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Alain Touraine, eminent French scholar, is the 1997 recipient of the LASA Kalman Silvert Award. LASA Past President Cynthia McClintock, 1997 chair of the Silvert Award Selection Committee, will present the award at the XX International Congress in Guadalajara, Mexico. Professor Touraine also will participate in the Kalman Silvert Award Panel. The schedule for the panel will be announced in the final Congress program booklet.

Born on August 3, 1925 in Hermanville-sur-Mer, Alain Touraine attended the Ecole Normale Supérieure in 1945, and passed the agrégation examination in history in 1950. He was then appointed Attaché, and later Chargé de recherches at the Centre National de Recherche Scientifique until 1958. Between 1952 and 1953, he was a Rockefeller Fellow at Harvard, Columbia, and the University of Chicago.

In 1956 he created the Center for Labor Sociology Research at the University of Chile. In 1960, he was appointed Director of Studies at the Ecole Pratique de Hautes Etudes which has since become the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (School of Advanced Studies in the Social Sciences). In 1965, Touraine became a Docteur ès Lettres (Ph.D.). From 1966 to 1969 he taught in the School of Arts and Science of the University of Paris-Nanterre.

In 1958, he created the Laboratoire de Sociologie Industrielle, which became in 1970 the Centre d’Etudes des Mouvements Sociaux. Finally, in 1981, he created and directed the Centre d’Analyse et d’Intervention Sociologiques, whose direction he passed on to Michel Wieviorka in 1993.

A member of various sociological associations, Alain Touraine was, among other things, President of the Société française de Sociologie from 1968 to 1970, and the Vice-Président of the International Sociological Association, from 1974-1978. He was also a member of the Commission de Réforme des Universités (1966-68), a member of the Commission des Sages du Ministère de la Recherche et des Enseignements Supérieurs (1987), a member of the Commission de la Réflexion sur la Nationalité (1987), of the Comité d’Ethique des Hôpitaux de Paris (1988), of the “Minc” Commission on the Challenges of the Year 2000 (1994), and a member of the Haut Conseil à l’Intégration (1994-96). He is a member of the World Bank Commission on long-term development, also a member of the Board of Directors of the Latin American House and of the Ecole Normale Supérieure, a foreign honorary member of the American Academy of Arts and Science, a member of the Polish Academy of Science, and a member of the Academia Europea.

Among his very numerous books and publications, most of which have been translated into several languages, the following can be mentioned: Sociologie de l’action (Seuil, 1965); Le Mouvement de mai ou le communisme utopique (Seuil, 1968); La Société post-industrielle (Denoël-Gonthier, 1969); Production de la société (Seuil, 1973); Vie et mort du Chili populaire (Seuil, 1973); Pour la Sociologie (Seuil, 1974); Les sociétés d’âncêtres (J. Duculot, 1976); Un Désir d’histoire (Stock, 1977); La voix et le regard (Seuil, 1978); Le Mouvement Ouvrier (with Michael Wieviorka and François Dubet, Fayard, 1984); Actores sociales y sistemas politicos en América Latina (Santiago, PREALC, 1987); Le Retour de l’acteur (Fayard, 1984); La Parole et le Sang. Politique et société en América Latina (O. Jacob, 1988); Critique de la modernité (Fayard, 1992); Qu’est-ce que la démocratie (Fayard, 1994); Penser le Sujet. Autour d’Alain Touraine (Fayard, 1995), edited volume under the direction of François Dubet and Michael Wieviorka; and “Lettre à Lionel, Michel, Jacques, Martine, Bernard, Dominique...et vous” (Fayard, 1995). The latest book, an edited volume published under his direction, is Le Grand Refus (about the strike of December 1995, Fayard, 1996). His forthcoming book, scheduled for publication in early 1997 is: Pourrons-nous vivre ensemble? Egaux et Différents (Paris, Fayard).


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Serving on the 1997 Silvert Award selection committee with Professor McClintock were LASA Past Presidents Carmen Diana Deere and Lars Scholtz. Gilbert Merks, editor of the Latin American Research Review, serves as a permanent member of the committee.
President’s Report
by Jane Jaquette
Occidental College

From the perspective of the 18-month presidency, this is the “home stretch”—the last four months before the Guadalajara Congress. The last months have been a time of intense pressure on the Secretariat; the Program Chairs and their staff, reviewing applications to present panels or papers at LASA97; scheduling sessions (including Task Force meetings, receptions, special sessions and plenaries) in the tight space we have in Guadalajara; and working with local arrangements to get all the details right and to plan local events, including an outstanding film festival and corrido concert. We owe an immense debt of gratitude to Program Chairs Victoria Rodriguez and Peter Ward, to Local Arrangements Coordinator Maricarmen Canales, to the University of Guadalajara Consortium, and to Reid Reading and the Secretariat staff.

In addition to the range of panels, provocative plenaries and the location of this meeting in Mexico—the first Congress held outside the United States since 1983—LASA97 offers you the opportunity to make the leap onto the Internet (if you are not already connected) or to learn more about Internet and Websites and the way these are used in the Latin American region. Hands-on training (in English, Spanish and Portuguese) will be available at the Congress and is free to registered Congress attendees—or you can pay a nominal fee for an intensive workshop on Wednesday. We especially encourage Latin American scholars to take advantage of these opportunities. For details and to learn how to sign up for sessions or to get your LASA97 paper on-line, consult the announcements in the issue.

As we move closer to the Congress in formation, I hope you will keep in mind some recent developments.

On Resolutions

As reported in the Summer Forum, the LASA Executive Council reformed the resolutions process to increase the involvement of members and the quality of resolutions. Copies of proposed resolutions to be voted on at the Business Meeting will be available to members when they register at the Congress; in some cases the Executive Council will schedule discussions prior to the Business Meeting to ensure thorough discussion. The deadline for submitting resolutions to the Secretariat for LASA97 is March 15. Resolutions must be signed by five LASA members; resolutions cannot be accepted after that date.

On LASA Finances and Fund Raising

As I outlined in my first presidential letter, I have devoted considerable time and energy to meet the challenge of keeping LASA on a sound financial basis. This has involved:

- working with LASA Treasurer, Charles Hale, and the LASA Secretariat to substantially improve LASA’s budget procedures and categories so that it is now easier to understand where the Association’s funds come from and where they go, and so that decisions on dues, fees, personnel and administrative costs can be made more knowledgeably;
- working with some members of the EC and the Secretariat to secure foundation and government grants and pledges to bring Latin American scholars, especially younger scholars, to the Guadalajara meeting;
- securing some program support, most notably $60,000 from the Ford Foundation to support the on-line training and papers project;
- continuing our efforts to grow LASA’s endowment funds to the point where we can draw on them to fund travel for Latin American scholars.

We have also sought support from two new sources to support travel to LASA97: Latin American airlines and LASA members themselves. A few senior Latin American colleagues are helping to establish contacts with the airlines and we hope to have positive results to report at Guadalajara.

A new LASA Travel Fund, initiated so that LASA members can contribute directly to support the travel of Latin Americans to upcoming congresses, has begun well; I strongly urge LASA members in a position to do so to consider a special contribution to this year’s Travel Fund.

On Task Forces/Sections

The Executive Council, under the leadership of Vice President Susan Eckstein, has been working on a proposal to convert most of LASA Task Forces into sections, an organizational structure that has worked well for most of the professional associations in our disciplines. There are obvious reasons for this change. LASA Task Forces have come to function as groups representing particular regions or subfields (such as Central America or the environment), or to promote scholarly relations with a specific country or region. These are long-term concerns of members, not specific “tasks” to be finished by a particular date, so the term “Task Force” is misleading. More important, Task Forces have a limited number of members; both members and chairs are appointed by the LASA President. By contrast, sections will be open to all, and will elect their own leadership. If the proposal is approved, LASA97 will provide a critical transition time for Task Forces and will give those who want to form new sections the opportunity to recruit new members.

See you in Guadalajara!
ON LASA97

Guadalajara, Guadalajara!
A Note About the Panel Selection Process from the LASA97 Program Chairs
Victoria Rodriguez and Peter Ward
University of Texas at Austin

This note complements the full Program Schedule that appears elsewhere in this issue of the Forum. By the time you read this, the Final Program will have gone to press and you will be informed of any updates and changes in your final program package. In addition, you may monitor changes as they occur by consulting the LASA97 Web page, clicking on “Recent Updates by the Program Chairs.”

The program is of exceptional size and quality. With approximately the same number of meeting rooms as in Washington and a thousand more people applying, we have been able to accommodate over 550 sessions, comprising some 2,500 formal paper presentations in 35 concurrent sessions. This was achieved by insisting upon a minimum number of presenters in any panel (4, with a maximum of 6), as well as by careful control to ensure that there are no double paper presenters (although many people appear on the program more than once by virtue of being session organizers, panel discussants, and listed speakers at special sessions). It also derives from a tougher-than-usual review process.

Inevitably, this has led to some expressions of disappointment from those whose panels or individual papers were not accepted. There has also been some demand to know about the review and evaluation process, as well as rather uninformed criticism of that process as being “arbitrary,” “insufficiently inclusive,” “undemocratic,” “dependent upon whom you know on the committee,” and so on. Disappointment notwithstanding, let us describe, briefly, the process that was adopted.

First, all proposals were received and logged by the Program Office, and late applications received beyond the May 1st deadline were returned to the sender. Second, (late May) sorted proposals (by section) were sent to the section chairs with clear guidelines about the number of panels that they should aim to accept and/or create through the brokering process. This number was determined pro-rata by section, depending upon the number of proposals each section had received divided by the total number of meeting room spaces available.

Chairs were instructed to assess proposals strictly on their merits and to winnow out those proposals which were either considered to be less strong, or which failed to meet the criteria in the call for papers (panels with less than 4 presenters, incomplete proposals, etc.). Section chairs then sought either to “broker” individual paper proposals either into existing panels (contacting the panel organizer along the way), or to sort them into newly created panels. This process involved some considerable liaison with other section chairs in order to ascertain whether there were panels elsewhere which might be appropriate. Third, (early August) decisions were remitted to us in Austin, and after having removed double presenters and engaged in some additional brokering, we made final decisions about those panels which were “at the margins.” Final decisions were logged onto the database which had been constructed during the summer, and decision letters were sent out in mid-September.

For those of you who were disappointed, we wish to make clear that we went to great lengths to ensure a fair and equitable review process. Quality and coherence of panel proposals were the sole criteria for selection. The Section Chairs were extremely assiduous in their review of proposals, and we strongly resisted post-decision appeals—no matter from whom they came. A quick glance at the accepted panels should reassure everyone that these are, indeed, very strong panels. Moreover, Section Chairs worked extremely hard to “broker” worthy individual paper proposals into existing panels or into new panels. This year the rejection rate of individual paper proposals was approximately the same as for panels (around 25 percent of the total received). As a last minute measure to maximize the number of LASA members accepted, we decided to extend the Thursday sessions through until 9:15pm, thereby providing for a further 35 sessions to be included.

We hope that LASA members will recognize that it is no longer possible to provide for wholesale acceptance of papers, and that sloppy or incomplete proposals are not likely to be successful—no matter how “weighty” the scholar.

Turning to other matters, by way of innovation we have built a LASA97 Guadalajara Web page. This can be found at http://www.pitt.edu/~lasaweb/. It can be navigated through clicking on the icons on the José Clemente Orozco fresco (cupula of the Hospicio Cabáñez), or browsed through the adjacent hypertext index. It includes the following resources:

- Recent updates by the Program Chairs;
- Tourism and travel information for Jalisco and Guadalajara, including weather reports and excursions;
- Several newspapers and academic resources of the city and state;
- Invitation to LASA’s first ever Internet/PC Training Center, where participants can learn the Web from trained experts;
- LASA97 e-mail access and other WWW links;
and the LASA97 Program with the complete schedule of events.

Finally, LASA has agreed to make available meeting rooms for several pre-Congress scholarly meetings and events. During Monday through Wednesday (14-16) there will be a workshop on “New Concepts of Democracy and Gendered Citizenship in Latin America: Local, National and Global Perspectives,” sponsored by the LASA Women's Task Force and UNESCO. On Wednesday 16th April the following events are scheduled: a research workshop on “The Transformation of Rural Mexico: Building an Economically Viable and Participatory Campesino Sector;” and “Encuentro sobre la investigación del CINE Mexicano y Latinoamericano: balance y perspectivas” (see Fall 1996 Forum for details about these two events). There also is a meeting on “Political Change in the 1990s: Democracy and Participation,” sponsored by the LASA Task Force on Scholarly Relations with Cuba, and the hands-on workshop “The Internet for Latinamericanistas.” Check the LASA97 Web page for further details.

Arriving in Guadalajara on Wednesday?

LASA97 attendees are invited to a
GALA WELCOMING RECEPTION

April 16
6:00-7:30 PM
In the Esplanade and Vestíbulo of the Expo

Mariachis and Drinks
Courtesy of Tequila Sauza

See you there!

Make Plans to Attend LASA's GRAN BAILE at LASA97!
Reserve Friday April 18 at 9:30 pm
Hospicio Cabanias
Dance to the sounds of Mexico!

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For the Guadalajara XX International Congress
will be mailed to LASA members and to nonmember preregistrants prior to the meeting

DON'T FORGET TO TAKE YOUR BOOKLET TO GUADALAJARA

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Vista de Guadalajara
por Néstor Pérez Castillo
Universidad de Guadalajara

Guadalajara tiene, como toda ciudad importante de Latinoamérica, calles grandes, ruidosas y contaminadas que pueden pasar desapercibidas. Sin embargo, la Calzada Independencia merece especial atención porque se trata de una transitada arteria tapatía que es un doble símbolo de la ciudad: urbano por un lado e histórico por el otro.

En tiempos de la fundación, 1452, un río pequeño y pedregoso cruzaba el Valle de Atemajac, llamado por los españoles Río San Juan de Dios. Este río vería crecer a sus orillas la actual ciudad y le daría motivo para llevar el nombre que lleva. Guadalajara significa en árabe “río sobre piedras”. Ahora este flujo hidráulico natural se encuentra entubado y encima de él se halla el pavimento de la Calzada Independencia.

Con el paso de los años y el crecimiento de la mancha céntrica, la mencionada calle se convirtió en una línea divisoria interesante, en una especie de muro urbano. Hacia el oriente se encuentra aquella parte de la ciudad que es vieja y chaparra, no hay edificios altos. Se encuentran los prostíbulos de mayor tradición e historia. Está instalada una comunidad religiosa enorme y no católica. Y aún se observan las cicatrices que dejó la explosión de ocho kilómetros de calle en abril del 96. En fin, se encuentra y ocurre lo que pudiera llamarse el lado oscuro de la ciudad. Al menos así lo establece el mito famoso de la Calzada Independencia y agrega que hacia el poniente está el progreso, los hoteles de lujo, las discotecas, las colonias y fraccionamientos amurallados con vigilancia especial y jardines hermosos, además de que la vegetación en las calles es más densa y el paisaje por lo tanto más placentero. Del “otro lado de la Calzada”, diría cada uno según el sitio desde el que había, “es otra cosa”.

¿Cierto o falso? Habría que ver. Mito al fin y al cabo, el de la Calzada es un relato que reta, desafía: a desmentirlo o celebrarlo. Y para ello sólo basta con vivenciar la ciudad cubriendo los cuatro puntos cardinales.

Si se lleva a cabo tal experiencia, lo primero que saltará a la conciencia -pasando por los sentidos- será el clima. Ese elemento al que no le importan las divisiones simbólicas porque abriga y refresca igual a los de allá que a los de acá. El clima de Guadalajara es uno de privilegio, ya que durante casi todo el año la temperatura es agradable, con un cielo muy azul de nubes apacibles y esponjosas. Quizás mayo y junio resulten difíciles por el calor que arrecia, pero aún esa temporada es un período feliz porque todo tapatío sabe que en recompensa vendrá la lluvia. Siempre llega la lluvia. Y aquí cuando llueve la tierra huele a barro, a cántaro recién mojado. Y llueve a raúdas. Todo lo que había perdido brillo lo recupera, los muros se lavan, los pastos renacen y la gente brínca los charcos con el paraguas abierto seguro de que el calor ya se fue y que ha llegado de nuevo esa especie de eterna primavera a la que el invierno no le hace nada. El frío, en Guadalajara, es cosa sencilla.

Luego de cerciorarse de este estado climático, resultará útil saber que lo que se llama Guadalajara es en realidad un conglomerado metropolitano en el que participan esta ciudad y otras tres: Tlaquepaque y Tonalá al oriente, y Zapopan al poniente. Y que juntas albergan alrededor de cuatro millones de habitantes y ofrecen más de alguna cosa interesante.

Por ejemplo, Zapopan es famosa por su virgen venerable que mora en la basílica del lugar. A ella, conocida como la Virgen de Zapopan pero que en realidad se llama La Virgen de la O, se le organiza una romería de dimensiones impresionantes el doce de octubre de cada año. Un fenómeno religioso y comercial para conocer de cerca.

La basílica en sí misma—construida en el siglo XVII—junto con el atrio amplio y los arcos de ingreso al centro de la ciudad que miden 21 metros de altura, conforman un espacio valioso que fortalecen la identidad zapopana y se ofrecen como una muestra representativa de arquitectura pública.

Aledaño a este conjunto se halla la sala de Exposición y Venta de Arte Huichol. Artesanías elaboradas por este importante grupo étnico están permanentemente ahí, donde además se venden publicaciones y postales de temas huicholes.

Por su parte Tonalá, el pueblo más antiguo de la comarca, tiene un tianguis de fábula. Cada jueves y domingo en el transcurso de la mañana y hasta que cae la tarde, se reúnen cientos de artesanos ceramistas a vender su producción. Todo lo que la imaginación pueda concebir está en ese lugar: macetas, jarrones, cericeros, candelabros, platos, platones, floreros, fuentes de agua, etcétera, etcétera. Grandes, chicos, de colores, un color, sin pintar, y con las formas y técnicas que
En Tlaquepaque, existe un sitio famoso llamado “El Parián” y que es conocido como “La cantina más grande del mundo”, una manzana completa que en el centro tiene un patio con kiosco donde los mariachis y los cantantes hacen lo suyo mientras se bebe una “Chabela”—cerveza en enorme copa de vidrio tlaquepaqueño—y se comen antojitos típicos tapatíos.

También se puede comer refinadamente, por ejemplo, unos camarones en salsa de tamarindo, en medio de un jardín relajante, acompañado de buena bebida y rematado con un pan de elote con miel. Esto en “Casa fuerte”, pero también están el “Restaurant sin nombre” y “Adobe”—aquí, hasta un curandero le sana las malas vibraciones.

Por su parte, Guadalajara es como sus casas viejas, señorial y colonial, que tienen un patio en medio donde se reúne la familia, se ve llover o se cuentan las estrellas. Romántico el asunto. Y por eso Guadalajara, “la casa grande”, tiene su “patio grande”, que es la Cruz de plazas que se convierte en la Plaza Tapatía. Sitio criticado por muchos por su dudosa calidad estética; sin embargo, ahí se pasea la gente, se reúne a comer antojitos, mirar a un mimo, caminar y refrescarse. El espacio cumple con la tradición latina de vivir al aire libre los ratos de diversión, gente rodeada de gente. La plaza.

En ese lugar se visitan el Instituto Cultural Cabañas, un enorme claustro del periodo barroco mexicano que antes fuera orfanatorio y ahora recinto del arte mejor acabado de estas tierras: el muralismo mexicano. Aquí se encuentra “El Hombre de Fuego” de José Clemente Orozco. Además funciona como museo, de buena factura, y como espacio de expresiones culturales. Otro sitio circunvecino es el Teatro Degollado, edificio de tipo neoclásico que ofrece presentaciones cada domingo, espectáculo imprescindible, del Ballet Folklórico de la Universidad de Guadalajara. Frente a él se encuentra la Catedral, edificio antiguo de raras combinaciones arquitectónicas que en su momento describiera un insigne arquitecto local como “una prodigiosa armonía de mediocridades”. Sin embargo, es símbolo de la religiosidad de los habitantes de estas tierras. Y emblema visual de la ciudad: “las torres de catedral”.

En el Palacio de Gobierno del Estado se encuentra otra obra monumental del muralista José Clemente Orozco y al otro lado de la plaza está el Museo Regional de Jalisco, donde se expone obra pictórica de tiempos de la colonia.

El Centro de la Ciudad es en sí mismo un territorio para explorar y de ahí, como en anillos concéntricos que crecen, abarcar Guadalajara, de modo que en el recorrido aparezca la
famosa cantina “La Fuente”, el mercado y el templo de San Juan de Dios justo a un lado de la Calzada Independencia que en otros tiempos fuera el río pedregoso aquel de donde brotó el nombre de esta ciudad, donde además se juntan los mariachis todo el día a vender su folclor, sobre todo por la noche, lugar conocido como “La Plaza de los Mariachis”.

Seguro es que en muchos de estos sitios habrá jericallas, pozole, tamales, tepache, tejuino y tequila. Todo para beber y comer.

Ciertamente Guadalajara tiene también peculiaridades, como un templo gótico llamado “El Expiatorio”. Y tiene salas especiales de cine, museos de arte y una universidad que es la segunda en importancia del país, la Universidad de Guadalajara.

Pero, visto de mejor manera, Guadalajara es más que su atractivo folclórico, más que una ciudad de tradiciones fuertes y raíces religiosas profundas. Es un espacio urbano de contrastes que está aprendiendo a crecer y aceptar en sí mismo grupos diversos, de gente de pensamientos variados. Así es que, aunque Guadalajara conserva el mito de la Calzada Independencia, la clara línea que separa a los de allá de los de acá, se puede decir que tal relato se está convirtiendo en una anécdota y dejando de ser una certeza. La enorme ciudad empieza a diluir el mito, a reconocer que hay más territorios. Conciencia que la convierte en una ciudad de su tiempo, con todo lo que eso pueda implicar.

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LASA97 hotels are holding designated blocks of rooms for XX International Congress attendees. After the “cut-off” date, LASA must release these rooms to the hotel for use by the general public. Please make sure you have a place to stay by reserving as soon as possible through Viajes Atlas. Use the official “LASA97 Housing Form,” included in the preregistration packet. March 10 is the cutoff date for reservations.

Seats on airlines are sure to be booked at an early date, since the number and frequency of flights to Guadalajara, while generous, are not on a par with those to some other cities in which we have met. See the ad for Conventions in America, in this issue of the Forum.

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**UT-LANIC's PC Training Center at LASA97**

As part of ongoing efforts to bolster scholarly communication via the Internet among the Latinamericanist community, the University of Texas Latin American Network Information Center (UT-LANIC) will be running a PC-Training Center at the LASA97 Congress in Guadalajara. Equipped with 20 Internet-ready PC microcomputers, the focus will be on “hands-on” activities.

The Training Center, located near the bookseller and paper distribution area, will host a series of workshops, training sessions, and demonstrations designed to help LASA members at the Congress enhance their Internet skills. With the exception of the Pre-Congress Workshop, all activities in the Center are free of charge. For additional information, consult the official Congress Program or the Training Room World Wide Web site (http://lanic.utexas.edu/project/lasa97/).

**Pre-Congress Workshop: The Internet for Latinamericanists**
**Wednesday, April 16 ($35.00, preregistration only)**

This intensive workshop will combine training in the use of network tools and software, and demonstrations of the most important resources on the Internet for Latin American studies. Activities will be “hands-on” with Windows-based computers. There are no formal prerequisites, but prior exposure to e-mail and the World Wide Web is highly recommended.

Topics covered during the “tools” component:
- Newsgroups, discussion lists, and electronic scholarly forums
- Remote connections through Telnet and FTP
- Browsing the World Wide Web
- Introduction to “publishing” on the World Wide Web

Topics covered during the “resources” component:
- What is the Internet?
- How are Latinamericanists using the Internet?
- Strategies and techniques for searching and browsing
- Introduction to key Latin American sites on the Internet

The workshop will be held on Wednesday, April 16, from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. in the PC Training Center. The session will be conducted by two bilingual (English-Spanish) professional trainers: David Sangurima, from the Harvard-based LASPAU (Academic and Professional Programs for the Americas), and Molly Molloy, from the New Mexico State University Library. Seating is limited to 20, and participation in the workshop is by advance reservation only.

The cost of the workshop is US$35.00. Please send a personal check, money order, or bank draft in US dollars payable to: Institute of Latin American Studies

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**PC Training Center: Internet Training Sessions**
**April 17-19 (no charge)**

Nine training sessions will be offered as part of the regular schedule of Congress events. Each of the two-hour sessions will include hands-on components, with participants using Desktop PC computers connected to the Internet. Each session is limited to 20 participants. To reserve a space in one of these sessions, please register by contacting us at the address at the end of this announcement, e-mail (lasa97train@lanic.utexas.edu), or directly on the World Wide Web (http://lanic.utexas.edu/project/lasa97/). Please include your name, a return address, and the date and time of the session you plan to attend.

A) **Introduction to Electronic Networking**

This session is designed for those who are just entering the world of electronic networking. We will begin with a general discussion of the Internet and its major applications for Latin American studies scholars. The session will then cover in greater detail the basic tools necessary to tap into these resources: e-mail, electronic mailing lists, newsgroups, and browsing the World Wide Web.

English: Thursday, April 17, 10:15 A.M.-12:15 P.M.
Spanish: Thursday, April 17, 5:00-7:00 P.M.
Spanish: Friday, April 18, 12:30-2:30 P.M.

B) **Survey of Internet Tools and Resources for Latinamericanists**

This session will provide a general overview of Latin American resources available on the Internet and the software tools for Desktop PCs used to reach those resources. Demonstrations will focus on resources available through the World Wide Web using the Netscape browser, and will include an explanation of how to efficiently use subject catalogues and search engines, as well as several key databases. This session will also cover the use of Windows-based clients for remote connections using Telnet and FTP, and for browsing USENET newsgroups.

English: Thursday, April 17, 12:30-2:30 P.M.
English: Friday, April 18, 10:15 A.M.-12:15 P.M.
Spanish: Friday, April 18, 5:00-7:00 P.M.
Portuguese: Saturday, April 19, 12:30-2:30 P.M.

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C) HTML Publishing
Prerequisite: Experience with a WWW Browser

This session is designed as an introduction and overview to HTML (Hyper Text Markup Language) and Web page authoring. The focus will be on basic HTML commands and features, as well as some of the style conventions employed at the page and site level. We will also discuss some of the software options for HTML editors and converters in the Windows environment.

English: Saturday, April 19, 10:15 A.M.-12:15 P.M.

D) Hands-on HTML Authoring
Prerequisite: Experience with a WWW Browser

This session will focus on the actual mechanics of putting together Web pages. Using a Windows-based HTML Editor, participants in this session will create their own Web page. Participants should bring a floppy disk with files to be converted (i.e., for a “personal page,” bring your C-V, list of publications, research interests, and syllabi).

English: Saturday, April 19, 5:00-7:00 P.M.

Address all correspondence, including payment for the Pre-Congress Workshop and registration for the training sessions, to:

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LASA On-Line Paper Project

In its attempt to make scholarly papers presented at LASA Congresses available as widely and economically as possible, the Association has committed to putting on line at least 350 papers from LASA97, accessible from the LASA website.

We are asking LASA97 paper presenters to take a 3.5 inch, high-density virus-free diskette to the Guadalajara meeting, along with a hard (paper) copy of the contents of the diskette. LASA’s Director of Communications, Stacy Loughner, will have a table in the Book Exhibit Area. LASA would be most appreciative if you would drop off a diskette and the hard copy at Stacy’s table. Please don’t forget to also take or send 40 hard copies to the meeting (see “Instructions for Paper Presenters,” pages 28-29).

Given recent advances in conversion capabilities, diskettes with one of a variety of software languages may be submitted to Stacy. The list follows. Be sure that the diskette is 3.5 inch (other sizes cannot be accepted), high-density:

For a PC: Ami Pro 2.0, 3.x; Claris Works 1.0, 3.0; DCA/RFT; Multimate 3.x, 4.0; MS Word DOS 5.5; MS Word Windows 2.0, 6.0, 7.0; MS Works 2.0, 3.0, 4.0; Text; WordPerfect 5.1, 6.x; WordPerfect Windows 5.x, 6.x; WordPerfect Works 2.0; WordStar DOS 5.5, 6.0, 7.0.

For a Mac: Claris Works 1.0, 2.x, 3.0; MacWrite II; MacWrite Pro 1.0, 1.5; MS Word 4.0, 5.x, 6.0; MS Works 3.0, 4.0; RTF; Text; WordPerfect 2.0, 2.1, 3.x.

PC Training Center: Demonstrations of Electronic Resources for Latin American Studies
April 17-19 (no charge)

Eight demonstration sessions will be held as part of the regular Congress Program. During each two-hour session, Internet and CD-ROM-based content providers from the Latin American studies field will provide an overview of their resources. Admission to the demonstration sessions is on a first-come, first-served basis. Demonstration sessions will include: the Social Sciences; Economy & Trade; Bibliographic Resources; Brazil; Mexico; Central America. Session times and presenters can be found in the Congress Program or on the World Wide Web at:
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SOME PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

• Gala Reception hosted by Tequila Sauza, Wednesday April 16 evening, at the EXPO Guadalajara

• Invited Opening Address: Carlos Fuentes

• Invited Plenary Addresses:
  - Canciller José Angel Gurria Treviño, Mexico’s Foreign Secretary
  - Occidentalism/Latinoamericanismo: Categorías geoculturales y estructuras de poder: Walter Mignolo, Santiago Castro Gómez, Erna von der Walde, Alberto Moreiras, Eduardo Mendieta, Roberto Fernández Retamar
  - Leftists in Latin American Government: Jorge Castañeda, Carlos Ominami, Teodoro Petkoff, Gustavo Porras, Francisco Welfort

• Special Sessions and “State-of-the-Art” Sessions on:
  - Democratization in Latin America: Comparative Reflections
  - Cover and Accountability: The CIA and Guatemala
  - New Concepts of Democracy and Gendered Citizenship in Latin America
  - Poesía joven de América Latina
  - Theorizing Social Movements
  - New Federalism in Mexico: Guadalajara, Dos años después
  - Women in Contemporary Mexican Politics
  - Law, Justice and Democracy in Latin America
  - Human Rights in the New Democracies of Latin America
  - The Lesbian and Gay Movement in Latin America
  - Latino and Latin American Studies: Changing the Americas from within the US
  - Civil-Military Relations in Post-Peace Accords, Guatemala

• Continuous training sessions on use of the INTERNET for Latin American Studies
• LASA Award Presentations: Kalman Silveri Award, Bryce Book Award, Premio Iberoamericano Book Award, Media Award
• Festival del Cine Latinoamericano: Estrenos in Mexico of eight films from eight countries introduced by the directors
• LASA Business Meeting and President’s Report, Friday evening
• Literati at LASA: Major Latin American literary figures reading from their works
• Book Fair
• LASA97 Paper Sales
• Photo Exhibitions: (I) Mexico City; (II) Haiti
• The Gran Baile, Friday night
• Corrido Concert, Saturday night
• Ballet Folklórico, Sunday morning

See the final program for a complete list of special sessions, with times and locations.
SCHEDULE OF REGULAR SESSIONS BY PROGRAM SECTION

Please see the LASA97 Program Report by Co-Chairs Victoria Rodriguez and Peter Ward elsewhere in this issue of the Forum for a description of the program review process, and for details about how to access the Program Update Information on the LASA97 Website.

Below, each line contains the following information:

SESSION NUMBER/Session Title/Day/Starting Time
Day abbreviations: Wed=Wednesday, April 16/Thu=Thursday, April 17/Fri=Friday, April 18,Sat=Saturday, April 19

All regular sessions begin at the following times: 8AM, 10:15AM, 12:30PM, 2:45PM, 5:00PM, and 7:15PM (Thursday only). Plenaries and Receptions will normally start at 7:30PM. Sessions are planned to last two hours, with a 15 minute recess to clear rooms and to move between meeting rooms. Actual locations will be listed in the final program book.

Agrarian And Rural Issues: Gerardo Otero, Section Chair

AGR01/Forty Years of Community Development in the Andes/Thu /8AM
AGR02/La ganadería mexicana frente al fin de siglo/Sat /10:15AM
AGR03/Appropriating Spaces of Power: Cultural, Economic, and Political Struggles in the Mexican Sugar Sector/Sat /8AM
AGR04/Financiamiento rural en México ante el neoliberalismo: propuestas y alternativas/Thu /2:45PM
AGR05/El sector hortofrutícola hacia el siglo XXI/Fri /2:45PM
AGR06/From The Field: Recent Studies on Agricultural, Food, and Social/Environmental Changes in the "Post-Neoliberal" Age/Sat /2:45PM
AGR07/Tenencia de la Tierra en América Latina: los derechos, las normas y sus adecuaciones (Mesa I)/Thu /2:45PM
AGR08/Tenencia de la tierra en América Latina: los derechos, las normas y sus adecuaciones (Mesa II)/Thu /5PM
AGR09/Empleo y mercado de trabajo rural en América Latina: Chile, México y Perú/Sat /8AM
AGR10/GLOBALIZACIÓN Y EMPRESAS AGRICOLAS EN MÉXICO/Fri /8AM
AGR11/Lifeboats Expelled from the Ship of Modernization: Peasant Alternatives from the Left Out/Sat /8AM
AGR12/Organización comunitaria, identidad rural y proyectos de desarrollo/Sat /2:45PM
AGR13/Small Farmers, Global Markets I: Individual and Collective Responses to the Challenges of Commodity Production/Thu /10:15AM
AGR14/Small Farmers, Global Markets II: Mexican Campesino and Agricultural Worker Strategies in Non-Traditional Export Commodity Systems/Thu /12:30PM
AGR15/The Struggle for Land in Brazil: A 21st Century Anachronism?/Sat /2:45PM
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AGR20/NAFTA and the Internationalization of Mexico's Agri-Food Sector/Thu /12:30PM

Arts And Culture: David Lehmann, Section Chair

ART01/Questions of Life and Death: The Aztecs/Fri /5PM
ART03/Local Performance, Global Spectator: Performing Identities Beyond the Nation-State/Fri /2:45PM
ART04/Articulations and Dislocations of Nationhood: A Fin de Siecle Appraisal of Race, Ethnicity, and Class in National Discourses/Thu /10:15AM
ART06/Bodies/Movement/Performance: Dance and the Politics of Identity in Latin America/Thu /7:15PM
ART09/The Photographic Record of Latin America: Tourists, Investors, Expeditionaries, and Itinerants/Sat /12:30PM
ART10/Popular Culture and (Trans)National Identities/Sat /12:30PM
ART13/Sexualities and Gender in Mexican Cinema, Golden Age to the Present/Thu /12:30PM
ART14/Nostalgia, camp, kitsch en la memoria latinoamericana/Thu /10:15AM
ART15/Caribe multimedia: reformulaciones de la caribeña en la etnografía, la literatura, la música y el cine/Thu /5PM
ART16/Otras Cubas: memoria, nación y reconstrucción/Fri /2:45PM
ART17/Local Visual Regimes/National Cinematic Practices: Mexican Film 1930-1970/Thu /5PM
ART18/True Stories and National Priorities: Testimonial Literature and Cinema as Propaganda and Truth/Thu /8AM
ART20/Representations of Women in Latin American Arts/Sat /2:45PM
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Democratization: Scott Mainwaring, Section Chair

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**Economic Development:** Andrew Morrison, Section Chair

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ECO05/Regional Integration in Central America/Fri /12:30PM
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ECO38/Education and Household Modeling/Fri /10:15AM
ECO39/Impacts of Economic Integration and Economic Reform/Thu /10:15AM
ECO40/Development Banking, Agricultural and Regional Development/Sat /5PM
ECO41/Reappraising Import-substituting Industrialisation and the Role of the State/Fri /5PM

Environment: Marianne Schmink, Section Chair

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ENV02/Community Forestry, State Policy, and Biosphere Reserves in Mexico: Part I/Fri /10:15AM
ENV03/Nature and Culture: Gendered Management of Natural Resources/Thu /8AM
ENV06/Conservación y desarrollo en las reservas de la biosfera y bosques comunitarios en México: Part II/Fri /12:30PM
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ENV10/Assessing International Environmental Pressure on Latin American Governments and Industry/Thu /2:45PM
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Gender: Lynn Stephen and Jennie Purnell, Section Chairs

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GEN34/Mujeres políticas en México: participación y liderazgos/Thu /2:45PM
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GEN37/Historia y trabajo femenino en Puerto Rico: hacia un análisis crítico de las transformaciones y organización del espacio doméstico/Fri /8AM
GEN38/Poverty and Labor Strategies of Latina Women on the U.S.-Mexico Border Region/Fri /10:15AM
GEN39/Poder y género: Una mirada desde lo cotidiano en Jalisco/Sat /10:15AM
GEN40/Género y trabajo en México/Sat /5PM
GEN41/Gender and Family in the Cuban Immigration to the United States/Sat /8AM
GEN45/Engendering Political and Economic Restructuring in Latin America/Thu /5PM
GEN46/Género, Poder e Imagen Na Longa Duração - Brazil (1750-1950)/Fri /8AM
GEN47/The Engendering of Political Participation, Citizenship and Political Reforms in Latin America/Thu /2:45PM
GEN48/Reproductive Health in Latin American Population Policies: A Feminist View/Thu /7:15PM
GEN51/Género y realidad contemporánea: la mujer en Cuba/Fri /8AM
GEN52/Gender and Rural Development in Latin America/Fri /10:15AM
GEN54/Gender, Identity, and Household in Urban Mexico: Illustrations from Guadalajara/Sat /12:30PM
GEN56/Gender, Politics and Social Movements in Latin America/Thu /12:30PM
GEN57/Gender, Violence and Resistance/Thu /2:45PM
GEN58/Gender and Immigration: Latinas in the United States/Fri /2:45PM
GEN60/Mujer, trabajo y pobreza: el impacto del ajuste económico en el empleo femenino/Thu /7:15PM

History And Historical Processes: Dain Borges and Christine Hunefeldt, Section Chairs

HIS01/Regional Views from Colonial and Nineteenth-Century Spanish America: Missions, Empire, and State Formation/Thu /8AM
HIS04/The Other Mirror I: Culture and Politics in Comparative Perspective/Thu /10:15AM
HIS05/The Other Mirror II: The Rise of the State in Latin America/Fri /10:15AM
HIS06/The Other Mirror III: The Interaction of State and Economy/Sat /10:15AM
HIS07/La Amazonia: formación histórica y problemática actual/Fri /12:30PM
HIS08/Modern Buenos Aires: Disease, Religion, and Representation/Sat /12:30PM
HIS10/New Perspectives on Northeastern Brazil in the 19th Century: Local change within a national and global context/Fri /8AM
HIS11/One Hundred Years of "Os Sertões": E. da Cunha in the 20th Century/Thu /8AM
HIS12/Mass Mobilization and the Wars of Independence/Thu /2:45PM
HIS13/The Last "Fin de Siècle": The Argentine Generation of '80--Thought, Action and Setting/Sat /2:45PM
HIS14/Religion in Guatemala and Haiti in the Twentieth Century/Thu /5PM
HIS15/Poder local y movimientos sociales: la historia oral, una estrategia para su estudio/Thu /7:15PM
HIS16/Gendered Visions of Nation and Republic in the Caribbean: Haiti, Venezuela and Cuba/Thu /8AM
HIS17/Imagining Latin American Family History/Imaginar la historia de la familia latinoamericana/Thu /10:15AM
Indigenous Groups And Issues: Guillermo De La Peña, Section Chair

IND01/Nuevos acercamientos a la problemática indígena del México rural/Fri /10:15AM
IND02/Indigenous Policy, Indigenous Practice: Regional, National and International Dynamics Shaping the Experience of Indigenous Peoples in Brazil/Sat /10:15AM
IND03/Habitando la casa de nuestros ancestros: conceptos de espacio e identidad en comunidades indígenas/Sat /5PM
IND04/ Latin American Racism/Sat /12:30PM
IND05/Tecnología, comunicaciones, y los movimientos indígenas latinoamericanos/Thu /7:15PM
IND06/Movimientos indígenas y ciudadanía étnica en México/Thu /10:15AM
IND08/Política española y condiciones de vida de los pueblos indígenas de México colonial/Fri /12:30PM
IND09/Mestizaje and Other Mixes: Identity Politics in the Age of "Hybridity"/Fri /2:45PM
IND10/La política de identidad y la identidad de la política de los Mayas en Yucatán/Fri /2:45PM
IND11/Las lenguas indígenas latinoamericanas hacia el siglo XXI/Fri /8AM
IND13/Indigenous Society in Chiapas in the Wake of the Zapatista Movement I. The Political Debate: Autonomy and the State/Fri /10:15AM
IND14/Indigenous Society in Chiapas in the Wake of the Zapatista Movement II. Regional Experiences: New Political and Cultural Identities/Fri /12:30PM
IND15/Indigenous Institutions and the Bolivian State/Thu /8AM
IND16/Studying Latin America from the Periphery/Thu /10:15AM
IND17/Public Education and Ethnic Identity in Mexico 1930-1994/Sat /8AM
IND18/The Politics of Ethnicity and Indigenous Movements in Ecuador and Colombia/Fri /5PM
IND19/ethnicity, Migration and Globalization/Sat /8AM

International Relations: Pope Atkins, Section Chair

INT02/El conflicto armado entre Ecuador y Perú: lecturas críticas y actores olvidados/Sat /2:45PM
INT05/Mexican sovereignty in the post-cold war era/Thu /12:30PM
INT07/Cuba's Strategies for Survival: The International Dimension/Thu /2:45PM
INT09/La Organización de Estados Americanos como objeto de investigación académica/Thu /5PM
INT11/The Sociopolitical Agenda of Integration in the Wider Caribbean/Fri /12:30PM
INT13/Independence in the Americas: A Comparative Perspective/Thu /5PM
INT16/Chile-Asia: Cooperation Across the Pacific/Fri /12:30PM
INT17/México en el nuevo contexto internacional I: una propuesta analítica/Sat /12:30PM
INT18/Transnational Cultures in Mexico, Cuba, Nicaragua, Dominican Republic, and Panama/Thu /12:30PM
INT19/México en el nuevo contexto internacional II: prioridades y acciones/Sat /2:45PM
INT20/Latin America, the United States, and Drug Control: Patterns and Prognosis/Fri /5AM
INT21/Changing Security Concerns/Fri /2:45PM
INT26/Globalization and Transnationalization in Latin America's International Relations/Sat /2:45PM
INT27/Subregional Integration in Latin America/Thu /2:45PM

Labor Relations: Francisco Zapata, Section Chair

LAB01/Estrategias sindicales frente al TLCAN/Fri /5PM
LAB03/Alternativas de flexibilización productiva ante la reestructuración industrial en América Latina/Fri /12:30PM
LAB04/Nuevos modelos productivos: sociedad, género y clase/Thu /5PM
LAB05/Gender, Popular Culture and Revolution in Twentieth Century Mexican Cities/Fri /12:30PM
LAB06/Universidad y mercado de trabajo/Sat /8AM
LAB07/Reestructuración, eslabonamientos productivos y competencias profesionales/Thu /8AM
LAB09/Gender and Working-Class Memories in the Americas/Fri /8AM
LAB10/Estado, modernización industrial y procesos de trabajo/Sat /12:30PM
LAB11/Nuevas perspectivas en la relación trabajo y salud/Sat /5PM
LAB12/Labor and the Free Trade Area of the Americas: Looking Ahead to 2005/Sat /5PM
LAB15/Unions, the State, and Economic Restructuring in the Latin American Auto Industry/Sat /2:45PM
LAB16/Flexibilización, informalidad y culturas laborales en México/Fri /10:15AM
LAB18/Victims of the Miracles?: Chilean Workers and Neo-Liberal Reform, 1973-96/Thu /10:15AM
LAB19/Frentes culturales: investigación e interpretación a lo largo de la frontera México-EEUU/Sat /10:15AM
LAB20/Economic Restructuring and Labor Flexibilization in Brazil and Mexico/Sat /8AM
LAB22/Latin American Labor History/Thu /12:30PM
LAB23/Rural Workers/Fri /2:45PM
LAB24/Labor and Democracy in Latin America/Thu /2:45PM
Latinos in the U.S.: Susanne Jonas and Carlos Santiago, Section Chairs

LAT01/El caso cubano en el contexto de las migraciones caribeñas y latinoamericanas hacia Estados Unidos para fines de siglo/Fri /5PM
LAT03/Una nueva época sexual: Política de deseo y la construcción de comunidad/Fri /12:30PM
LAT04/Constructing Community Identities Across National and Regional Social Movements/Fri /12:30PM
LAT10/Latino-Caribbean Transnationalism in the United States/Fri /5PM
LAT15/Trayectoria migratorias y espacio social transnacional entre México y EEUU/Thu /8AM
LAT19/New Perspectives on North American Immigration/Sat /2:45PM
LAT20/The Largest Minority: U.S. Latinos in the 21st Century/Fri /10:15AM
LAT21/Wandering Culture: Itinerant Cultural Identities in the US/Mexico Borderlands/Fri /2:45PM
LAT22/City, Space and Memory: Constructing Latino Places in el Norte/Fri /8AM
LAT23/Imágenes de Latinos(as) in Theatre and Film/Sat /10:15AM
LAT24/Transnational Migration I: Theorizing Latin American Transmigration/Fri /10:15AM
LAT25/Transnational Migration II: Social Organization, Citizenship, and the State/Fri /2:30PM
LAT26/Latinos and the Global Society: Interdependence, Inequality, and Growth/Thu /5PM
LAT27/Latinos and the Global Society: Transnational Politics, Culture, and Organizing/Sat /2:45PM

Law And Jurisprudence: Teresa Caldeira and James Holston, Section Chairs

LAW01/Constitutionalism and the Civil Law Tradition in Latin America/Thu /10:15AM
LAW02/Democratic Transition and the Judicial System/Thu /12:30PM
LAW03/Estado y derecho en América Latina/Thu /8AM
LAW04/Latin American Perspectives in Criminal Justice: Gender, Ethnicity and the State in Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic and the USA/Thu /2:45PM
LAW05/Ideas of Social Justice in the Working of Latin American Courts/Fri /8AM
LAW06/Autonomía y derechos indígenas/Thu /7:15PM
LAW07/Latin American Competition Policies in Comparative Perspective/Sat /10:15AM
LAW08/Limiting Amnesties in Latin America: Preventing Impunity for Human Rights Violators/Fri /5PM
LAW09/Interculturalidad, derecho y discriminación/Sat /8AM
LAW11/Politics, Rights and Judicial System I: Justice in Everyday Life/Fri /12:30PM
LAW12/Politics, Rights and Judicial System II: The Politics of Rights, Judicial System in a Context of Globalization/Fri /2:45PM
LAW13/Judicial Reform and Democracy in Latin America/Thu /5PM

Literature: Mabel Moraña, Section Chair

LIT01/El sujeto de la escritura en la situación colonial/Thu /12:30PM
LIT02/Fronteras misioneras: verbo e imagen/Fri /8AM
LIT03/Seducción y traición de la cultura popular/Sat /8AM
LIT04/Deseos, mito, kitsch: la agenda de los estudios culturales latinoamericanos/Sat /10:15AM
LIT05/Representación, étnos individual y transformaciones sociales/Fri /10:15AM
LIT06/Argentina 1969: literatura en la revolución/ revolución en la literatura/Thu /10:15AM
LIT07/El neocolonismo en el Caribe hispánico/Fri /8AM
LIT08/Más allá de lo híbrido/Beyond Hybridity/Além do Híbrido: Part I/Thu /10:15AM
LIT09/Más allá de lo híbrido/Beyond Hybridity/Além do híbrido: Part II/Thu /12:30PM
LIT10/Tras lo poscolonial/Sat /12:30PM
LIT11/La construcción imaginaria de México: José Emilio Pacheco/Sat /10:15AM
LIT12/Culture and State in Latin America: Literature, Intellectuals and the Nation at the End of the Twentieth Century/Thu /8AM
LIT13/Trazando el margen desde "El tungstend" hasta Benetton: procesos de representación de alteridades sociales en las letras americanas del siglo XX/Fri /8AM
LIT15/Renaissance Norms and Delinquent Texts: The Adaptive Symbolics of Colonial Literature/Thu /12:30PM
LIT16/Primitivism in Latin American Aesthetics/Sat /2:45PM
LIT18/Indigenismo en el fin de siglo: cuestiones de raza, ortodoxia y deseo/Sat /8AM
LIT19/O Comparatismo Brasil/América (Hispanica): Sentido e Direcciones para el Novo Milenio/Thu /12:30PM
LIT20/Revisiones históricas en la literatura y el cine latinoamericanos/Sat /5PM
LIT21/Escritoras latinoamericanas de fines de siglo: visiones estratégicas de la ficción/Fri /12:30PM
LIT22/El cuerpo como territorio político: Reading the Body Politic in the Americas/Thu /2:45PM
LIT23/Diaries and Diarists: The Fictive and the Real/Sat /8AM
LIT24/Women on the Border/Thu /8AM
LIT25/Nuevas llocalidades para la producción cultural: diáspora, identidad y escritura/Fri /5PM
LIT26/La literarización de la historia mexicana/Thu /5PM
LIT27/What’s your nation? Exclusiones e inclusiones en la cultura latinoamericana del siglo XIX/Thu /12:30PM
LIT28/Reader and/in the Text: Approaches to Spanish American Fiction/Thu /8AM
LIT29/Apropriación e híbridas en el discurso del Perú colonial/Fri /10:15AM
LIT30/Historia y ficción en la literatura latinoamericana a finales de siglos/Sat /2:45PM
LIT31/Cuban Women Writers After 1959/Sat /10:15AM
LIT33/La oralidad en la historiografía andina/Thu /5PM
LIT35/Dis-locating Narratives: Recent Women’s Writing/Thu /5PM
LIT37/Figuras de la tráición en el imaginario nacional hispanoamericano/Fri /12:30PM
LIT38/Women as Culture Bearers in Colonial and Post-Colonial Latin America/Sat /2:45PM
LIT41/A escrita da conversão: Jesuitas, cronistas, indios e judeus/Thu /2:45PM
LIT42/El Corrido a fin de siglo: nuevas perspectivas regionales y locales/Thu /7:15PM
LIT43/De Tomochic a Aguas Blancas: un siglo de resistencia y revolución en el corrido/Sat /5PM
LIT44/Latin American Cosmogonies and the Limits of Social Construction/Thu /10:15AM
LIT45/El tema negro en los umbrales del Siglo XXI/Fri /5PM
LIT46/El espacio ideológico y discursivo del texto colonial: reflexiones para un nuevo milenio/Sat /12:30PM
LIT47/El ambiente raro del fin de siglo en Latinoamérica/Thu /10:15AM
LIT48/Contrapunteo americano: Comparative Plantation Cultures in the Americas/Thu /5PM
LIT49/New Trends and Developments in the Study of the Corrido/Fri /2:45PM
LIT51/Translation, Gender and Sexuality in 20th Century Latin American Literature and Culture/Thu /12:30PM
LIT52/Neocolonialismo y Postmodernidad en América Latina/Thu /7:15PM
LIT53/Isla o península: tendencias regionales en la literatura paraguaya de fin de siglo/Sat /5PM
LIT54/El Perú en sus novelas: reflexiones sobre una sociedad en crisis/Thu /7:15PM
LIT55/Cultural Narratives of the Americas in the Age of Globalization/Fri /5PM
LIT56/Decir y silenciar: textos hispanoamericanos del siglo XIX y XX/Thu /10:15AM
LIT57/Literatura centroamericana: nuevas lecturas (M.A. Asturias, E. Cardenal y M. Argüeta)/Fri /8AM
LIT58/Gender, Jazz and Cultural Politics in Contemporary Argentinian Literature and Film/Thu /7:15PM
LIT59/Relections from the Past, Visions of the Future: Yucatec Maya Language and Literature/Sat /10:15AM
LIT60/PUerto Rican Women Writers: A Feminist View of Puerto Rican Identity/Sat /12:30PM
LIT61/La tinta y la historia: asedio a la cultura mexicana finisecular/Sat /12:30PM
LIT62/Alegorias, estereotipos y metáforas... ¿Dónde está sobreviviendo la nación en tiempos de postnacionalismos?/Fri /10:15AM
LIT63/Los intelectuales y la literatura a finales del Siglo XX/Sat /2:45PM
LIT64/Inscripción de fronteras y construcciones de ‘lo local’/Thu /2:45PM
LIT65/Textos de frontera, fronteras del texto: literatura(s) latinoamericana(s) hacia el 2000/Thu /12:30PM
LIT66/Límites, espacios y sexualidad en el siglo XIX/Fri /8AM
LIT67/Ciudades, ciudadanos, ciudadanías/Thu /8AM
LIT69/Crisis, modernización y cambio. Intelectuales y modelos culturales entre dos fin de segle/Fri /2:45PM
LIT70/Vasos comunicantes en los discursos contemporáneos latinoamericanos: Brasil y América Hispánica/Sat /5PM
LIT72/Del testimonio a la imaginación: el discurso de mujeres chilenas de los últimos diez años/Thu /2:45PM
LIT73/Lo esclavos de Paradiso: 30 años tras su publicación/Sat /2:45PM
LIT77/Cine/Literatura: agencias históricas y sujetos sociales para el siglo XXI/Sat /12:30PM
LIT78/Los mundos culturales de Antonieta Rivas Mercado/Thu /2:45PM
LIT79/Las escritoras de la provincia mexicana y el fin de siglo/Sat /5PM
Politics And Public Policy: Henry Dietz, Section Chair

POL01/Politics and Policies in the Informal Sector/Fri 2:45PM
POL02/Cultura política y elecciones locales en México/Sat 5PM
POL03/Género y gobiernos locales: abordajes prácticos y conceptuales/Fri 10:15AM
POL04/Social Policy Reform in Latin America/Sat 2:45PM
POL05/Social Class and Family Alliances: The Hidden Narratives of Nicaraguan Politics/Sat 12:30PM
POL06/New Approaches to Political Behavior in Mexico/Sat 2:45PM
POL07/Tax Reforms in Latin America: Social, Political, and Economic Perspectives/Thu 12:30PM
POL08/The Politics of Health Policy Reform in Latin America/Thu 7:15PM
POL09/Liberalism and Anti-liberalism in Latin America/Thu 2:45PM
POL10/Mercosur and the Redefinition of Economic and Political Interests in South America/Sat 12:30PM
POL12/Políticas Neoliberales y Desarrollo en Oaxaca/Thu 8AM
POL13/América Central: Descentralización y gobierno local/Sat 5PM
POL14/Latin American Electoral Systems: Causes and Effects/Sat 2:45PM
POL15/Structural Social Security Reforms: Assessing Income Distribution and Equity Gains/Thu 2:45PM
POL16/The Complexities of the Afro-Latino Experience/Thu 8AM
POL19/Política social y transformaciones económicas: Continuidad y cambio/Fri 5PM
POL20/Latin American Health in Transition/Fri 2:45PM
POL21/AIDS in Latin America: Intections of Activism and Social Policy/Fri 5PM
POL22/Después de los acuerdos: Reconstrucción en Guatemala/Thu 5PM
POL25/Political Science in Latin America at the Fin de Siecle/Sat 2:45PM
POL27/Intermediación política e institucionalización de la vida pública/Thu 2:45PM
POL29/The Future of Revolution in Latin America: Considering Gender/Sat 12:30PM
POL30/Salud y nuevas políticas sociales: ¿Avances o retrocesos?/Sat 8AM
POL31/Resurgimiento del poder local: relaciones con el poder central/Fri 5PM
POL32/On Participation in the Age of Globalization/Sat 5PM
POL33/O Federализmo na America Latina: Balanço e Perspectivas/Thu 7:15PM
POL34/Both Sides Now: Defining and Defending Human Rights in Mexico and the United States/Thu 5PM
POL35/Comparative Electoral Behavior in Latin America/Thu 5PM
POL36/Cuba in Transition/Fri 12:30PM
POL37/The Capital City Mayor and Latin American Politics/Fri 8AM
POL38/The Effects of the Electoral Systems on Party and Legislative Behavior/Sat 8AM
POL39/"Race" Power and Citizenship in the Americas: Transnationalism in Question/Thu 12:30PM
POL41/Networks and Political Culture: Argentina, Brazil, and Peru in the '90s/Fri 12:30PM
POL44/Analyzing the Nicaraguan Elections/Sat 12:30PM
POL45/El estado post-Leviatán: desgaste y transformación en las políticas públicas puertorriqueñas/Sat 5PM
POL46/Between State and Civil Society: Comparing the Non-Profit Sector in Latin America/Thu 5PM
POL49/Relinking State and Society: New Perspectives on Policymaking in Mexico and Brazil/Sat 12:30PM
POL50/Religion and Politics in Latin America in the 1990s and Beyond: Mexico and Central America/Fri 12:30PM
POL52/Política local y gestión municipal/Thu 12:30PM
POL54/Paraguay's Institutional Development: Five Years After the Constitutional Convention/Thu 10:15AM
Social Movements: Joe Fowleraker, Section Chair

SOC03/Rethinking South-North Linkages: The Globalization of Social Movements/Thu /12:30PM
SOC05/The Future of Revolution in Latin America/Sat /10:15AM
SOC06/Latin American Democratization and Development: The Role of European and Latin American Civil Societies/Fri /8AM
SOC07/Exceptions to the Rule: Rethinking Race and Ethnicity in Latin America/Thu /10:15AM
SOC08/Movimientos sociales: la serpiente se muere la cola/Thu /7:15PM
SOC09/The Paths of Collective Mobilization in Latin America: Social Movements and Politics of Democratic Consolidation/Thu /8AM
SOC11/Saqueos y protestas en la era del neoliberalismo/Thu /10:15AM
SOC12/The Catholic Church and Latin American Feminism/Sat /10:15AM
SOC13/Ciudadanía y movimientos sociales/Thu /7:15PM
SOC15/Distributive Conflicts, Movement Actors and the State/Thu /12:30PM
SOC17/Religion, Everyday Life, and Migration in the Americas/Sat /12:30PM
SOC18/Organizing Cross-Border Alliances for Social Change/Fri /12:30PM
SOC19/Rim of Christendom? Latin American Protestantism in Historical Perspective/Sat /8AM
SOC20/Modern Methods of Social Movement Analysis/Fri /5PM
SOC21/Social Movements, Citizenship and the State/Sat /2:45PM
SOC22/Re-Presenting Social Movements: Mass Media, Images and Imaginaries/Sat /12:30PM
SOC23/Social Movements, Consciousness and Community Networks/Sat /5PM

Technology And Scholarly Resources: David Barkin, Section Chair

TEC01/Democratic pedagogy for the 21st Century: Innovators Share their Methods/Sat /5PM
TEC02/La evaluación de los estudios de posgrado. América Latina y el fin de siglo/Sat /5PM
TEC04/Computers in Latin American Literature and Culture/Thu /5PM
TEC05/Resources for Research on Gay and Lesbian Issues in Latin America/Fri /10:15AM
TEC07/Integrating Technology in the College Classroom: Practical Applications/Thu /8AM

Urbanization And Demography: Martim Smolka, Section Chair

URB01/Squatting and Urbanization in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil: The Limits of Local Action and Public Policies/Fri /10:15AM
URB02/Latin American Cities and their Economic Challenges/Thu /5PM
URB03/Migración Internacional de Guanajuatenses/Sat /8AM
URB04/Urban Revitalization in Mexico: Recapturing the Historic Center/Thu /7:15PM
URB05/Ports of the Spanish Caribbean, 18th and 19th Centuries/Sat /8AM
URB06/Functioning of Urban Land Markets in Latin America: Part I/Fri /8AM
URB07/Functioning of Urban Land Markets in Latin America: Part II/Fri /10:15AM
URB08/The Construction of Spatially Delimited Social and Cultural Identities/Fri /2:45PM
URB09/Migration and Transformation of Latin American Urban Systems/Sat /5PM
PC Training Center

PCT01/Demonstration of Electronic Resources for Latin American Studies: Economy and Trade/Thu /8AM
PCT02/Training: Introduction to Electronic Networking (in English)/Thu /10:15AM
PCT03/Training: Survey of Internet Tools and Resources for Latin Americanists (in English)/Thu /12:30PM
PCT04/Demonstration of Electronic Resources for Latin American Studies: Brazil/Thu /2:45PM
PCT05/Training: Introduction to Electronic Networking (in Spanish)/Thu /5PM
PCT06/Demonstration of Electronic Resources for Latin American Studies: The Social Sciences/Thu /7:15PM
PCT07/Demonstration of Electronic Resources for Latin American Studies: Mexico/Fri /8AM
PCT08/Training: Survey of Internet Tools and Resources for Latin Americanists/Fri /10:15AM
PCT09/Training: Introduction to Electronic Networking (in Spanish)/Fri /12:30PM
PCT10/Demonstration of Electronic Resources for Latin American Studies: Central America/Fri /2:45PM
PCT11/Survey of Internet Tools and Resources for Latin Americanists (in Spanish)/Fri /5PM
PCT12/Demonstration of Electronic Resources for Latin American Studies: Bibliographic Resources/Sat /8AM
PCT13/Training: HTML Publishing (in English)/Sat /10:15AM
PCT14/Training: Survey of Internet Tools and Resources for Latin Americanists (in Portuguese)/Sat /12:30PM
PCT15/Demonstration of Electronic Resources for Latin American Studies: Government and Official Documents/Sat /2:45PM
PCT16/Training: Hands-on HTML Authoring (in English)/Sat /5PM

Special Sessions

SPS45/Kalman Silvert Award/Thu /2:45PM
SPS46/Decentralization in Latin America: Comparative Reflections/Sat /12:30PM
SPS47/Central America: New Opportunities and Challenges/Fri /2:45PM
SPS48/Post-Conference Tour to the Manantlan Biosphere Reserve. (Tour leaves Sunday afternoon for the Reserve, will be there all day Monday, and return to Guadalajara Tuesday.)
SPS49/Presentation by Julia Carabias Lillo, Secretary of the Environment, Natural Resources and Fishing in the Mexican Government
SPS50/New Concepts of Democracy and Gendered Citizenship in Latin America: Local, National and Global Perspectives/Fri /5PM
SPS51/Latino and Latin American Studies: Changing the Americas from Within the U.S./Thu /10:15AM
SPS52/The Lesbian and Gay Movement in Latin America/Thu /5PM
SPS53/Poesía joven de América Latina (Panorama crítico y lecturas de poesía)/Fri /5PM
SPS54/Políticas culturales en América Latina: integración regional y globalización/Sat /5PM
SPS55/Roundtable with Party Presidents in Mexico/Thu /7:15PM
SPS56/Dialogue with Su Eminencia, Juan Cardinal Sandoval, Arzobispo Metropolitano de Guadalajara/Fri /8AM
SPS57/Relaciones Intercelésiales entre los Estados Unidos y América Latina: 1970-1995/Thu /5PM
SPS59/Mexico City: La ciudad de los viajeros en su contexto global/Thu /10:15AM
SPS60/Following the Results of Beijing. Beijing, algo más que palabras/Thu /7:15PM
SPS61/Law, Justice and Democracy in Latin America/Sat /10:15AM
SPS62/Human Rights in the New Democracies of Latin America/Fri /10:15AM
SPS63/Theorizing Social Movements/Thu /5PM
SPS64/The Meaning of Peace: The Guatemalan Peace Accords/Fri /5PM
SPS65/Nación pluricultural-nación pluriétnica: viabilidad política y viabilidad histórica en Guatemala/Thu /2:45PM
SPS66/Contemporary Issues on Haiti/Sat /5PM
SPS67/FLORAM-forestas e meio ambiente. O projeto brasileiro para a biodiversidade, contra a savanação e desertificação no mundo tropical/Thu /2:45PM
SPS68/Environmental Security Roundtable/Fri /5PM
SPS70/Spain and the European Union: A New Relationship with Latin America?/Thu /10:15AM
SPS71/Evaluation as a Tool for Public Administration/Fri /10:15AM
SPS72/A Critical Reflection on Three Decades of Latin American History: A NACLA 30th Anniversary Panel/Sat /5PM
SPS73/Some Latin American Views on the Alliance for Progress: Chile and Colombia/Sat /10:15AM
SPS74/Clinton and Cuba: Inside the White House Decision Making Process/Sat /2:45PM
SPS75/Contending Perspectives on Labor's Role in Democratization/Fri /2:45PM
SPS76/La profesión académica en América Latina: mito o realidad/Thu /7:15PM
SPS77/Teaching with Literature/Fri /8AM
SPS8/Higher Education Reforms in Latin America: A Perspective on the Nineties/Fri /2:30PM
SPS79/The Higher Education Reform Landscape: Report on Policy and Institutional Reform Efforts/Fri /2:45PM
SPS80/Panorama musical del Corrido a fin de siglo/Sat /9:00PM
SPS82/100th Anniversary of the Venezuelan Film Industry/Fri /10:15AM
SPS83/Arts of Haiti 1940-1997 (Haitian art slides)
SPS84/Los Presagios de Moctezuma (Photographic exhibition)
SPS85/Covering Latin America from the US: A View and Critique From the Field/Thu /10:15AM
SPS86/Legacies of Fear in Post-Authoritarian Latin America: The Culture of Fear Revisited/Sat/2:45PM
SPS87/Crisis Politica en Colombia/Fri /2:45PM
SPS88 /El Eterno Femenino: Theatrical Excerpts/Thu /7:15 PM
SPS89/U.S. Foreign Policy/Sat /5PM
SPS91/Peacemaking Process in Guatemala/El Salvador
SPS9/Asia and Latin America: Connections and Comparisons/Fri /12:30PM
SPS96/New Federalism in Mexico: Guadalajara, dos años después/Fri /2:45PM
SPS97/World Bank/Fri /10:15AM
SPS98/Women in International Security/Sat/5PM
SPS99/Women in Mexican Politics III/Thu /5PM

Meetings

MTG40/LASA Business Meeting/Fri /7:30PM
MTG41/Cuba Task Force-Business Meeting/Thu /8AM
MTG42/Task Force on Human Rights and Academic Freedom-Open Meeting/Thu /10:15AM
MTG43/Women's Task Force-Open Meeting/Fri /10:15AM
MTG44/Task Force on Gay and Lesbian Issues: Closed Business Meeting/Thu /8AM
MTG46/Latino (Issues) Task Force Open Meeting/Fri /8AM
MTG47/Task Force on Higher Education-Business Meeting/Sat /12:30PM
MTG48/Task Force on Scholarly Resources-Open Meeting/Fri /8AM
MTG49/Task Force on Scholarly Relations Among the Natural, Social and Engineering Science Communities-Open Meeting/Thu /8AM
MTG50/Task Force on Scholarly Relations with Central America-Closed Business Meeting/Thu /8AM
MTG51/Task Force on Scholarly Relations with Central America-Open Meeting/Thu /10:15AM
MTG53/Task Force on Scholarly Relations with the Former USSR and Central/Eastern Europe-Open Meeting/Thu /5PM
MTG54/Spain and the European Union: A New Relationship with Latin America-Open Meeting/Fri /10:15AM
MTG55/Haiti Task Force Meeting/Thu /2:45PM
MTG56/Task Force on Scholarly Relations with Paraguay-Open Meeting/Fri /5PM
MTG57/Labor Studies Working Group-Open Meeting/Fri /2:45PM
MTG58/Working Group on Natural Resources and the Environment-Open Meeting/Thu /10:15AM
MTG59/Latin American Studies Outreach Coordinators-Open Meeting/Fri /12:30PM
MTG60/CLASP Program Directors' Open Meeting/Thu /2:45PM
MTG61/Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies International Advisory Council-Closed Meeting/Thu /8AM
MTG62/Closed Meeting of the Policy and Markets Network: Information Meeting/Wed /1:00-2:30
MTG63/Business and Politics in Latin America-Working Group-Open Meeting/Fri /8AM
MTG64/Reunión de la Asociación de Paraguayistas: dónde estamos y a dónde vamos-Open Meeting/Fri /2:45PM
MTG65/Informes de la Asociación Internacional de Peruanistas-Open Meeting/Sat /5PM
MTG66/Venezuela Network: Business Meeting and Roundtable-Open Meeting/Sat /10:15AM
MTG67/Guatemala Scholars Network-Open Business Meeting/Thu /12:30PM
MTG68/"El Grupo Inamarcible": Open Meeting and Social Gathering for Colombians and Colombianists/Sat /7:30PM
MTG69/Society for Latin American Anthropology/New Journal-Open Meeting/Thu /2:45PM
Receptions

REC33/Institute of Latin American Studies, University of Texas-Austin, Evening Cocktail Reception/Fri/5:30PM
REC34/Duke-University of North Carolina Program in Latin American Studies Open Reception with Cash Bar/Fri/7:30PM
REC35/CLACSO's Thirtieth Anniversary Reception and Cash Bar/Fri/7:30PM
REC36/Task Force on Gay and Lesbian Issues/Open Meeting followed by Cash Bar/Thu/7:30PM
REC37/LAJSA Open Reception/Fri/7:30PM
REC38/FLACSO Reception for Women in Contemporary Mexican Politics/Thu/7:30PM
REC39/Center for Latin American Studies, Cambridge University, Reception for participants in the Arts and Culture Section and all members of the Program Committee/Sat/7:30PM
REC40/Oxford University Press Book Launch: The New Politics of Inequality in Latin America: Rethinking Participation and Representation/Thu/7:30PM
REC41/U. of California-Berkeley Reception/Fri/7:30PM

FILM FESTIVAL AT LASA97!

Thanks to Guillermo Vaidovits Schnuerer, Media Coordinator at the University of Guadalajara, and to Patricia Torres, also of the University of Guadalajara, LASA97 will feature a Film Festival with as many as eight major Latin American films. None of these films have been seen in Mexico.

The films will be shown in the Cine Foro, about 15 minutes from the Expo. Shuttle buses may be provided. Although the Festival will be given city-wide publicity, the Cine Foro will be at LASA’s disposition, and will privilege LASA participants. Each film will be shown twice daily, with times to dovetail with the Congress program so that people can get from the end of a session to the Cine Foro.

Take a break, if you can, and go to the movies!
INSTRUCTIONS FOR PAPER PRESENTERS
LASA97
XX International Congress
Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico

Please read carefully, if you are a presenter in LASA97!

All members of your panel, especially discussants and chairs/organizers, should have a copy of your paper in hand well before the meeting. You also need to make sure that copies of your paper are available for general distribution to congress attendees and LASA members during and after the meeting. Please read carefully these instructions to find out how. Papers may be in English, Spanish or Portuguese.

Paper Specifications

Manuscripts should be printed on white paper, with dimensions as close to 8 ½" x 11" as possible, single-spaced, and double-sided. Suggested length is 20-25 pages (10-13 individual sheets if double-sided). The cover page should carry the title, author’s name and affiliation, and the following (in English, Spanish, or Portuguese): "Prepared for delivery at the 1997 meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Continental Plaza Hotel, Guadalajara, Mexico, April 17-19, 1997."

Deadline for Submission of One Copy of the Paper to the Secretariat

An original copy of your paper should reach the LASA Secretariat by March 26, 1997. Send to: LASA, 946 William Pitt Union, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh PA 15260. As it has done for several years, LASA will fill requests for papers after the meeting, using this master copy.

On-site Papers

Each paper presenter should make sure that 40 (forty) copies of his or her paper reaches the LASA paper distribution area at the Expo. There are several ways for doing so:

Option 1)

LASA and Xerox Mexicana have negotiated an agreement offering paper presenters discounted prices for copying, and free delivery to the paper distribution area in the Expo. If you choose this option, submit one copy of your paper to Xerox, accompanied by the enclosed order form and appropriate payment by March 26, 1997. Xerox will confirm receipt of your original and will deliver the 40 copies directly to the paper distribution area by April 16.

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You may courier (express) mail by UPS, FedEx, MexPost, etc., your 40 copies to:

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Make sure these copies arrive no later than Monday, April 14, 1997. No regular mail, please. Any problems, phone MARCAR at 011-523-812-5535 or email mcanales@udgserv.cencar.udg.mx.

Option 4)

You may of course hand-carry your 40 copies to the Congress and deliver them directly to the panel paper distribution area in the Expo, which will be clearly marked.

If you are not planning on arriving at the Congress by the first day of the meeting, Thursday, April 17, we encourage you NOT to hand-carry (use a previous option); attendees often are frustrated by having to make several visits to the paper sales area in order to obtain papers that arrive after the first day.

Photocopying at the Congress

No photocopies of papers will be made at the LASA97 site. Xerox has agreed, however, to make copies for LASA97 people who appear in person at the Av. Libertad 1920 address (about a US$2.00 taxi ride from the Continental Plaza) for US$0.04 per copy. They caution that there may be long waiting periods.

Electronic Papers

In its attempt to make scholarly papers presented at LASA Congresses available as widely and economically as possible, the Association has committed to putting on-line at least 300 papers from LASA97, accessible from the LASA website.

We are asking LASA97 paper presenters to take a 3.5 inch, high-density virus-free diskette to the Guadalajara meeting, along with a hard (paper) copy of the contents of the diskette. LASA’s Director of Communications, Stacy Loughner, will have a table in the Book Exhibit Area. LASA would be most appreciative if you would drop off a diskette and the hard copy at Stacy’s table.

Given recent advances in conversion capabilities, diskettes with one of a variety of software languages may be submitted to Stacy. The list follows. Be sure that the diskette is 3.5 inch (other sizes cannot be accepted), high-density:

For a PC: Ami Pro 2.0, 3.x; Claris Works 1.0, 3.0; DCA/RFT; Multimate 3.x, 4.0; MS Word DOS 5.5; MS Word Windows 2.0, 6.0, 7.0; MS Works 2.0, 3.0, 4.0; Text; WordPerfect 5.1, 6.x; WordPerfect Windows 5.x, 6.x; WordPerfect Works 2.0; WordStar DOS 5.5, 6.0, 7.0.

For a Mac: Claris Works 1.0, 2.x, 3.0; MacWrite II; MacWrite Pro 1.0, 1.5; MS Word 4.0, 5.x, 6.0; MS Works 3.0, 4.0; RTF; Text; WordPerfect 2.0, 2.1, 3.x.

Final Note

Because of its commitment to broaden and deepen the stream of communication about topics of interest to the profession, LASA has expended considerable energy in probing the best means of effecting the distribution of congress papers. We thank you for the patience you have shown in the past, and encourage your continued cooperation.
CALLING ALL MEMBERS

BE SURE TO VOTE in the 1997 LASA ELECTIONS

Ballots were mailed in early January

Deadline for receipt of ballots at the LASA Secretariat is March 1, 1997

Please follow instructions to assure your ballot is valid

TIME TO RENEW FOR 1997

RENEWING NOW HELPS THE ASSOCIATION and assures on-time receipt of LARR, the LASA Forum and important LASA business

MEMBERSHIP FORM INCLUDED IN THIS ISSUE

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL LASA RESEARCH SEMINAR IN NICARAGUA
August 5-13, 1997

The principal focus of this year's seminar will be on the impact of the new government's policies on the social, economic, and political life of the country. Veteran Nicaraguanists should find this seminar of particular interest. It will have been more than six months since the inauguration—enough time to get some sense of the direction in which the country is going. There will be interviews with many of the leading figures in Nicaragua—across the political spectrum—some of whom have become familiar to LASA scholars and others who are just now in leadership/activist roles. We expect the participants to be the usual mix of Latin Americanists getting an update on the reality of Nicaragua, and academics and graduate students studying Nicaragua for the first time. Participants are required to be LASA members and to have good comprehension of Spanish. No translation will be provided. Josefina Saldana, an experienced Nicaraguanist, will be the academic coordinator. Alice McGrath will be the facilitator. The group will meet in Managua on August 4th; the first day of program is August 5th; the final day of program is August 13th. All accommodations (double occupancy), all meals, in-country bus transportation and program will be covered by a fee of $975.00. Bona fide students are entitled to a 10 percent discount. Flights to and from Managua are not included. For application/information contact Alice McGrath. P.O. Box 1782, Ventura CA 93002. Tel: (805) 648-4560. Fax: (805) 653-6359. E-mail: thorpub@silcom.com
STATUS OF VOLUNTARY SUPPORT TO DATE

Endowment Fund Grows to $451, 788!

In the Fall 1995 LASA Forum we reported to you that the LASA Endowment Fund totaled $371,751. In just over one year, thanks to the continued generous support of the LASA membership, and accumulated interest on the Fund, the combined Endowment Fund has grown to $451, 788. (Market value as reported 11/29/96.) This amount includes $57,348 in Life Member payments since the creation of the Fund, plus $28,086 in designated gifts, contributions from LASA of $5 per individual member and $25 per institutional member from 1994 through 1996, $150,000 transferred from LASA reserves to the Fund, and accumulated interest. (We will have a detailed report on incremental changes in all the above categories at the conclusion of the calendar/fund raising year. Look for it in the Spring issue of the Forum.)

In an attempt to seek broader ties for the Association, the LASA Executive Council approved the formation of the LASA Support Group, in an effort chaired by Peter Cleaves. This, along with continued work with foundations and a plan to seek corporate support, offers long-term promise for substantial growth in the Endowment.

In the short term, however, we are highly dependent upon the generosity and commitment of LASA members. The following table shows the number of individual and institutional members, as well as LASA friends, who have contributed at various levels. Categories reflect the accumulated gifts of each donor:

Donors in LASA giving categories
(Status as of 12/13/96)

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Since its creation the Endowment Fund has been supported by 778 donors. Many of these donors give repeatedly, and the number of actual gifts to the Fund totals 1391. Member support is a critical factor in attracting foundation and corporate funding. We hope that you will make an effort to become a donor—perhaps adding a contribution to your annual dues, as many members already have.

We also encourage those of you who can to become LASA Life Members. The cost of a Life Membership is $2,500. ($300 is held in reserve for printing of LASA publications over the life of the membership, and $2,200 is an outright gift to the Fund of choice.) Although the usual pattern is an initial commitment of $1,000 at the time of the pledge and three annual payments of $500 each, individual payment plans can be—and often have been—tailored to suit members' needs. (For more information on Life memberships, please contact the Secretariat at 412-648-1907.)

LASA Travel Fund

Fewer than four months ago LASA announced the creation of a Travel Fund, and included it as a check-off item on membership and congress preregistration forms. The Fund is intended to provide immediate and flexible funding to bring Latin American scholars to LASA International Congresses. In the short term the Fund has been in existence, 67 donors have contributed $1,836 for this purpose.

If you prefer this form of giving toward LASA's goal of ensuring a high level of Latin American participation at LASA congresses, please take advantage of the check-off when you renew or register for meetings. You may also send your contribution, marked "Travel Fund," directly to the Secretariat. LASA's Finance Committee is working hard to obtain funding for Latin American travel, primarily from foundations. But here, too, individual contributions demonstrate the commitment of the LASA membership to this goal.

Ford Foundation Provides Grant for PC Training Center/On-line Papers Project

We are very pleased that the Ford Foundation has funded a PC Training Center to increase the use of Internet resources, e-mail, and the Web for scholarly communication, and to place some 350 LASA97 papers on line. Please see information elsewhere in this issue about participation in Center activities and in the on-line papers project.
LASA VOLUNTARY SUPPORT

LASA has a new Life Member! Tamar Diana Wilson de García joins LASA's previous 33 Life Members in showing her commitment to the future of the Association and to the goals of the Endowment Campaign. Please accept our thanks, Dr. Wilson de García!

The newly-created LASA Travel Fund will provide support for Latin American scholars to participate in LASA97. The following donors—individual and institutional members and LASA friends—included a gift in their membership renewal for 1997 or congress preregistration, or responded to personal appeals on behalf of the Fund. Our grateful thanks to these donors to the LASA Travel Fund:

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Support for the Endowment Funds continues strong as well. Many members included a gift for the Fund of choice with their 1997 membership and/or preregistration; several others have generously designated their support for all three funds—General and Humanities Endowment, plus Travel. Our heartfelt thanks to these donors to the General Endowment Fund:

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**TASK FORCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND ACADEMIC FREEDOM SEE KS CUBA POLICY REVERSAL**

On October 30, 1996, Kevin J. Middlebrook and José Miguel Vivanco, co-chairs of LASA's Task Force on Human Rights and Academic Freedom, sent the following letter to Fernando Remírez, Cuban Interests Section, Washington, DC.

*The Latin American Studies Association's Task Force on Human Rights and Academic Freedom is committed to the internationally recognized principle of academic freedom, including the right to exchange ideas of all kinds, both orally and in writing.*

*On behalf of the Task Force, we wish to express our deep concern regarding apparent violations of academic freedom at two institutions of higher learning in Cuba.*

*The Latin American Studies Association (LASA) has repeatedly condemned the U.S. government's embargo against Cuba. Specifically, LASA has vigorously opposed U.S. government policies that restrict U.S. researchers' travel to Cuba and the free exchange of ideas between Cuban and U.S. scholars. Indeed, LASA has devoted substantial resources to promoting the participation of Cuban scholars in LASA-sponsored academic meetings in the United States. We draw to your attention LASA's record in these areas because we do not wish our expression of concern about recent apparent violations of academic freedom in Cuba to be interpreted as an endorsement of U.S. government policy toward your government.*

*The first case we wish to address involves two former faculty members at the Universidad de la Habana. We are informed that Professors Gloria León, former chair of the international section of the Department of History, and Miriam Gras, formerly a member of the Department of Political Science, have been dismissed from their positions because of the Cuban government's opposition to their ideas. If the information available to us is correct, these dismissals would constitute serious violations of academic freedom.*

*The second case involves books published by researchers at the Centro de Estudios sobre América (CEA). We are informed that Cuban government officials have blocked distribution of two recent CEA publications, La democracia en Cuba y el diferendo con los Estados Unidos and La participación en Cuba y los retos del futuro. We are concerned that limitations on the circulation of these books (or, far worse, their destruction) undermine the free flow of ideas that is the essence of academic freedom.*

*Our Task Force is concerned that your government's actions against these individuals is based on opposition to the content of their ideas, whether expressed orally or in writing. Similarly, your government's restrictions on the availability of the aforementioned publications apparently derive from oppositions to its subject matter. These punitive actions represent a threat to the free flow of information that is the essence of higher learning. In state-controlled institutions such as the Universidad de la Habana and the Centro de Estudios sobre América, the Cuban government has direct responsibility for ensuring academic freedom, both for staff and students. We urge the government of Cuba to review both of these cases. We ask that Professors León and Gras be restored to their former academic positions, and that the CEA publications listed here be permitted to circulate freely in Cuba and abroad. Thank you very much for your attention to these matters.*

Kevin J. Middlebrook  
Task Force Co-chair and Director,  
Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies

José Miguel Vivanco  
Task Force Co-chair and Executive Director  
Human Rights Watch/Americas
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Dartmouth College invites nominations and applications for an entry level, tenure-track position in Latino Studies to begin in the Fall term of the 1997 academic year. Candidates must have a primary social science research focus on Latino populations in the U.S. and a commitment to teaching Latino Studies within an undergraduate curriculum. The position will be a joint appointment in the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Program and a Social Science Department (Anthropology, Geography, History, Political Science, or Sociology). This appointment will enable the Program to add Latino Studies to its Latin American and Caribbean offerings. Ph.D. must be in hand or to be completed before September 1997. Nominations and applications should be sent to Marysa Navarro, Chair of Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Dartmouth College, 1 Reed Hall, Hanover, NH 03755. Review of applications began on January 15, 1997. Complete applications should include a letter of interest, a current résumé, three references, and relevant reprints. Dartmouth College is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

The University of Florida is pleased to solicit applicants and nominees for the Bacardi Family Emigrant Scholar Chair in Latin American Studies in the Center for Latin American Studies. The chair is filled one semester every year by a distinguished Latin Americanist specialist and compensated accordingly. Previous chairs have included Osvaldo Sunkel, Ernesto Medina, Carmen Diana Deere, and Franklin Pease García-Yrigoyen. Inquiries and nominations for 1997-98 and 1998-99 should be sent by March 1, 1997 to Dr. Helen I. Safa, Chair, Bacardi Scholar Advisory Committee, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida, PO Box 115530, Gainesville, FL 32611-5530. The University of Florida is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Institution.

The Latin American Studies Program of Gettysburg College invites applications for a social scientist to fill a one-semester sabbatical replacement in the Fall of 1997. We are seeking a dynamic teacher with a solid interdisciplinary background in economic, social, and political history of Latin America. Preference given to those with a completed Ph.D. and teaching experience. Send letter of application, c.v., and three letters of recommendation, at least one of which addresses the candidate’s teaching effectiveness, to Dr. Emilio Betances, Coordinator of Latin American Studies Program, Box 413, Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA 17325. Applications received by February 28, 1997 will receive full consideration. Gettysburg College, a highly selective liberal arts college, is an Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Employer, which offers among its benefits the Partner Assistance Program. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

The School of International Service of American University invites applicants and nominations for a tenure-track position in comparative race relations and culture, at the rank of Assistant Professor, to begin fall semester, 1997. Primary teaching responsibilities within the School’s field of comparative and regional studies will include courses on race, ethnicity, and theories of culture in comparative perspective, as well as the contextual role of race and culture in a particular region, preferably the Americas, the Middle East, or Russia/Central Eurasia (pending approval). Applicants should have a Ph.D. in Anthropology, Sociology, Political Science, International Relations, or Economics. Evidence of research accomplishments commensurate with rank, outstanding teaching, and professional initiative are expected, along with a commitment to professional and university service. Send letter of application, curriculum vitae, teaching evaluations, three letters of reference, and one representative publication to the CRS Search Committee, School of International Service, American University, Washington, DC 20016-8071. Consideration of nominations and applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled.

RESEARCH AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Sustainable Development and Peace in Guatemala and El Salvador: Comparisons, Contrasts, Lessons is an intensive two-week travel seminar providing participants the opportunity to observe first-hand the process of development in Guatemala and El Salvador. The trip is sponsored by Randolph-Macon Woman’s College (R-MWC) of Virginia in conjunction with the Center for Global Education (CGE) of Minneapolis, Minnesota. This seminar will focus on issues of development, especially with regard to the issue of sustainability. Of particular concern will be the impact of neo-liberal policies on indigenous populations. Development strategies implemented in El Salvador since the signing of the Peace Accords in 1992 will be examined. The development choices facing Guatemala as it approaches its own "post-conflict" period will be compared to the successes and failures experienced in post-war El Salvador. The roles of women in development will receive special attention. Visits to a number of communities will provide a glimpse into the day-to-day reality of women who perform not only the traditional roles of caregiver and homemaker, but also the roles of community leader, political and economic organizer, as well as primary provider; roles imposed upon them by societies heavily marked by inequality and oppression. The style of the seminar is intensive and experiential. Days will be full to include encounters with people and organizations representing many sectors of Guatemala and El Salvador, as well as opportunities for group reflection, analysis, and
THE FORD FOUNDATION
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The Ford Foundation is seeking to fill the following positions:

Program Officer, Governance and Civil Society - # SSA1: To develop and oversee a worldwide program aimed at reinforcing and strengthening democratic processes and institutions through enhancing participation in government and civil society in plural and diverse societies. The new portfolio will encompass grantmaking related to issues of diversity (race, ethnicity, language, gender and religion) and aim to enhance access to governmental power and decision-making. The program officer will also be responsible for stimulating research to develop new intellectual paradigms that recognize pluralism as a force for positive social change and help to identify political arrangements addressing the needs of a diverse society.

Required qualifications include: Advanced degree in social sciences, law or public policy; substantive experience working in developing countries, especially in government, foundation and non-governmental or international organizations; sound analytical and writing abilities and excellent interpersonal skills. Preferred qualifications include: training in comparative politics and experience with political structures and institutions in developing countries. Knowledge of and experience working in Africa is desirable. (Position available immediately.)

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La Universidad de Matanzas, Cuba, anuncia dos seminarios de posgrado en Ciencias Sociales programados para el 30 de mayo al 7 de junio, 1997. El curso “Imperialismo Cultural: Su Impacto en la Historiografía” se dirigirá a las escuelas de pensamiento en historiografía [whig, patriciana, positivista, idealista, materialista, feminista, indigenista entre otras] y sus vínculos con intereses culturales, proveyendo oportunidad de intercambiar perspectivas interdisciplinarias sobre el tema con fin de ampliar el conocimiento de los participantes. Se propiciará un espacio de preparación de un proyecto colaborativo para presentación en la sesión plenaria. El taller “Educación Popular y Alfabetización: Experiencias Comparadas” abrirá un espacio de reflexión, debate y profundización del conocimiento sobre educación popular y alfabetización en el siglo XX, concentrándose en los casos comparados de Cuba, Chile, Nicaragua y Grenada entre 1960 y 1985. La Educación Popular en América Latina y el Caribe nació de una coyuntura de condiciones socio-económicas reprimidas, culturas autóctonas amenazadas, luchas obreras y nuevas organizaciones de los sectores populares a fines del siglo XIX, estimulados por intelectuales como Elena Torres en México, en Argentina

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The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign/University of Chicago Joint Center for Latin American Studies announces its Summer Visiting Scholars Program for faculty from non-research US universities and colleges. Visiting Scholars research and write on a Latin American topic for one month at either the Urbana-Champaign and/or Chicago campus. Awards include $2500 for living expenses and up to $500 for travel. Submit letter of application, vitae, letter of reference, and project proposal (approx. 500 words) to Alan Kolata, Director, Center for Latin American Studies, 5854 S. University Ave., Chicago, IL 60637 by April 1. Tel: 773-702-8420. Fax: 773-702-1755. E-mail: elas@uchicago.edu.

The University of Wisconsin-Madison announces its 1997 NEH Summer Seminar for College Teachers, entitled “Nation, State and Cultural Pluralism,” to be held from June 16-August 8, 1997. A major transformation of the contemporary era is the rapid growth in the saliency of cultural pluralism in the political life of all regions of the world. Solidarities and social affinities rooted in ethnicity, language, race, religion, caste, or region interact with other modes of societal division to define patterns of conflict and cooperation. In recent years, the nation-state system as it emerged in the postwar world comes under challenge—witness the splintering of the former Soviet Union, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, and Ethiopia; genocidal tragedies in Rwanda and Bosnia; collapsed states in Afghanistan, Somalia and Liberia. The Seminar will explore the politics of identity from a broadly defined comparative perspective. We will consider major conceptual debates in the field, and review the primordialist, instrumentalist, and constructivist perspectives which have dominated theoretical discourse. Policy issues posed by multicultural societies will be examined, set in the context of the “third wave” of democratization in many parts of the world. Fifteen participants will be chosen on the basis of their ability both to benefit from and to contribute to the Seminar. Applications are welcome from those of any disciplinary background in some aspect of the Seminar subject. Stipends
of $4,000 for the eight-week Seminar are provided by the National Endowment for the Humanities. Applicants must be citizens or permanent residents of the United States. Application deadline is March 1, 1997. For application materials or more information, contact M. Crawford Young, Department of Political Science, North Hall, 1050 Bascom Mall, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI 53706. Tel: 608-263-2040. Fax: 608-265-2663. E-mail: neh@polisci.wisc.edu.

Latin America’s rich documentary heritage is crucial for those who would understand the region’s history and culture. Yet this heritage is at risk. The region can point with pride to a number of well-organized, fully-supported libraries and archives. In too many cases, though, scarce or unique materials are held by repositories that lack the means either to preserve their holdings or to make them fully available to scholars. The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, building upon initiatives by Spain’s Fundación Histórica Tavera and the concerns of a worldwide community of scholars and librarians, has addressed this dilemma through the “Program for Latin American Libraries and Archives.” This Program, established in 1996, is administered by Harvard University’s David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies. Its purpose is to strengthen the research base for Latin American Studies through small grants to Latin American archives and libraries that need special funding in order to improve the conditions under which their collections are kept or to expand access to their research holdings. Grants will be awarded in response to sharply focused formal applications which will be judged on a competitive basis. Initial funding, to extend over four years, will make about $80,000 in grant funds available each year through individual grants averaging between $5,000 and $10,000. Application deadlines are May 1, September 1, and December 1, through the Program’s four-year term. For full guidelines and application forms, contact Dan Hazen, Librarian for Latin America, Spain, and Portugal, Harvard College Library, Cambridge, MA 02138, U.S.A.

The David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies at Harvard University works to increase knowledge of the cultures, histories, environment and contemporary affairs of Latin America; foster cooperation and understanding among the people of the Americas; and contribute to democracy, social progress and sustainable development throughout the hemisphere. To focus its energies and achieve maximum results, the Center has provisionally chosen thematic priorities for special emphasis and has developed faculty working groups to devote particular attention to these areas. Thematic areas include economic and institutional reform, the environment, humanities and immigration. The Center is also expanding its scope to include areas of violence and ethnicity. The Center has recently established the Santo Domingo Visiting Fellowships in Andean Studies. This award is intended for researchers and scholars who wish to spend a semester at Harvard carrying out their own research projects. The Center is pleased to request applications from researchers and scholars working on Colombia or Ecuador who wish to spend a semester at Harvard as Santo Domingo Visiting Scholars in Andean Studies. Recipients of this award will be expected to spend a minimum of three months at the University and to devote themselves to a significant research project. Visiting Scholars are expected to present a lecture on the substance of their research and to be available for consultation with faculty, students and others at Harvard who are interested in their work. The Santo Domingo Visiting Scholar will receive a stipend of up to $15,000 and will enjoy full access to the resources of Harvard. Applicants are expected to have completed the doctorate or an equivalent level of academic preparation and must be fluent in English. Senior applicants must have substantial publication records. The Center is currently accepting applications from scholars who wish to come to Harvard for any period during academic year 1997-98. Applications should include a brief cover letter to the Executive Director, in English, indicating why the applicant would like to come to Harvard, and if possible specifying members of the faculty with whom the applicant might collaborate while in residence at Harvard; a curriculum vita not to exceed ten pages; two reference letters from individuals who can testify to the scholarly qualifications of the candidate and the importance of the proposed project; and a statement of up to 1000 words describing the research to be conducted during the period as a Visiting Scholar. All completed applications are reviewed by an interdisciplinary panel of Harvard faculty; decisions will be announced by the end of March 1997. For further information, or to apply, please contact the Santo Domingo Visiting Scholar Program, David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, Harvard University, 1737 Cambridge Street, Cambridge, MA 02148. Tel: 617-495-3366. Fax: 617-496-2802. E-mail: drclas@fas.harvard.edu.

The Smithsonian Institution and the Inter-University Program for Latino Research present the 1997 Latino Graduate Training Seminar in Qualitative Methodology and Fellowship Program, entitled “Interpreting Latino Cultures: Research and Museums.” The seminar is designed to bring Latina and Latino graduate students from across the country to work together with distinguished Latina and Latino faculty, Smithsonian professionals, and curators and archivists from other national collections. Participants will explore issues of qualitative research and the representation and interpretation of Latino cultures in museums and archival collections. The program intends to support the career development of Latina and Latino graduate students, and to expose students to research and career opportunities in museums and other public-oriented humanities institutions. The program aims, over time, to increase the number of Latinas and Latinos in institutions of higher education and museums. Latinas or Latinos (Puerto Rican, Cuban American, Mexican American, or other) currently enrolled in a Ph.D. program in a U.S. university are eligible to apply. The workshop will be limited to 15 participants. The seminar will be conducted June 16-June 27, 1996 at the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC. Students will visit various Smithsonian museums, tour exhibits and collections, and participate in panel discussions and presentations by Latina and Latino scholars and Smithsonian museum professionals. Visits to the National Archives and the Library of Congress are planned. Students may elect to
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The Latin American Program of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars announces the opening of competition for the 1997-98 academic year’s Junior Scholars Training Program. The program provides an opportunity for Latin American junior or mid-level scholars or practitioners, residing in Latin America and involved in public policy issues, to enhance their research and analytic skills through study at a public policy research or academic center in the United States. The objective of this program is to contribute to the design and practice of public policy in Latin America. Individuals at private research institutions, universities, or public institutions are invited to apply. Priority will be given to projects involving research on the themes of 1) governance and the formation of citizenship; 2) the social consequences of economic restructuring under democratic regimes, with a special focus on urban poverty; or 3) the redefinition of foreign policy and national security after the Cold War. Grantees will spend a brief orientation period at the Woodrow Wilson Center in Washington, D.C. They will then spend one academic semester at a major university in the United States, where they will continue their research under the guidance of a mentor known for his or her excellence in the field of study. At the conclusion of their university stay, grantees will return briefly to the Woodrow Wilson Center. Candidates must be citizens of a Latin American or Caribbean country and should have at least one university degree (but not a Ph.D. from a U.S. or European University); should be between the ages of twenty-five and forty-five; and should be capable of conducting research and participating in seminars in English. Affiliation with a research center or university, or explicit support from a government agency in Latin America is required. Currently enrolled students are not eligible. Completed applications, including all supporting material, must arrive at the Latin American Program by May 1, 1997. No faxed applications will be accepted. Four to six fellowships will be awarded. Grantees must be available to reside in the United States for five months from January to May 1998. For application requirements, contact the Woodrow Wilson Center, Latin American Program, 1000 Jefferson Drive SW, Washington, DC 20560. Tel: 202-357-1446. Fax: 202-357-4918. E-mail: wweem200@sivm.si.edu.

FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

BRASA (The Brazilian Studies Association) is calling for papers to be presented and panels to be proposed at the BRASA IV Conference, to be held at the Washington Marriott Hotel, November 13-16, 1997. BRASA in an international interdisciplinary group of scholars dedicated to the support of Brazilian studies in the areas of Anthropology, Art, Economics, Education, History, Language, Literature, Political Science, and Sociology. The theme of this conference is “identity and Globalization.” Panels will be divided into the following areas: 1) Political Economy, 2) Politics and SocialMovements, 3) Culture and Ideology, and 4) Family, Gender, and Demography. Proposals may be made (and papers presented) in either Portuguese or English. Please submit proposals by fax or letter; not by e-mail. The organizers will endeavor to integrate independent paper proposals in theme-based panels. The deadline for panel proposals is March 1, 1997 (postmarked by). Letters regarding acceptance of proposals will be sent beginning May 1, 1997. Confirmations of participation must be received by August 1, 1997. Special Air Fares available. For information on the BRASA IV Conference please contact the BRASA Secretariat, Latin American Institute, The University of New Mexico, 801 Yale NE, Albuquerque, NM 87131-1016. Tel: 505-277-2961. Fax: 505-277-5989. E-mail: rcote@unm.edu.

The Department of Romance Studies at Duke University will hold a conference on the post-colonial Caribbean from February 28 - March 1, 1997, “Is the Caribbean post-colonial? Is the post-colonial Caribbean? History, Topography and Theorizing in the Archipelago.” The conference will consist of several panels, comprising a cross-disciplinary appraisal of the Caribbean from literary, historical, political, theoretical and other perspectives. For more information, contact Marc Brudzinski at 919-683-3241 or email questions to caribbean-conference@acpub.duke.edu.

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locations of Hispanics in the Western hemisphere (Canada, the United States, Mexico, Central and South America, and the Spanish-speaking Caribbean). Notions of Hispanicity will be analyzed and discussed as they emerge from these particular cultural locations. You are invited to submit a proposal for papers (550 words) and/or panels (1500 words) on any aspect of the Hispanic experience related to one or more of the three core areas of the conference (social sciences, theoretical discourses, aesthetic/cultural productions). Proposals may be written in either Spanish or English. Abstracts on themes from one of these core areas will be given preference (the suggested list is not exhaustive). The deadline for submissions is April 15, 1997. For additional information, you may contact us at: Tel: 415-422-2940. Fax: 415-422-2517. E-mail: hispanic@usfca.edu. Website: usfca.edu/events/hispanics_and_US.

The forty-second Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials (SALALM) will be held in Rockville, Maryland (Washington, DC) on May 17-22, 1997, cohosted by the Library of Congress (Directorate of Acquisition and Support Services, the Hispanic Division, and the Hispanic Cultural Society) and the Oliveira Lima Library of the Catholic University of America. “Religion and Latin America in the Twenty-First Century: Libraries Reacting to Social Change” is the conference theme. Latin America is presently experiencing a momentous religious transformation. The Catholic Church is endeavoring to adjust to new political and social climates whereas evangelical churches are meeting with tremendous conversion success. Afro-American and Indian religions are experiencing success not only with traditional populations but also among the middle and upper classes. Significant changes in the religious environment of Latin America during the past twenty years have created a dynamic religious climate as the region moves into the twenty-first century. The conference will focus on how libraries must react to a changing research environment. Presentations by major scholars, clergy, librarians, publishers and booksellers from Latin America, the United States, and Europe will focus on how libraries and librarians can service the needs of Latin American scholars of religion. Those interested in presenting papers are invited to submit proposals to Mark L. Grover, President, SALALM; 4148 HBLL, Brigham Young University; Provo, Utah 84602. Tel: 801-378-2473. Fax: 801-378-6708. E-mail: mark_grover@byu.edu. Contact Mark Grover for program content information. Invitations and registration materials will be available in January 1997 from the SALALM Secretariat. Details on local arrangements are available from Terry C. Peet, Coordinator, Hispanic Acquisitions Program (E&G); Library of Congress; Washington, DC 20540-4270. Tel: 202-707-9480. Fax: 202-707-5236. E-mail: peet@mail.loc.gov.

The Consejo Académico Iberoamericano at the University of Valladolid announces its IX Conferencia Internacional sobre Conservación de Centros Históricos y del Patrimonio Edificado, to be held July 7-11, 1997 at the Palacio de Congresos Conde Ansúrez in Valladolid. The title of the conference will be “Conservación y Tratamiento del Espacio Urbano, Paisajístico, Natural y Productivo.” For more information, contact the Instituto de Urbanística de la Universidad de Valladolid, Escuela Técnica Superior de Arquitectura, Avda. de Salamanca, s/n 47014 Valladolid. Tel: 983-42-34-65. Fax: 983-42-34-39.

Southern Connecticut State University announces a call for papers for its IX Conferencia Internacional sobre Conservación de Centros Históricos y del Patrimonio Edificado, to be held July 7-11, 1997 at the Palacio de Congresos Conde Ansúrez in Valladolid. The title of the conference will be “Conservación y Tratamiento del Espacio Urbano, Paisajístico, Natural y Productivo.” For more information, contact the Instituto de Urbanística de the Universidad de Valladolid, Escuela Técnica Superior de Arquitectura, Avda. de Salamanca, s/n 47014 Valladolid. Tel: 983-42-34-65. Fax: 983-42-34-39.

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