

University of Kentucky Latin American, Caribbean, and Latino Studies Program Travel Grants for Research in Latin America and the Caribbean

The Latin American Studies Program invites UK Graduate Students to apply for Summer Travel Grants for research in Latin America and the Caribbean on Latin American and Caribbean studies topics. The primary purpose of these grants is to enable students to pursue intensive research on a topic related to the doctoral dissertation. Applications for exploratory, intermediate as well as consolidating stages of the project are welcome. Applications are judged on the basis of the quality of the proposal, the student's academic standing, and the relationship of the proposed travel and summer research to the student's long term academic and professional goals. We encourage everyone to apply; however, depending on the number of applications received, priority will be given to students who have not received these grants in the last two years.

Grants are intended to contribute to the costs of airfare, lodging and minimal research expenses. It is expected that successful applicants will spend no less than three weeks in-country. On their return from Latin America or Caribbean, grantees are required to submit a two-page report detailing research accomplishment under the terms of the grant and an expense report. Grantees are also required to present their research results at a seminar or roundtable discussion in the 2013-2014 academic year or participation in the Latin American Studies Graduate Students Symposium if organized that year.

Applications consist of:

- 1) A completed application form (enclosed)
- 2) A two-page proposal (double space, Times New Roman, 12 p). Please no more than two pages. This proposal must provide the following information:
 - Description of the project
 - Research methodologies to be used
 - Relationship of the project to the student's academic and professional goals
 - The student's preparation for the project, including a list of relevant course work and evidence of their language skills.
- 3) A budget for the project (including estimated airfare, lodging, sustenance, in-country travel, and research expenses). Please highlight how you intend to use funding from LAS.
- 4) An unofficial copy of the student's transcript.
- 5) A letter of recommendation from their dissertation advisor

Deadline for receipt of applications is **Friday March 29, 2013**

(No exceptions/no extensions).

Please send materials to Dr. Carmen Martinez Novo, Director of Latin American Studies, 211 Lafferty Hall.

If submitting via e-mail, please PDF documents into a single document and send to carmen.martinez@uky.edu.

Hard copies of applications are preferred.

Application for a Travel Grant for Research in Latin America

Name _____ Date: _____
Dissertation (Tentative) Title _____ Purpose of travel and destination _____
Home Address _____ Home _____
Phone _____ UK Phone _____
Email _____ Department _____ Advisor _____
_____ Language Abilities (Indicate whether basic, intermediate, fluent, or native speaker.)
Spanish _____ Portuguese _____ French _____ Native Language of Latin America _____
Signature _____ Date _____

Application Checklist

Please make sure you have included all of the following materials in your application. Your application will not be considered if any of this information is missing.

1. ___ Completed application form
2. ___ Proposal
3. ___ Unofficial Transcript
4. ___ Letter of recommendation

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