Teplitz Memorial Moot Courtroom—Law School Building

University of Pittsburgh Campus

Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15260

Representative Acosta will talk about the current state of Latino issues and organizations in Pennsylvania. She will also address the state's currently much debated English-only bill.

Biography:

Raised in North Philadelphia, State Representative Leslie Acosta graduated from Mastbaum High School and from Cairn University in 1996 with bachelor degrees in social work and theology, and earned an M.B.A. from Phoenix University. Rep. Acosta is a former social worker who previously served as child advocate with the Philadelphia Public Defender's Office, and a former vice president of the board of directors of the Bucks County Mental Health Clinic.

Elected to the House in 2014, Rep. Acosta has a wide range of work experience in various sectors, including nonprofit and federal government agencies, and in academia as an adjunct professor at Esperanza College of Eastern University, serving the Hispanic and local communities.

RSVP event: http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/acosta_RSVP

Read the exclusive **interview with Representative Acosta** by **Ignacio Arana**:

<http://www.panoramas.pitt.edu/content/exclusive-interview-representative-leslie-acosta-english-only->

[bills-are-%E2%80%9Cxenophobic%E2%80%9D](#)

For more information about the event email: bravo@pitt.edu

Visit Panoramas at: <http://www.panoramas.pitt.edu/>

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**2016 SNX: The South-North Exchange on Theory, Culture and Law
Latino and Latina Critical Legal Theory (LatCrit)**

Leading from the South: Politics of Gender, Sex and Sexualities

Date: May 19-21, 2016

Location: Santo Domingo, República Dominicana-Universidad Iberoamericana

For more information: Sheila I. Vélez Martínez at siv7@pitt.edu

Join us to discuss how the global South has been leading current shifts in the politics of gender, sex and sexualities. We seek to engage participants in conversations on South-North relations or North-South polarities regarding: marriage, families, adoption, labor, child rearing, children's rights, reproductive rights, poverty, migration, sex and gender discrimination, transsexual communities and sexual identities as well as other related themes.

Sponsored by: Latina & Latino Critical Theory (LatCrit), University of Pittsburgh School of Law, University of Pittsburgh Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh Center for International Studies, Office of the Provost of the University of Pittsburgh, Office of the Dean of Arts & Sciences of the University of Pittsburgh, U.S. Department of Education, University of Miami School of Law, Facultad de Derecho Universidad Iberoamericana (UNIBE).

STUDENT CLUB ACTIVITIES & STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

Student opportunity!!

Study Abroad in Cuba during Spring Break

Afro-Cuban History and Culture Study Abroad Program

<http://www.abroad.pitt.edu/afrocuban>

Intern with Cafe Con Leche!

Do you have a passion for Latin culture? Are you interested in having fun, learning about social media, marketing, event planning and be a part of one of Pittsburgh's most dynamic small business? Than an internship with Cafe Con Leche may be the place for you!

Café Con Leche connects Latinos and builds community. We are a value based business whose mission is to attract and maintain Latinos to the Pittsburgh region. Cafe Con Leche provides consulting services, hosts events and produce Pittsburgh based Latino digital media. Since its founding in January 2014, Café Con Leche has hosted nearly 20 pop-up events. You can see our work by visiting our website, www.CafeConLechePGH.com.

For internship description visit: <http://www.cafeconlechepeggh.com/azucar/2015/10/2/cafe-con-leche-is-looking-for-interns>

To apply for this position please send a cover letter and resume to Tara Sherry-Torres, CafeConLechePGH@gmail.com. Positions opened until filled.

Bi- or multi-lingual student workers/volunteers--needed

Dear foreign language faculty, administrators, and associations,
I am supporting an effort to develop an International Society of Wheelchair Professionals (ISWP), targeted at developing countries, and supported by US Agency for International Development (USAID). We are looking for bi- or multi-lingual student workers/volunteers to assist in translation of our materials (compensation may be available). Interested parties should forward a resume and hourly availability to the email address below.

More info on our society can be found at wheelchairnet.org

For more information: Mary R. Goldberg, PhD, Assistant Professor at mgoldberg@pitt.edu

Student opportunity!!

G. Alec Stewart Student Achievement Award

As the University Honors College marked its 25th anniversary in 2012, it inaugurated the G. Alec Stewart Student Achievement Award to honor its founding Dean who provided the vision for the College and guided its influence at the University during its first 23 years. This Award recognizes students in their junior year who are judged to best symbolize the values of the UHC and of the University generally. Four students will be selected annually for this Award, each to receive a prize of \$1,000.

Candidates for this Award are expected to have benefitted in some direct way by their participation in one or more of the great variety of UHC activities, such as taking honors courses, living in an honors residence hall or otherwise contributing to the honors community, receiving honors advising, participating in the Brackenridge Research Program or in one of the UHC reading groups, or pursuing the Bachelor of Philosophy (BPhil) degree. Since the UHC is not a membership organization (that is, no student is a member of the UHC), the competition for this award is open to students enrolled in any of the eleven schools of the University of Pittsburgh in Oakland that offer undergraduate degree programs.

Two aspects of each applicant's credentials will be given primary consideration in the selection of the awardees because they were especially valued by Dean Stewart and have been promoted by the UHC since its founding. One is high academic attainment, which implies more than a high grade point average; this award intends to recognize students whose academic pursuits also reflect unusual depth and breadth. Depth might be demonstrated not only by the completion of advanced courses in the student's major subject area but also by participation in research that further advances knowledge in the field. Breadth might be reflected in the pursuit of multiple majors or a major plus one or more minors and/or certificates, indicating a broad scope of academic interests. The second aspect this Award intends to recognize is intellectual curiosity, as shown by students whose quest for education is characterized by an impassioned inquisitiveness and a determination to learn, leading to deep understanding.

But high academic attainment and intellectual curiosity, however central, are not the only values that the UHC promotes among the undergraduate students at the University of Pittsburgh. Their own achievements and scholarship should be accompanied by an awareness of and concern for those around them. In a narrow sense this could mean interacting with a group of other students interested in the same subject matter, or it might be described more broadly as a willingness to help others succeed, on campus, in the city, or elsewhere. The Stewart Award encourages that sense of citizenship as one of the goals of the education provided by this university.

Students who want to be considered for this award should complete the application form (PDF), print it out, and submit it along with an up-to-date resume and official transcript to:

G. Alec Stewart Award
University Honors College
3600 Cathedral of Learning
Pittsburgh, PA 15260

They should also request letters of recommendation from two faculty members, providing them with the Faculty Letter Submission Sheets that are printed out with the completed application form. At least one of these letters should be written by a faculty member in an area closely related to the applicant's major area of study in college. The faculty recommenders should send their letters directly to the address given above.

All application materials must be received by 5:00 pm on **Monday, November 16, 2015**.

For any questions, please contact Karen Billingsley at (412) 624-6880 or ksb@pitt.edu.

All complete applications received by the deadline will be evaluated by a selection committee composed of four faculty members, two UHC alumni, and one UHC staff member. We anticipate that by mid-January 2016 the selection committee will have identified a total of 10-12 finalists among the applicants; these students will be invited for individual interviews with the selection committee. Following the conclusion of all interviews the four G. Alec Stewart Student Achievement Award winners for 2016 will be selected and announced at the time of the University's Honors Convocation in late February 2016.

<http://www.honorscollege.pitt.edu/stewartaward>

Student opportunity!!

The Nationality Rooms and Intercultural Exchange Programs--2016 Summer Study Abroad Scholarships

The Nationality Rooms and Intercultural Exchange Programs began in 1926. As committees completed their rooms, they turned their attention to creating study abroad scholarships. The Nationality Rooms have awarded scholarships for summer study abroad annually since 1948. The purpose of the awards is to enable University of Pittsburgh students to have an in-depth immersion in another culture for at least five weeks. It is important that applicants choose a program that will maximize their contact with the populace abroad and be accepted by the University for credit.

It is the farsightedness and generosity of the Nationality Rooms committees and their friends which have raised more than \$2.5 million to provide these important intercultural exchange opportunities.

For more information visit: <http://www.nationalityrooms.pitt.edu/scholarshipsgrants>

Student opportunity!!

Boren Scholarships

Boren Scholarships, an initiative of the National Security Education Program, provide unique funding opportunities for U.S. undergraduate students to study less commonly taught languages in world regions critical to U.S. interests, and underrepresented in study abroad, including Africa, Asia, Central and Eastern Europe, Eurasia, Latin America, and the Middle East. The countries of Western Europe, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand are excluded.

Boren Scholars represent a vital pool of highly motivated individuals who wish to work in the federal national security arena. In exchange for funding, Boren Scholars commit to working in the federal government for at least one year after graduation.

For more information contact: http://www.borenawards.org/boren_scholarship/basics.html

From the Career Consultant for Arts & Sciences, Pre-Business, and Careers Abroad at the University of Pittsburgh.

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For club activities and events schedule, please contact each group.

### **Club de Español**

For more information (or to subscribe to announcements): [pittspanishclub@gmail.com](mailto:pittspanishclub@gmail.com)

### **Brazil Nuts**

For more information about Brazil Nuts events: [brazil@pitt.edu](mailto:brazil@pitt.edu) or <http://www.pitt.edu/~brazil>

### **Caribbean and Latin American Student Association (CLASA)**

For more information about CLASA events: [pittclasa@gmail.com](mailto:pittclasa@gmail.com), <http://pittclasa.wix.com/clasa> or <https://www.facebook.com/pittclasa>

## **STUDY ABROAD OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Chile Open Doors Program**

Chile is currently undergoing a large-scale reform to its public education system, which is meant to strengthen and improve the quality of education for public schools in Chile. These reforms are targeting municipal schools in particular, with the aim of providing more specific resources and support according to schools' greatest needs. With that in mind, it is with great pleasure that we announce that the English Opens Doors Program has been granted the tremendous responsibility of carrying out the English language education component of Chile's educational reform! In other words, the English Opens Doors Program will be the entity in charge of improving and strengthening English Language Education in approximately 1,000 schools over the next three years through diverse initiatives like our Teacher Development Programs, Students Development Programs, On-line English and Methodology courses for teachers and students and, of course, the National Volunteer Center Initiative!

We are officially starting to make strides in this mission to improve public education in Chile, and increase the level of opportunities available to students who can't afford to pay for a privately funded education. Due to the fact that this new challenge requires a considerable amount of restructuring and reworking of our pre-existing protocols and procedures, the Program has made changes to our volunteer services from what we had originally published. Fortunately, for the students and alumni of your university, this means that our application deadlines for our 2015 volunteer services have also been pushed back! Please refer to our website for more information: [www.centrodevoluntarios.cl](http://www.centrodevoluntarios.cl).

If you have any questions, or would like to further discuss our volunteer opportunities (via e-mail, skype, or even scheduling a video conference with interested persons), please do not hesitate to contact [Stephanie.hairgrove@mineduc.cl](mailto:Stephanie.hairgrove@mineduc.cl).

### **Field School Program in Peru**

Visit the website for specific program information: <http://fieldschool.pucp.edu.pe/>

### **Huaylas Quechua 2015**

The *Center for Social Well Being* offers a 6-week Intensive Quechua Language course in the north-central Peruvian Andes. The program is designed for students who require class instruction and Quechua immersion contexts to develop language proficiency. FLASF Foreign Language and Area Studies grantees are eligible to apply. For an application, contact: [phammer@wayna.rcp.net.pe](mailto:phammer@wayna.rcp.net.pe); [www.socialwellbeing.org](http://www.socialwellbeing.org)



## LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES OPPORTUNITIES

### The Kings International Development Institute at King's College London—MSc Latin American Development

This programme integrates a thorough grounding in development theory with the in-depth study of Latin America. This region, known for its historically high levels of inequality and its recurrent political and economic crises, has been enjoying a period of democratic consolidation, economic growth, and falling inequality. Through exploring the contemporary and historical experiences of this region, students will develop an understanding of the deep roots of social change and the background to current development challenges and policy debates.

The **MSc Latin American Development** highlights the importance of Latin America's position in the global order, as well as the relationships between countries of the region, in shaping countries' policy options and development outcomes. Drawing on the broader expertise within the King's Global Institutes, the MSc will also interrogate how experiences of emerging economies around the world illuminate the issues facing Latin America. The emphasis is on understanding the ways Latin America is trying to overcome long-standing barriers to stability and prosperity.

The focus on integrating theory, data, and history will foster students' critical and analytical skills as they examine how Latin American countries are promoting growth and economic, social and political development in new and often innovative ways.

#### For more information:

<http://www.kcl.ac.uk/aboutkings/worldwide/initiatives/global/intdev/study/MSc-Latin-American-Development.aspx>

## CONFERENCES/CALL FOR PAPERS/LECTURES

*(Other institutions)*

### CALL FOR PAPERS

#### Race in the Americas

Graduate student conference at Penn State University (University Park campus)

**Date:** April 25-26, 2016

**Deadline** for abstract submissions is **November 30, 2015**. Submissions can be in English or Spanish and are asked to be mailed to: [raceamericasconference@gmail.com](mailto:raceamericasconference@gmail.com).

### CALL FOR PAPERS

#### WSSA's 58th Annual Conference-SECCIÓN DE ESTUDIOS LATINO-AMERICANOS

**Date:** April 13 to April 16, 2016

**Location:** Reno, Nevada-Grand Sierra Resort and Casino

**Information and contact:** <http://www.wssaweb.com> or [mgems.ruiz@gmail.com](mailto:mgems.ruiz@gmail.com) [medina48@yahoo.com](mailto:medina48@yahoo.com)

**Deadline: December 1, 2015**

You are cordially invited to submit proposals for papers and panels for the Latin American Studies Section (Jesús Ruiz and Ignacio Medina, Section Coordinators). All disciplines are welcome; comparative studies including other nations are encouraged.

Please include the following information:

- Title of presentation
- Abstract, not to exceed 300 words
- For author and all co-authors as appropriate:
  - Name
  - Institutional or organizational affiliation
  - Mailing address
  - Telephone number

Those willing to serve as moderators or discussants, indicate your interest.

## CALL FOR PAPERS

### **Tropical Exposures: Photography, Film and Visual Culture in a Caribbean Frame**

**Date:** March 10 to March 12, 2016

**Location:** Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana

We offer our conference as a forum in which to peruse and absorb the visual turn in con-temporary inquiry from the unique vantage points of the Caribbean, circum-Caribbean and Caribbean diasporas. We conceive the tropical exposure as a frame for representing the region's strengths and vulnerabilities and for questioning the interaction of Antillean sensibilities with a plethora of images and mediascapes. Our invited keynote speakers include photographer Virginia Beahan and artist Francisco Crespo.

**Tropical Exposures** welcomes proposals for papers that address any facet of Caribbean visual representation in photography, film, art, popular culture, and other media, as well as the interaction of word and image more generally. Scholars are also encouraged to present proposals that consider social and cultural shifts toward the increasing intermediality of representation in the Caribbean frame. Papers may focus on one terrain, image-maker, or form of media, or employ comparative strategies. Papers may be in English, Spanish, French or Portuguese, though English is preferred. We anticipate creating an edited volume of expanded essays around the notion of Tropical Exposures, co-edited by Ana López and Marilyn Miller. We encourage participants to prepare abstracts and presentations with an eye to inclusion in a print publication.

Papers might address some of the following t(r)opics or questions in their myriad Caribbean contexts--visit: <http://cuba.tulane.edu/articles/detail/1885/Call-for-Papers-Tropical-Exposures-Conference>

Please send a proposal and 250-word abstract by **SEPTEMBER 15, 2015** to <[ccsi@tulane.edu](mailto:ccsi@tulane.edu)>, including the abstract as an attachment to the email. Please include the title of your paper, your name (and the names of any co-presenters), institutional affiliation, mailing address, phone number, and email address. We welcome pre-constituted panels. If submitting a panel for consideration, please include a top sheet with panel title, participant names and a brief abstract of the panel topic in addition to the individual paper proposals. Notification of acceptance to the conference will be made by **OCTOBER 1, 2015**.

For more information about the conference, location and arrangements, visit the Cuban and Caribbean Studies Institute website at <<http://cuba.tulane.edu/>>.

### **VII Conferencia Latinoamericana y Caribeña de Ciencias Sociales**

**Date:** November 9 to November 13, 2015

**Location:** Medellín, Colombia

**For more information:** [www.clacso.org.ar/conferencia2015](http://www.clacso.org.ar/conferencia2015)

Les anunciamos el lanzamiento de la VII Conferencia Latinoamericana y Caribeña de Ciencias Sociales "Transformaciones democráticas, justicia social y procesos de paz", que se llevará a cabo en la ciudad de Medellín, Colombia, del 9 al 13 de noviembre de 2015. El evento está promovido por CLACSO, la UNESCO, la Organización de Estados Iberoamericanos, la Alcaldía de Medellín, el Gobierno de Antioquia y todas las instituciones colombianas asociadas al Consejo.

Será, sin lugar a dudas, uno de los grandes eventos académicos del próximo año, con numerosas conferencias magistrales, coloquios especiales, paneles, reuniones de grupos de trabajo, talleres, un ciclo de cine documental latinoamericano y diversas actividades culturales. Contará con más de 600 panelistas y 40 invitados/as especiales de América Latina, Estados Unidos, Canadá, Europa, África y Asia.

La VII Conferencia será el marco de la XXV Asamblea General de CLACSO, que contará con representantes de las casi 400 instituciones que constituyen nuestra red académica.

Diversas Pre-Conferencias se llevarán a cabo a lo largo del presente y del próximo año, preparando las actividades de Medellín, en noviembre del 2015.

Los/as invitamos a conocer la página web del evento [www.clacso.org.ar/conferencia2015](http://www.clacso.org.ar/conferencia2015).

## JOURNALS/CALL FOR PAPERS

### Colombia International

*Colombia Internacional*-Revista del Departamento de Ciencia Política Facultad de Ciencias Sociales, Universidad de los Andes. *Colombia Internacional* is an open access, peer-reviewed and refereed journal published by the Department of Political Science of Universidad de los Andes (Colombia). *Colombia Internacional* is inviting papers for its future numbers. Please find attached more information about this <http://colombiainternacional.uniandes.edu.co/>

### Revista Apuntes—40 Años—Universidad del Pacifico—Perú

Convocatorias—Call for papers

[http://www.up.edu.pe/revista\\_apuntes/SitePages/ver\\_contenidos.aspx?idsec=9&sec=Sobre%20Apuntes](http://www.up.edu.pe/revista_apuntes/SitePages/ver_contenidos.aspx?idsec=9&sec=Sobre%20Apuntes)

## ORGANIZATIONS (check websites for updates)

### WQED—WORLD Channel

As of January 1st, WQED began offering the WORLD Channel. It is filled with multicultural and global content. *Purgatorio* (a fresh perspective of the U.S./Mexico border experience) is part of the series America Reframed and you can find repeat airings of it this week. At the end of January, another documentary, this one set in South America will air on the WORLD Channel. It's called *Gaucha Del Norte* and tells the story of a Patagonian rancher.

WQED is proud to offer this service with so many programs we believe reflect the richness of our entire population. I hope you enjoy watching WORLD on WQED's sub-channel 201 (on Comcast).

### The World History Center, Department of History, University of Pittsburgh

The World History Center at the University of Pittsburgh emphasizes research, teaching, and international collaboration on the global past, with attention to policies for the global future. The Center, directed by Patrick Manning, is located in the Department of History and is affiliated with the Global Studies Center and the University Center for International Studies.

<http://www.worldhistory.pitt.edu/index.php>

### Department of Music at the University of Pittsburgh

For more information about tickets and events visit: <http://www.music.pitt.edu/> or <http://www.music.pitt.edu/events>

### Global Links

Global Links is a medical relief and development organization dedicated to **promoting environmental stewardship** and **improving health** in resource-poor communities, primarily in Latin America and the Caribbean. Our two-fold mission provides hospitals with a socially and environmentally beneficial alternative to sending hundreds of tons of still-useful surplus materials to landfills.

Hospitals and clinics in under-served communities often lack the supplies and equipment necessary to provide even basic care to their patients, resulting in needless suffering and deaths. At the same time, the US healthcare industry generates a staggering amount of medical surplus which, without intervention, is destined to pile up in our landfills.

Global Links' innovative model of recovery and reuse connects these two social problems in a way that helps to solve both, creating a "**virtuous circle**" that converts an environmental burden to a life-saving purpose. For information about events and programs visit: <http://www.globallinks.org/>

### OLA (Observatory in Latin American—Observatorio Latino Americano)

The broad objectives of OLA are to:

- Improve academic and public understanding by observing and studying the processes of political and economic change underway in Latin America.

- Foster a public dialogue between and within the United States and Latin America about the challenges of building social democracy in a globalized world, including creating opportunities for Latin American leaders to directly express their views to audiences in the United States.
- Collaborate with Latin American institutions to further these objectives within countries across the Hemisphere by linking and mobilizing ideas and institutions.

**For events visit:** <http://observatorylatinamerica.org/>

### **Carnegie Endowment for International Peace**

The Carnegie Endowment for International Peace is the oldest international affairs think tank in the United States and the first global think tank. For updates and information about events and topics visit: <http://carnegieendowment.org/programs/>

### **Council Hemispheric Affairs**

Founded in 1975, the Council on Hemispheric Affairs (COHA), a nonprofit, tax-exempt independent research and information organization, was established to promote the common interests of the hemisphere, raise the visibility of regional affairs and increase the importance of the inter-American relationship, as well as encourage the formulation of rational and constructive U.S. policies towards Latin America. In 1982, COHA's board of trustees voted to expand its mandate to include monitoring Canadian/Latin American relations. Since its inception, COHA has been one of the most active and broadest-based U.S. private bodies dealing with the entire spectrum of political, economic and diplomatic issues, as well as responding to the economic and political challenges confronting the nations of this hemisphere. From its beginnings, COHA's board consisted of the leadership of some of this country's most important trade unions, professional organizations and religious groups, as well as distinguished civic and academic figures, who joined together to advance their common belief in support of representative government and pluralistic institutions throughout the hemisphere.

For more information contact: <http://www.coha.org/>

### **Latinamerican Press**

Mission: To produce independent and reliable information and analysis about Latin America and the Caribbean with an emphasis on the problems and situations that affect the human rights of vulnerable and marginalized sectors of the population, and distribute it among individuals—and strengthen the communications skills of social leaders and leaders of opinion—groups and forums whose work has the power to contribute to the construction of more inclusive and just societies.

<http://www.lapress.org/contents.asp?niv=1&item=1>

### **The Chronicle of Higher Education**

The Chronicle of Higher Education is the No. 1 source of news, information, and jobs for college and university faculty members and administrators. Based in Washington, D.C., The Chronicle has more than 70 writers, editors, and international correspondents. <http://chronicle.com/section/Home/5>

### **World Affairs Council of Pittsburgh**

The World Affairs Council of Pittsburgh is an independent, non-partisan, non-profit organization dedicated to promoting a deeper understanding of key contemporary international issues throughout Western Pennsylvania. Established in 1931, the Council is committed to informing opinion leaders and decision-makers about developments around the world as they unfold – and to educating them about the relevance of such developments to the region. The Council also has a special focus on secondary schools throughout the region, and works to give students and teachers a more nuanced understanding of the global issues of our time. <http://www.worldaffairspittsburgh.memberlodge.org/>

## EMPLOYMENT/INTERNSHIPS/FELLOWSHIPS

### GRE • SAT

#### Test Preparation Instructor Positions

We are seeking test preparation instructors for our GRE and SAT classes. These are part-time positions with classes once per week on Sundays. We seek intelligent, charismatic instructors who have both top test scores and excellent teaching skills. Our company has a social mission to provide top caliber test preparation courses at a value price. Team Sherwood is committed to the social responsibility of accessible test preparation courses: Everyone deserves to put their best score out there.

Salary: \$30/hour for GRE and/or SAT classroom instruction.

#### Qualifications:

- Education: Current graduate or professional student (Ph.D. (or equivalent), Master's, J.D.); or Completed Ph.D. (or equivalent), J.D., or Master's degree.
- Test Scores: Top-tier test scores on one of the following: GRE, GMAT, LSAT, or SAT.
- Teaching Experience: Have taught at least one semester/quarter lecture, lab, discussion, etc. class. Prior university teaching experience is required.
- Quantitative and Verbal Skills: Must have BOTH excellent math and verbal/writing skills. Sherwood Test Prep Instructors teach the entire course.
- Consistent Sunday Commitment: We seek team players who are flexible and can teach on consecutive Sundays throughout the entire year. We only take off four weekends per year (those corresponding to): Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's. Instructors can teach from 3 to 6 hours per weekend.

#### Summary:

If interested, please send your (1) Cover Letter, (2) Resume/Vita, and (3) Test Scores to: [employment@sherwoodtest.com](mailto:employment@sherwoodtest.com) Interviews and hiring are to commence immediately.

#### Richard E. Greenleaf Visiting Library Scholar—University of New Mexico

The Richard E. Greenleaf Visiting Library Scholar award provides individuals the opportunity to work as visiting researchers with the University of New Mexico's Latin American library collections, one of the largest and most complete Latin or Spanish American collections in the country. Invited to apply are scholars (U.S. and international), junior faculty (U.S.) and graduate students (U.S.) who specialize in Latin America and Iberia. The award honors Dr. Richard E. Greenleaf, distinguished scholar of colonial Latin American history, and his extensive career in teaching, research, and service.

Recipients of the Richard E. Greenleaf Visiting Library Scholar award will work to promote scholarly use of the Latin American and Iberian collections, focusing on objectives with specific relevance to the UNM Library collections. Scholars will have the opportunity to present their research to faculty and students during their visit to UNM and to submit a brief report. LAII will assist awardees in identifying and networking with UNM scholars in relevant fields.

For application information, please visit: <http://lail.unm.edu/funding/visitor.php>

#### CEU/HESP Visiting Research Fellowship

Central European University (CEU) announces a call for its Visiting Research Fellowships program for the academic year 2015-16. The fellowship program is supported by the Higher Education Support Program of the Open Society Foundations. Fellowships will be offered to academics employed in higher education institutions who wish to spend one or two terms at CEU conducting original research that will lead to a groundbreaking publication in an international peer-reviewed journal. The fellowship program is administered from the Office of the Provost/Pro-Rector, and the fellows can be hosted by any CEU department, school or research center. Fellows are supported for a period of three to six months (one or two consecutive terms at CEU). Fellowship covers travel costs to/from Budapest, accommodation and a monthly stipend of 1,800 USD per month. For eligibility and more information visit:

<http://www.ceu.hu/academics/research/support/vrf>

## Mexico Solidarity Network

Jobs and internships

<http://mexicosolidarity.org/about/jobsandinternships>

# COMMUNITY EVENTS AND CULTURAL EVENTS

## 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.

### COLOMBIA en PITTSBURGH

#### Día de los Niños!

Fiesta de Disfraces para todas las edades! Sorpresas, regalos y mucho más!!!

**Date:** Noviembre 1, 2015

**Time:** 3:30 —7:00 PM

**Location:** 250 SOUTH PACIFIC AVENUE Pittsburgh, PA, 15224

(Barrio -Friendship)

Perros Calientes Colombianos y mucho más!!!

**Rsvp:** Confirma tu asistencia...incluye tu edad! [www.colombiaenpittsburgh.org](http://www.colombiaenpittsburgh.org)

*Sponsored by Colombia en Pittsburgh.*

### CORITO CHILDREN'S CHOIR IS RECRUITING!!!

Learn songs in Spanish, English & other languages from Latin America, the Caribbean, the U.S. & elsewhere

- Children, pre-teens and teens • k - 12 grade
- No knowledge of spanish or music required
- Rehearsals: Sundays 3:30-4:45pm
- Allegheny Unitarian Universalist church  
416 w. North Ave. PGH, PA 15212 (Northside)
- Questions: [corolapghdirect@gmail.com](mailto:corolapghdirect@gmail.com); 412-345-1047

### Pittsburgh Metropolitan Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (PMAHCC)

#### Day of the Dead/Día de los Muertos—Networking Event

Is hosting a business after hours designed for member to meet and build relationships with business people from both companies and organizations representing a variety of industries. Come meet other business professionals, while enjoying drinks and delicious Mexican appetizers.

**Date:** Monday, November 2, 2015

**Time:** 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**Location:** Emiliano Restaurant (South Side), 2557 E. Carson Street, PGH, PA 15203

**For more information:** <http://pmahcc.org/dia-de-los-muertos.html>

*Proceeds from the networking event benefit our HMAHCC foundation whose mission is to provide scholarships to student of Hispanic origin in the Pittsburgh Metropolitan Area.*

### Misas Católicas

Misas católicas en español todos los domingos al medio día (12:00 p.m.) en St. Regis Parish, 3235 Parkview Avenue, South Oakland.

<https://www.facebook.com/stregisparish>

### Se Necesitan Familias Latinas para el estudio de salud Ándale Pittsburgh

Del Departamento de Salud y Actividad Física de la Universidad de Pittsburgh

- ¿Tienes usted niños entre los 2 y los 5 años?

- ¿Se considera usted Latino/Hispano?
- ¿Quiere aprender más sobre nutrición y actividad física?
- ¿Quiere que sus niños crezcan saludables y felices?

Si respondió SÍ a estas preguntas, ¡Usted podría participar en nuestro estudio de investigación!  
Por favor, contacte a:

Ivonne Sanchez; Teléfono: 412-407-5112 o (412) 383-4026  
[andale@pitt.edu](mailto:andale@pitt.edu)  
Departamento de Salud y Actividad Física-Universidad de Pittsburgh  
32 Oak Hill Court, Pittsburgh, PA 15261

### **Pittsburgh Metropolitan Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (PMAHCC)**

PMAHCC is currently accepting applications for the academic year 2015-2016. The PMAHCC Foundation Scholarship Program accepts applications from January 1 until June 30 for the scholastic year starting in the fall. Students must respond to all PMAHCCF requests for verification and transcripts in order to be eligible. Transcripts and verification of need must come from the school directly.

Grant amounts are evaluated for each applicant depending on individual need or merit; and the foundation available funds. Not all applicants will be selected as recipients.

#### **AWARD**

- Awards range from \$1,000 to \$2,000

Applications are available through the Chamber's website at: [www.pmahcc.org](http://www.pmahcc.org) or <http://www.pmahcc.org/scholarship-2015.html>

### **Café con Leche:**

**For more information:** <http://www.cafeconlechepgh.com/> or email: [CafeConLechePGH@gmail.com](mailto:CafeConLechePGH@gmail.com)

Café Con Leche uses food to build community. It is a place for the Pittsburgh Latino community to connect, promote Latino culture in Pittsburgh and be a safe space for dialogue and creative problem solving. The name, Café con Leche (coffee with milk in Spanish) refers to the Puerto Rican tradition of serving coffee to household guests.

ALPFA Pittsburgh, Cafe Con Leche and AlphaLab are partnering on an event "**Taller Latino**", focusing on Latinos living in Pittsburgh who work in tech and media. In Spanish, the word "Taller" (pronounced Tie-yer) means "workshop". (Taller Latino = Workshop Latino).

The panelists for the panel discussion, Latinos in Tech & Media, have been announced! You can see the details of the event on the Facebook invite as well as the showclix link.

**Wednesday, November 11th from 5:30-8pm** at AlphaLab in East Liberty. It's a FREE event!

### **Circulo Juvenil de Cultura-Volunteer Opportunity to work with Hispanic/Latin@ children at CMU**

Volunteer opportunity: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VoluntariadoCirculo>

For more information: Felipe Gómez at [fgomez@andrew.cmu.edu](mailto:fgomez@andrew.cmu.edu)

For information on their programs, visit: <http://circulocmu.blogspot.com/>

### **Salud para Niños**

- Free Pediatric and Free Immunization Clinics
- Changes in the Salud Para Niños Free Monthly clinic at Birmingham
- Hours for our Clinics at the CHP Primary Care Center
- Dental Services and Salud Para Niños
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- Salud Para Niños featured in WQED Horizons
- Salud Para Niños website in Portuguese
- Pittsburgh Action Against Rape (PAAR) in Spanish
- SALUD PARA NINOS in Portuguese
- Subscribe / Unsubscribe Salud Para Niños Updates, News and Future Events e-newsletter

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**SALUD PARA NINOS**

**Free Pediatric and Immunization Clinics - 2nd Saturday of each month**

Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh Care Mobile - Birmingham Clinic

Dates: October 10, November 14, December 12

Time: 8:30 AM a/to 12 PM

Location: Salvation Army 54 S. 9th Street South Side Pittsburgh, PA 15203

865 Cabot Way, Pittsburgh, PA, Pittsburgh, PA 15203

More Information <http://www.chp.edu/spanishclinic> 412-692-6000 option 8.

**(Appointment and health insurance are NOT required)**

**Please call 412-692-6000 option 8 on the same day of the clinic and listen to the message to verify that there have not been cancellations or changes in the schedule due to unforeseen circumstances such as weather conditions.**

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**Changes in the Salud Para Niños Free Monthly clinic at Birmingham**

Effective August 9th, 2014 Salud Para Niños will begin seeing patients at 9:00am. Registration will begin at 8:30am. Also we are offering appointments for all the second Saturday of the month pediatric free monthly clinics. To make an appointment for any of the Salud Para Niños second Saturday of the month pediatric free monthly clinics please call 412-692-6000 option 8 during business hours. We will continue offering walk-in clinics in our Salud Para Niños second Saturday of the month pediatric free monthly clinics at the Birmingham clinic. Those who come to the pediatric free monthly clinic without an appointment or those who have an appointment but do not make it on-time for the appointment will be seeing on order of their arrival/sign-in.

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**SALUD PARA NINOS - Children's Hospital de Pittsburgh - Primary Care Center**

Hours for our Bilingual-Bicultural Clinics at the CHP Primary Care Center

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

More information 412-692-6000 option 8 <http://www.chp.edu/spanishclinic>

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**Dental Services and Salud Para Niños**

The Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh Primary Care Center offers appointments with a Dental Hygienist for all the Primary Care Center patients' ages 1 through 7 years. An appointment and health insurance are required. Appointments can be made by calling 412-692-6000.

Representatives from the Hispanic Dental Association of the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine attend our free clinics at the Birmingham Clinic. They provide dental prevention care to children and adults. There is no need for an appointment nor to have health insurance.

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**ADOLESCENT CLINIC IN SPANISH**

The Division of Adolescent Medicine and the program Salud Para Ninos of the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh offers general medical services for adolescents in Spanish. Services include check-ups, sick visits, reproductive health care (except for pregnancy follow-ups and prenatal care), prevention and treatment of sexual transmitted infections and management of issues common among teens such as smoking, drug use and behavior problems. Patients may choose Adolescent Medicine for primary care or may come for consultation services.

Confidential care is available for young men and woman under 22 years of age who require treatment related to reproductive health including birth control and PAP smears as well as prevention and treatment of sexual transmitted infections. Service is available regardless of insurance status.

To make an appointment please call 412-692-6753 and leave a message asking for an appointment with the Spanish Clinic (scheduling only available in English).



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**Salud Para Niños featured in WQED Horizons**

Thanks to Cindy Fernandez and WQED Horizons' Latino Health in Pittsburgh featured a segment about Salud Para Niños. The Salud Para Niños segment can be seen in our webpage [www.chp.edu/spanishclinic](http://www.chp.edu/spanishclinic)

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**SALUD PARA NINOS website in Portuguese**

Thanks to the generosity of Ena Seltzer RN, BA, BS Public Health Nurse from the Allegheny County Health Department now we have hour SALUD PARA NINOS webpage in Portuguese. Thank you Ena.

[www.chp.edu/spanishclinic](http://www.chp.edu/spanishclinic)

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**Pittsburgh Action Against Rape (PAAR) in Spanish**

Whether you are a victim of sexual abuse, or have been forced to do any sexual act against your will, or know someone with these problems. We can help, call us for more information.

Free mental health services for adults and children

We speak Spanish : 412 -431-3373 ext. 142. [www.paar.net](http://www.paar.net)

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**SALUD PARA NINOS in Portuguese**

Thanks to the generosity of Ena Seltzer RN, BA, BS Public Health Nurse from the Allegheny County Health Department and Alessandra Almeida Duquesne University student and Salud Para Niños volunteer we have hour SALUD PARA NINOS announcements in Portuguese. Thank you Ena and Alessandra.

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**SALUD PARA NINOS UPDATES, NEWS AND FUTURE EVENTS** is an electronic trilingual newsletter that it sent six to eight times a month for people interested in services through our program and related to children's health.

If you want to have your email address included in this email list please email [Diego.ChavesGnecco@chp.edu](mailto:Diego.ChavesGnecco@chp.edu) with the Subject: SUBSCRIBE SALUD PARA NINOS UPDATES, NEWS AND FUTURE EVENTS.

If you DO NOT want to receive these emails any longer please email [Diego.ChavesGnecco@chp.edu](mailto:Diego.ChavesGnecco@chp.edu) with the Subject: UNSUBSCRIBE SALUD PARA NINOS UPDATES, NEWS AND FUTURE EVENTS. Thank you.

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**The Latino Family Center (LFC) Volunteer Programs and Opportunities**

The Latino Family Center provides Latino families in Allegheny County with the resources and support they need to raise healthy and happy children. As part of the Allegheny County Family Support Network, the LFC offers services and support to families that are in need of aid with child development, school readiness, and parent education. In order to better serve our families, we will need the help of volunteers to participate in a variety of programs and opportunities as described below:

*Volunteer Tutoring Program:*

The Volunteer Tutoring Program was launched during the beginning of the 2013-2014 school year and has proven to be a great success! Tutors are paired with a student in grades K-12 who needs help with homework, or an adult who is looking for ESL or GED help. Sessions take place in the home of the student/adult, or in a public space such as a library or coffee shop. Scheduling will depend on volunteer and student availability. Consistency and punctuality are crucial to this position as students will depend on tutor to help with daily school assignments and to ensure effective learning.

*Kindergarten Readiness Program:*

We are currently in the process of planning and organizing a Kindergarten Readiness Program to be held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10:30-12pm, while adult ESL Classes are in session. Children's ages usually range from 0-5. We would appreciate the help in planning the structure and consistent execution of this new program. If you love little kids, this is the opportunity for you!

*Special Events:*

We frequently have events at the center such as holiday celebrations and programs that allow local organizations to come and help or educate our families on a variety of topics. In these cases, we will need volunteers to help us plan, organize, set up, facilitate, and help clean after the event. This position will vary by event and need.

*Family Advocacy:*

There are also opportunities at the LFC for volunteers to help out with interpretation in English and Spanish. Duties may include: translating/completing forms, accompanying families and translating at doctor's appointments, etc.

*Cooking:*

We are a group of staff members and LFC family members alike who loves to bond over food. If you also love to cook and are looking to challenge and apply your skills outside of your own kitchen, we invite you to help us prepare snacks and meals before meetings and events throughout the year. Multiple times or just a one-time offer, we look forward to trying out your cooking!

*Center Office Help:*

Every once in a while, the Center needs help with office duties! Volunteers will be asked to come in a help clean, re-organize, file, or help with the packaging of monthly newsletters in to envelopes.

**For more information:** [latinofc@aiu3.net](mailto:latinofc@aiu3.net)

**Latin American Culture Union (LACU) -- Events and calendars!**

**For more information:** [info@lacunet.org](mailto:info@lacunet.org) or visit <http://www.lacunet.org/#!/clients/c1tsl>

**Global Pittsburgh** (*Creating bridges with the world*)

**For more information:** <http://www.globalpittsburgh.org/>

**Juan Diego DJ—Events**

**For more information:** [Juandivii@hotmail.com](mailto:Juandivii@hotmail.com); [www.djuandiego.com](http://www.djuandiego.com) or 412-980-7653

**Latin American Cultural Union (LACU)**

**For more information:** <http://www.lacunet.org/>

**Nego Gato Afro Brazilian Music and Dance Ensemble**

Steel Dragon Kung Fu Studio, 100 43rd Street #113, Pittsburgh, PA 15201

**For more information:** [contactus@negogato.org](mailto:contactus@negogato.org) or call 412-201-4546 or visit:

<http://www.negogato.org/calendar.html>

**Timbeleza:**

**For upcoming events visit:** <http://timbeleza.org/#upcoming-events>

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

If you have an announcement related to a **Latin American/Caribbean activity** taking place during **November 2015** that you would like to share with others interested in the region, please send details by **October 30, 2015** to: [clas@pitt.edu](mailto:clas@pitt.edu). Information needs to be sent to the CLAS email address. We do not collect information about events, they need to be sent to us by the organizers. Make sure you send your information to [clas@pitt.edu](mailto:clas@pitt.edu).