Latin American Studies Newsletter

Upcoming Events & Opportunities at UM

5 YEARS POST-HAITI EARTHQUAKE
WORLD BANK REPORT

October 14, 2015 12:30-2:00 PM  Reception to Follow
UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI
SCHOOL OF COMMUNICATION INTERNATIONAL BUILDING ROOM 3053

Join us as the World Bank Lead Economist for Haiti, Raju Singh, shares the findings of a new report "Haiti: Towards a new narrative" which examines key opportunities and constraints to faster sustainable and inclusive growth in the country. To read the full report, click on: https://documents.worldbank.org/curated/en/2015/06/2463014/Haiti-towards-new-narrative-systematic-country-diagnosis

University of Miami invites you to take part in interactive academic forum:
(1) Examine Haiti’s post-earthquake reconstruction
(2) Assess the perception and evidence of the efficiency and effectiveness of foreign aid efforts five years later

Welcome by Dean Bachas College of Arts & Science & Dean Shepherd School of Communication with special message from Dr. Felicia Knaul, Director of Miami Institute for the Americas

To reserve a seat contact Dina Mouleskova, Department of International Studies, d.mouleskova@umiami.edu

The Institute for Cuban and Cuban-American Studies (ICCAS) will offer its fall 2015 certificate program in Cuban Studies, an intensive two-week program designed for professionals and others interested in Cuba, beginning on Monday, October 12, and continuing for seven evening sessions through Thursday, October 22, at Casa Bacardi, 1531 Brescia Avenue, on the Coral Gables campus. To enroll, call 305-284-4875 or email iccas@miami.edu or ctp.iccas@miami.edu. You can also see more at E-veritas

The Center for Hemispheric Policy will host the panel discussion, "Brazil: What Are the Lessons of the Current Crisis? Will They Be Learned?" on Thursday, October 22, from 8 to 10 a.m. at the Hyatt Regency Coral Gables, 50 Alhambra Plaza, Coral Gables. Panelists will include Armando Castelar, coordinator of applied economic research, Instituto Brasileiro de Economia (IBRE), Fundação Getulio Vargas, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil; Paulo Sotero, director, Brazil Institute, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C.; and Joel Velasco, senior vice president, Albright Stonebridge Group, Washington, D.C. The cost is $40; faculty and students receive free admission with a valid ID. RSVP to chp-rsvp@miami.edu. For more information, call Jennifer Cordova at 305-284-3708, or visit miami.edu/chp.

October 6th, 2015

LAS Happenings

• On September 22nd, faculty from across the university came together to welcome Dr. Felicia Knaul as new Director of the Miami Institute for the Americas (MIA) at a special luncheon. Faculty and staff had the opportunity to greet Dr. Knaul and provide feedback about future directions for MIA.

• The Fourteenth Annual Majors & Minors Fair was held on Monday, September 28th, 2015 from 3:00-6:00pm in the Donna E. Shalala Student Center Ballrooms West and Center. We had a blast talking to prospective students interested in the LAS minor, major and Fellows in Latin American Studies (FILAS) programs!
**Announcements:**

- Interested in applying to the Fellows in Latin American Studies (FILAS) Program? Act fast, the application deadline for this academic year is coming up on December 1st!

- Do you have any cool photos from Latin America that you are dying to share with the rest of the world? Send us photos with your name, email and caption and we could feature you and your photos for LAS related promotional materials! Email all submissions to las-grad@miami.edu

- The UM Office of Undergraduate Research would like to remind students to utilize their office if interested in finding a research mentor. Follow this link to learn more about how to apply.

- Don’t forget to take a look at the Toppel Career Center’s calendar for their career education series.

**Jobs, Internships, & Other Opportunities for Students**

- Oklahoma State University is offering a study abroad program from March 12-19, 2016. The program is ideal for: Spanish language majors or minors and students interested in social sciences, history, sustainability or environmental issues. Contact Dr. Dale Lightfoot (d.lightfoot@okstate.edu) or Dr. Jon Comer (jon.comer@okstate.edu) OSU Department of Geography for more info.

- Dr. Pumar is looking for outgoing Spanish and English speakers to administer a survey at Miami International Airport for the purpose of assessing perceptions of water quality from recent travelers to the country. Travel time, from, and at MIA will be covered. Times are flexible. $10 per hour. For more information contact Professor Helena Sologub via hmsolo@miami.edu

- The Green Corps are looking for 35 college grads nationwide to join their team! During their one year paid training, you will learn grassroots organizing skills, along with how to recruit volunteers, develop strategic campaigns & build strong coalitions. Act soon, the deadline is October 11th. Apply today or contact Margaret Kran-Annexstein, Astnt Organizing Director at 513-886-0879.

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