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From its home in the historic Bolivar House on the Palo Alto, California campus of Stanford University, the Center for Latin American Studies strives to cultivate teaching, learning, and research in all fields of study as they relate to Latin America, by offering academic programs for students, coordinating a range of academic conferences and lectures that span varied geographic regions and diverse academic disciplines, and providing funding for interdisciplinary research by students and faculty.

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a letter



This has been a very active year for the Center for Latin American Studies. Our third class of MA students is now two-thirds through their program and has proven to be a very strong and diverse group. We have now fully returned to a normal academic rhythm with an ever-increasing number of applicants for each year's MA admissions. Outstanding applications from both North and South America, as well as Europe and East Asia, have enabled us to expand our group of foreign students in each class. In our first two classes we had Venezuelan and Peruvian students, this year we added one from Argentina, and next year's class will include students from Peru and Argentina.

This year we also appointed two new staff members, both of whom have proved extremely effective. Emily Davis, who has a BA and an MA in Spanish literature from Brigham Young University, has replaced Geraldine Slean, who abandoned us for medical school at UCSF/Berkeley. Angela Doria-La, who holds a BA in international studies and economics from Seattle University, has replaced Omar Ochoa as our business manager. Both of these new appointees are now well into their second quarter at Stanford and have proven to be excellent additions to our staff, so much so that our current operations are the most efficient we have had in my five years as director.

While economic constraints have led us to cut next year's symposium funds, this year we were able to fund a series of highly successful conferences. In March we supported an extremely lively international

from the director

conference led by biology professor Rodolfo Dirzo and Tinker Visiting Professor Mauro Galetti on “Living in a Defaunated World: Consequences for Plant-Animal Interactions,” which dealt with the decline of predator animals all over the world and its impact on plant survival. A highly successful conference on documentary film, organized by Dr. Jorge Ruffinelli of the newly renamed Department of Iberian and Latin American Cultures (previously known as the Department of Spanish and Portuguese), took place in April. Later this spring we will host a conference on “Latin America and the Caribbean: Institutions, Human Capital, and Natural Resources” being organized by our Tinker Visiting Professor Ernesto Schargrodsky of the Universidad Torcuato Di Tella. We have also had an outstanding group of weekly lecturers, some 35 or so this year, with a continual increase in audience attendance. Our typical Tuesday lecture now draws an average audience of at least 20 persons including students, faculty and members of the community, and some Tuesdays find our seminar room overflowing with upwards of 40 attendees.

The Center hosted an extraordinary seven Tinker Visiting Professor appointments in the academic year 2008-2009, our largest group ever. They include the Chilean economist Alexander Galetovic from the Universidad de los Andes in Santiago de Chile; the Dean of the Business School of Di Tella University, Ernesto Schargrodsky; the Brazilian economist Sonia Rocha, formerly of IPEA, who works on income inequality and

poverty; the Peruvian social historian Maria Emma Mannarelli from the Universidad de San Marcos; the Spanish moral philosopher José Luis Villacañas Berlanga from the Universidad de Murcia; the Brazilian ecologist Mauro Galetti from UNESP; and the Argentine mathematician Juan Tirao from the Universidad de Córdoba. Finally, our visiting Nabuco fellow this year was Hebe Mattos, who is a leading social historian of slavery and race relations from the Univerisdade Federal Fluminense in Niterói.

Our extended faculty group has also expanded this year. We are fortunate to have five new affiliated faculty this year: Professors Héctor Hoyos and Marília Librandi Rocha of Iberian and Latin American Cultures, Tomás Jiménez of Sociology, Gary Segura of Political Science, and Sergio Stone of the Robert Crown Law Library.

Unfortunately, we have lost faculty as well. Emeritus Professor of Economics Clark W. Reynolds passed away on March 9, after a long battle with pulmonary fibrosis, and Professor Susan Cashion retired from the Drama Department.

Though the economic crisis is affecting our budget, being one of the oldest area studies centers on campus has meant that we have been less affected than most of the other regional institutes. We were also able to add a new grant to our previous funding for undergraduate summer internships in Latin America this year. Stanford alumna Ana Paula Pessoa and her husband Raul Trejos have generously established a summer internship program to send Stanford students to Brazil.

This is the fourth year of the Monica Miller Walsh Summer Internship Program named after alum Monica Miller Walsh and her husband David Walsh. Since the program’s inception in 2004, thanks in great part to the Walshes, we have been able to award grants to 23 undergraduate students to take on independent internships in Guatemala, Argentina, Ecuador, Chile, Nicaragua, Bolivia, Venezuela, Peru, Mexico, and El Salvador.

Finally, I could not end this letter without thanking our Associate Director, Megan Gorman. She remains extraordinarily popular with staff, students, faculty, and administrators for the obvious reason that she is able to resolve all conflicts, produce consistent results, and keep the Center running at the highest level. Her extraordinary optimism guarantees that a solution can always be found.

Herbert S. Klein

Director of CLAS
Professor of History
Senior Hoover Fellow

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speaking of latin america:

September 25, 2007

Dr. CELIA CUSSEN

The Saint and His City: Martin of Porres in Seventeenth-Century Lima

October 2, 2007

THOMAS O'KEEFE

Separating Truth from Fiction in a New Era of Latin American Trade Pacts

October 9, 2007

ELIANE KARP DE TOLEDO

Indigenous Resistance to and Participation in the Formation of Latin American Democracy

October 11, 2007

TYLER BRIDGES

In the Wake of Destruction: The Aftermath of the Peru Earthquake

October 16, 2007

Dr. MARK THURBER

PEMEX, Petrobras, and PDVSA: Three Very Different Latin American Oil Companies

October 23, 2007

Dr. SHAWN MILLER

Brazil's Colonial Monopolies and Their Unintentional Role in Conserving Resources

October 24, 2007

Dr. ROSA GARIBALDI DE MENDOZA

Support from the Peruvian Corpancho Mission to the Benito Juarez Government

October 30, 2007

JUAN DE RECACOECHEA

American Visa and the Birth of the Bolivian Crime Novel

November 6, 2007

Dr. JACQUELINE ADAMS

Art for Democracy in Pinochet's Chile

November 13, 2007

Dr. DOMINGO CAVALLO with Dr.

WILLIAM RATLIFF and Dr. JOHN TAYLOR
Argentina after the Hyperinflation

November 27, 2007

Dr. CLARA NICHOLLS

Challenges and Opportunities for Agroecology and Rural Development in Latin America

December 4, 2007

Dr. DAVID REHER

Addressing the Challenges of Migration in Spain Today: The 2007 National Immigrant Survey

December 5, 2007

Dr. K. DAVID HARRISON

When Languages Die: Tracking Global and Local Trends of Language Extinction

January 15, 2008

Dr. MARIZA SOARES

Transplanted Africans and the Catholic Church: The Inquisition and the Black Brotherhoods in 18th-Century Brazil

January 22, 2008

Dr. KARINA GALPERÍN

Ercilla's "La Araucana" and the Critique of Empire

January 29, 2008

Dr. CHARLES WALKER

Fear Behind the Lines: Priests and Treachery in the Tupac Amaru Rebellion (1780-1783)

January 30, 2008

Dr. MIEKO NISHIDA

Whites with Slanted Eyes: Japanese Brazilians and Their Changing Identities in São Paulo

February 4, 2008

Dr. DAIN BORGES

Residential Segregation in Brazilian Cities around 1872

February 5, 2008

Dr. JOSÉ CARLOS FAJARDO

Trayectoria Política Indígena en los Países Centroandinos

February 12, 2008

Dr. EDWARD MIGUEL

The Price of Political Opposition: Evidence from Venezuela's Maisanta

February 19, 2008

Dr. MARÍA CHRISTINA ROJAS

Colombia's Regime of Governance 2002-2006: Securitization, Dispossession and Resistance

February 21, 2008

JENNIE POPP

Language Attitudes and Mapuche Bilingual Education Policies in Nueva Imperial, Chile

February 26, 2008

Dr. ERNESTO SCHARGRODSKY

Four Crime Papers

March 4, 2008

Dr. GUILLERMO SOLÓRZANO

Materials Research and Education in Brazil

March 7, 2008

Dr. RICARDO PAES DE BARROS

The Changing Dynamics of Inequality in Brazil: Policy or Markets?

April 8, 2008

Dr. JAMES GREEN

We Cannot Remain Silent: Opposition to the Brazilian Dictatorship in the United States, 1964-85

tuesday lecture series and other highlights

April 15, 2008

Dr. FAVIOLA RIVERA CASTRO

The Legacy of Liberalism in Mexico

April 29, 2008

Dr. CARLOS COSTA RIBEIRO

Inequality of Educational Opportunity
and Educational Expansion in Brazil

May 6, 2008

Dr. LILA CAIMARI

Crime and Society in Interwar
Buenos Aires

May 7, 2008

Dr. CECILIA TAIANA

Ontologies at War: The Disappearance, Incarceration and Exile of Psychologists/Psychoanalysts During the Last Argentinean Dictatorship (1976-83)

May 13, 2008

Dr. ESTELLE TARICA

Through the Looking Glass: Revolutionary Passages in Mestizo Bolivia, 1952

May 14, 2008

Dr. SARA CASTRO-KLAREN

Cuzco Evoked: Travel & Archaeology in 19th-Century Peru

May 20, 2008

Dr. ANA MARÍA GONZALES DE TOBIA

Classics in Latin American Countries

May 27, 2008

Dr. SILVIA E. GIORGULI

The Incorporation of Mexicans into the U.S. Labor Market and the Management of International Migration

May 27, 2008

Dr. ANNETTE SANTOS DEL REAL

An Overview of the Progress in Assessment and Evaluation of Education in Mexico

June 2, 2008

Dr. JOSÉ LUIS LEZAMA

The Social and Political Construction of Environment: Air Pollution in the Mexico Megacity



faculty grants: panel discussions,

During the 2007-2008 year, CLAS was able to sponsor several faculty-organized conferences and panel discussions. These events brought together leading scholars and prominent practitioners; renowned and up-and-coming artists; students, faculty, and aspiring Latin Americanists in collaboration and conversation on a wide variety of themes.

International Seminar on Latin American Liberalism

December 4-5, 2007
Stanford Santiago Center (Bing Overseas Studies), Santiago, Chile

Organizer: IVÁN JAKSIC, Director, Stanford Program in Santiago

Participants: JOSÉ ANTONIO AGUILAR (Mexico), EDUARDO POSADA CARBÓ (Colombia), CARMEN McEVOY (Peru), PAULA ALONSO and MARCELA TERNAVASIO (Argentina), TOMÁS STARAKA (Venezuela) and SOL SERRANO (Chile)

The scholars presented an overview of the history of liberalism in their respective countries, identified the major influences, issues, and authors, and gave an account of its legacies. Many Stanford students attended the seminar and had the chance to meet the scholars informally at the reception following. Stanford student NINA FEINBERG commented: "I was so grateful for the opportunity to witness a seminar led by such intelligent individuals, all from distinct cultural and intellectual backgrounds. This experience alone is enough for me to recommend something similar to future students in the Santiago Program."

Increasing Access to Water by the Poor in Latin America: Institutional Innovations, Networks and Small Scale Providers

January 18-19, 2008
Stanford University

Organizers: LEONARD ORTOLANO, Civil and Environmental Engineering; JENNA DAVIS, Civil and Environmental Engineering, Woods Institute for the Environment; PAM MATSON, Woods Institute, School of Earth Sciences

Presenters: JUDY BAKER (World Bank), NICOLÁS CHA (Universidad de Tres de Febrero, Argentina), JENNA DAVIS (Stanford), REBECA HWANG (PhD Candidate, Stanford), ELLEN McCULLOUGH (Food and Agriculture Organization), LEONARD ORTOLANO (Stanford), GUSTAVO SALTIEL (World Bank)

The objective of the workshop was to foster collaboration and dialogue among scholars and practitioners who are working toward solutions to the problem of lack of access to safe water and sanitation in low-income communities in Latin America. Topics addressed included the role of social networks and social capital in improving access to water by communities in Argentina, the impact of intermediary organizations on water resource allocation, and a report on the diffusion and marketing of a low-cost water filter technology that was deployed in Mexico. Funds were used conservatively in order to facilitate a follow-up conference in Argentina in late 2008.

Re-Imagining Latin American History as Iberian History

April 5, 2008;
Stanford University

Organizer: TAMAR HERZOG, History

Participants: JOSÉ JAVIER RUIZ IBÁÑEZ (Universidad de Murcia, Spain), PEDRO CARDIM (Universidad Nova, Lisbon), GAETANO SABATINI (Università Roma III, Italy), TAMAR HERZOG (Stanford)

The panelists discussed the advantages and disadvantages of approaching colonial Latin American history in light of the presence during the early modern period of the large political structure known as "the Spanish Monarchy," which included Spain, Latin America, sometimes Portugal, and numerous other territories in Europe, Asia, and Africa. They concluded that considering the greater extension of the political community is, though a daunting mission, essential and illuminating of Latin American history.

Curanderismo in Northern Peru

April 24, 2008
Stanford University

JOHN RICK, Associate Professor of Anthropology, Stanford
Looking at Shamanism in the Past: Lessons from Chavín de Huántar, Peru

DOUGLAS SHARON, Ex-Director, Phoebe Apperson Hearst Museum of Anthropology, University of California, Berkeley
North Peruvian Curers' Altars in a Latin American Context

conferences, summer courses

LUIS MILLONES, Professor Emeritus of Anthropology, Universidad de Huamanga, Ayacucho, Peru
Where is Hell?: Current Beliefs of Northern Peruvian Shamans

RAINER BUSSMAN, William L. Brown Curator of Economic Botany, Missouri Botanical Garden
Medicinal Magic: Tracking two thousand years of medicinal plant use in Northern Peru

The Challenge of Indigenous Peoples in the Democratic Agenda of Latin America Today

May 22, 2008
Stanford University

Organizers: ELIANE KARP DE TOLEDO (Stanford), MARYKATE HANLON (MA Candidate in LAS, Stanford)

Participants: RICARDO CALLA, former Minister of Indigenous Affairs and First Nations, Bolivia, and Professor of Social Sciences, University of the Cordillera, La Paz, Bolivia;

LUIS EDUARDO MALDONADO RUIZ, former Minister of Social Well-being and

President of the School of Government and Public Policy, Ecuador;

ALICIA GONZÁLEZ CERECEDO, Researcher in Anthropology, University of Veracruz, Mexico, and Technical Secretary of Indigenous Advisory of the National Executive Board, Institutional Revolutionary Party, PRI, Mexico

ELIANE KARP DE TOLEDO, former first lady of Peru and Lecturer, Anthropology, Stanford

Representatives of academic institutions and multi-lateral development agencies from the U.S., Bolivia, Ecuador, Mexico, and Peru participated in a workshop to reflect on the experiences of indigenous peoples with respect to the process of democratization, particularly in light of updates since the 2006 CAF publication "Los Pueblos Indígenas en la Agenda Democrática: Estudios del caso de Bolivia, Ecuador, México, y Perú." The workshop was accompanied by a public forum address by Carlos Mesa, former President of Bolivia, on the topic of "The Social Inclusion of Indigenous Peoples: The

Challenge of Democracy Today in the Andean Region."

Co-sponsored by the Corporación Andina de Fomento (CAF)

El y Elle: Recordando a Mercedes Pinto/Retrospectiva Valeria Sarmiento

May 27-29, 2008
Stanford University

Participants: ROBERTO BRODSKY (Georgetown University) JULIANNE BURTON (University of California, Santa Cruz) ALICIA LLARENA (Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria), PAULO ANTONIO PARANAGUÁ (Film critic), GUSTAVO ROJO (Actor and son of Mercedes Pinto), VALERIA SARMIENTO (Filmmaker), CRISTIÁN SÁNCHEZ (Filmmaker and Tinker Visiting Professor), PATRICIA TORRES SAN MARTÍN (Universidad de Guadalajara, Mexico)

Co-sponsored by the Department of Spanish and Portuguese (now known as the Department of Iberian and Latin American Cultures).

México contemporáneo 2008

Summer Course Preparation Grant
July 9-11, 2008
Colegio de México, Mexico City

ANA M. SIERRA, Lecturer at the Stanford Language Center, completed four courses: "Transición mexicana a la democracia," "Antropología del arte e historia cultural de México," "Temas críticos en la agenda México-Estados Unidos," and "Las relaciones internacionales de México de 1990 a la fecha." She has been able to incorporate material from the summer course into her regular Spanish language classes.



workshops for students

Career Development Workshop Series

October 12, 2007

SAM RODRIGUEZ on CDC Resources

October 19, 2007

STEPHANIE EBERLE, CDC, on Non-academic Jobs & Internships

October 26, 2007

SAM RODRIGUEZ, CDC, with LEN MATERMAN, Center on Ecotourism and Sustainable Development, on Resumes and Cover Letters for International Jobs

November 2, 2007

SAM RODRIGUEZ on Job Interviews

November 9, 2007

SAM RODRIGUEZ with Dr. DAVID ABERNETHY, Professor Emeritus, Political Science, on Networking and Informational Interviewing

November 30, 2007

Alumni Career Panel, with: BEATRIZ DE LA MORA, Research Mobilization Specialist, United Nations Population Fund; DIANA DERYCZ-KESLER, CEO and Owner, Los Angeles Film School and Los Angeles Recording School; SEBASTIAN SAIEGH, Assistant Professor of Political Science, UC San Diego

Cooking Demonstrations

Noche de Paella

November 29, 2007

JOSÉ LUIS RELINQUE, Chef at Iberia Restaurant in Menlo Park

Taste of Peru

May 13, 2008

Papas a la huancaína by GERRY SLEAN
Pisco sour by DANIELLE LOSTAUNAU

Skills Workshop Series

February 15, 2008

Dr. HERBERT KLEIN, Professor of History, on Research Design Basics in Developing Countries

February 22, 2008

Dr. KRISTI WILSON, Hume Writing Center, on Grant Writing Basics

February 29, 2008

Dr. DOREE ALLEN, Center for Teaching and Learning, on Preparing and Delivering Effective Presentations



alumni news

DENIS BENCHIMOL MINEV (1998) married Anne Jezini in December 2008. He has been serving as Secretary of Planning and Economic Development in the state of Amazonas, Brazil for the last three years and is currently leading the city of Manaus' campaign to host the 2014 Soccer World Cup.

STEPHANIE MARGARET EARLY (Honors in LAS 2005), following graduation from Harvard Law School this June, will head to Washington, DC to work at White & Case. She recently spent several weeks in Buenos Aires researching constitutional reform and its impact on public interest lawyers, and she hopes to work on international investment arbitration cases involving Latin American countries.

Since November 2007, **ALBERTO GARCIA** (MA 2007) has been working as a project recruiter/field interviewer for the UC Davis California Families Project, an educational research project studying families of Mexican origin in the Sacramento region. He will begin a PhD in History at University of California, Berkeley this fall.

LUKE GARROTT (BA 1989) is a lecturer in Political Theory at the University of Utah since 1998, and he was elected to the Salt Lake City Council in 2007.

Currently residing in Atlanta, **FABIOLA PUERTA** (MA 2007) is a copyeditor for the prime time shift of CNN en Español.

DANA M. HORNBEAK (Honors in LAS 2005) is having a wonderful time in Singapore, learning about the diverse cultures, languages, and demographics of the region, and completing a year of genetics research as a Fulbright Scholar. In May 2009 she



will return to the US to complete her final year at Duke Medical School, followed by ophthalmology residency beginning in June 2010.

MARIO JALES (MA 2000) is currently pursuing a PhD in Applied Economics at Cornell University.

A PhD candidate in Geography at the University of California, Santa Barbara, **AMY LERNER** (Minor in LAS 2000) focuses on rural-urban transitions, food security, and Latin America. Her dissertation addresses urbanization and maize production on the outskirts of Mexico City.

GERARDO MUNCK has been promoted to full professor in the School of International Relations at the University of Southern California. His book, *Measuring Democracy: A Bridge Between Scholarship and Politics*, was just published by Johns Hopkins University Press.

ARACELI ORTIZ (MA 2008) can currently be found in Colorado Springs, working for the United States Golf Association Grants Office, getting better at skiing, trying to improve her golf game, and tutoring at a local elementary school. She will return to Stanford in September 2010 to begin

an MBA at the Graduate School of Business.

JAIME PAIVA (2000) is a Political and Economic Advisor at the American Embassy in Asunción, Paraguay.

LAUREN M. PHILLIPS (BA 2000) is an Assistant Professor of International Political Economy at the London School of Economics. Her current research is on the perception of political risk and its impact on financial market performance in Latin America, and she hopes to start a new project soon on the construction of Brazil as an "emerging power." She recently contributed a chapter on Brazil to a forthcoming book entitled *Dilemmas in Democracy*. She has been living in Europe since 2002, when she started her PhD at the LSE, and is married with a one year old son.

Following graduation from Stanford, **STEPHANIE MIRANDA PRIES** (MA 1992) worked at the Institute for International Education for three years before attending Santa Clara University School of Law (JD 1998). She is currently Director of Investment Legal Affairs at the University of Notre Dame's Investment Office, residing in South Bend, Indiana with her husband Michael and two sons.

faculty news

Selected Faculty Publications and Awards

Cuba's Academic Advantage, by **MARTIN CARNOY** with Jeffrey Marshall and Amber Gove, was published by Stanford University Press in 2007.

Fundamentos de Conservación Biológica: Perspectivas Latinoamericanas, co-edited by **RODOLFO DIRZO**, was reprinted by Fondo de Cultura Económica in December 2007 and became available in the US in 2008. Dr. Dirzo also received a grant from the Stanford K-12 Initiative to run a Pilot Project on Education for under-represented students, mostly of Latin American origin. The program, "Ecology: Learning by Doing and Making a Difference" has been a great success.

HÉCTOR HOYOS joined the faculty of the Department of Iberian and Latin American Cultures in September 2008. His article, "La poesía de los objetos y la trayectoria: una lectura comparada y política de Doce cuentos peregrinos," was published in *Literatura, prácticas críticas y transformación cultural: JALLA Bogotá*. Bogotá: Ediciones Uniandes, Editorial Pontificia Universidad Javeriana y Ediciones Universidad Nacional de Colombia, 2008. I: 423-438.

Mexico Since 1980, by **HERBERT KLEIN** and **STEPHEN HABER** with Noel Maurer and Kevin J. Middlebrook, was published by Cambridge University Press in August 2008.

During the 2007-2008 year, **ADRIAN LEW** was granted the NSF Career Award and an ONR Young Investigator Award.

BEATRIZ MAGALONI's book, *Voting for Autocracy*, won the Comparative Democratization Award and the 2008 Leon Epstein Award, given for the best book written in the previous two years on political parties and organizations.

HAL MOONEY was honored with three major awards during the 2007-2008 academic year: the Ramon Margalef Prize in Ecology and Environmental Sciences, November 2007; the BBVA Foundation Award for Scientific Research in Ecology and Conservation Biology (shared with Peter Raven of the Missouri Botanical Garden), February 2008; and the Tyler Prize for Environmental Achievement (along with James Galloway from the University of Virginia), April 2008.

ANNE FIRTH MURRAY's book, *From Outrage to Courage: Women Taking Action for Health and Justice*, was published by Common Courage Press, Maine, in 2008.

ROGER NOLL's recent publications include:
- "Comment: Housing Subsidies and Homeowners." Brookings/Wharton Papers on Urban Affairs 2007, Gary Burtless and Janet Rothenberg Pack, eds. Brookings Institution, 2007.
- "The Political Economy of Law," co-authors Mathew D. McCubbins and Barry R. Weingast. In Handbook of Law and Economics, A. Mitchell Polinsky and Steven Shavell, eds. North-Holland Publishers, 2007.
- "The Economic Significance of Executive Order 13,422." Yale Journal on Regulation 25(1) (Winter 2008), pp. 113-24.

- "Administrative Law Agonistes," co-authors Mathew D. McCubbins, Daniel B. Rodriguez and Barry R. Weingast. Columbia Law Review Sidebar Vol. 108 (April 29, 2008), pp. 15-22.

LYRIS WIEDEMANN obtained full certification as an ACTFL Writing Proficiency Test Rater of Portuguese, valid for 4 years.

Her recent publications include:
- Wiedemann, L. & MA Cowles. "Programas de Português: importância da avaliação lingüística." *Portuguese Newsletter AATSP*, Nov. 2007: 4-5.
- Wiedemann, L. & MA Cowles, "The Impact of Target-Country versus Home-Country Immersion Programs on Foreign Language Learners of Portuguese." *Connections*, SWCOLT 2 (2008): 1-15.
- Wiedemann, Lyris & M. Scaramucci. (Eds.) *Português para Falantes de Espanhol: Ensino e Aquisição/ Portuguese for Spanish Speakers: Teaching and Acquisition*. São Paulo, Brasil: Pontes, 2008 (268 pp.)

A note from the Library

This has been a busy time for Green Library. In 2007-2008, almost 10,500 new books were acquired from Latin America, Spain, and Portugal. Several new databases were added to supplement our vast print holdings of more than 350,000 volumes: *Latino Literature*, *Latin American Women Writers*, *¡Informe!* (*Revistas en Español*), and *Hispanic American Newspapers, 1808-1980*.

In October 2008, **ADÁN GRIEGO** was honored at LIBER (Spain's annual book fair) as one of the leading librarians, who, "in the judgment of his

and student recognition



or her peers – has contributed the most to promoting Spanish-language books and authors in the United States.” The award was sponsored by America Reads Spanish and the votes came from other academic and public librarians in the United States.

Photo Exhibit

Photos by **CHARLENE MUSIC**

Bolivar House hosted an exhibition of photos taken in Cuba by Charlene Music. An opening reception on February 21, 2008 featured a screening of Charlene’s film *Hablemos* (Costa Rica, 2007, 16 min.)

Born and raised in Costa Rica, Charlene Music became interested in documentary photography and filmmaking while at Harvard University, where she graduated *magna cum laude* in 2004. She is currently a graduate student in Stanford’s MFA program in Documentary Filmmaking. She has worked as a photographer in

Cuba, China, Costa Rica, India, and the United States.

To see Charlene’s work visit her website: www.charlene-music.com.

Graduates, Class of 2008

Master of Arts in Latin American Studies awarded to:

IKIRA DI LORENZO
ELIZABETH DUMFORD
MARYKATE HANLON
CRISTINA HUNG
DANIEL LASAGA
DANIEL LOPEZ
NATHAN LUBETKIN
ARACELI ORTIZ
ALICIA RILEY
RICHARD WELSH

Undergraduate Minor in Latin American Studies awarded to:

CAROLINE GALINDO
JUAN ADOLFO MATEOS
RITA MARY OUSEPH

Monica Miller Walsh Summer Internship Grants

Thanks to a generous gift from Stanford alumna Monica Miller Walsh and her husband David Walsh, CLAS was able for the fourth year in a row to award grants to support Stanford undergraduates in summer internships in Latin America.

Grant recipients for summer 2008:

EMILY DANSEREAU

BA 2010 in Human Biology
Centro de Salud Pacata in Cochabamba, Bolivia

TESS ROTHSTEIN

BA 2011
Estrategia Departamental Construyendo Municipios más Equitativos y Democráticos in Cuscatlán, El Salvador

BRINDHA SARAVANABAVANANDHAN

BA 2010 in Human Biology
Movimientos Sonrisa / Project Smile and Mosoj Yan in Cochabamba, Bolivia

SOPHIE THEIS

BA 2011
Marketing and environmental education, KMD Architects in Mexico City

ERIKA WILLIAMS

BA 2010 in History
Teaching English through Learning Enterprises in Villa de Ahome, Sinaloa, Mexico

ANNA RUBY WAXHAM BLACKWELL

BA 2009 in Iberian & Latin American Cultures and Human Biology
Educator, Movimiento de Apoyo a Niños Trabajadores y de la Calle, Asociación Civil (MATRACA A.C.) in Xalapa, Mexico

student research

Tropical Dry Forests of Western Mexico: Understanding Species Interactions

September 12-22, 2007
Chamela Research Station, Jalisco, Mexico

Faculty: RODOLFO DIRZO (Stanford University), KATHERINE RENTON (UNAM), ALVARO MIRANDA (Chamela-Cuixmala Biosphere Reserve)

Faculty-led field research into species interactions, especially herbivory, in Chamela forest, Mexico, representative of the seasonally dry tropical forests, the world's most endangered tropical forests.

ELIZABETH PRINGLE, a PhD student conducting much of her dissertation research at Chamela, reported on the trip: "I was very fortunate to be a part of the lab's CLAS-funded trip to Chamela, Mexico [...] My own project is focused on a single tree species and its interactions with communities of insects, so the project the lab conducted was beneficial for me scientifically because we took a much broader look at plant diversity within the site. [...] My time in Mexico, which was stretched to three months thanks to the funding from CLAS, was also very beneficial for my education from a cultural perspective. [...] From a town dance whose participants might have been from Texas if judged by their hats and attire, to conservation problems that stem from the demands of the elite, to economic disparities between rich and poor, the fortunes of Mexico and the U.S. are both figuratively and literally intertwined."

Visions of Democracy, Practices of the Press: The Field of Journalism in Caracas, Venezuela

Dissertation research funded by Fundación Gran Mariscal de Ayacucho

ROBERT SAMET, PhD candidate in Anthropology, archived the contents of four Caracas newspapers and conducted a total of 40 interviews, through which he gathered valuable preliminary findings on the state of press freedom in Venezuela, namely that it is alive and well, though there exist formal and informal restrictions, including barriers to information, financial consequences, legal pressures, and public distrust.

Grad Student Lecture Series

November 7, 2007

LAURA CHIARAMONTE, KYLE SPIKES, and JEFF SHRAGGE, PhD candidates in Geophysics
Geophysical Imaging of the Ambato Archaeological Site, Catamarca, Argentina

January 28, 2008

MIKE ALBERTUS, PhD candidate in Political Science
Democracy and Persistent Inequality in Latin America

February 11, 2008

CARLOS LEVER, PhD candidate in Economics
Implications of Strategic Competition for Centrality on a Social Network

February 25, 2008

MATTHEW CARNES, PhD candidate in Political Science
The Politics of Labor Regulation in Latin America

April 7, 2008

PEDRO FORTES, Stanford Program in International Legal Studies (SPILS) Fellow

To Protect a Mockingbird: Analyzing Responses to Allegations of Police Abuse in Brazil

April 14, 2008

LUIS PÉREZ HURTADO, JSD candidate, Law School
The Expansion of Mexico's System of Legal Education

April 21, 2008

AUSTIN ZEIDERMAN, PhD candidate in Anthropology
Living Dangerously: Security, Risk, and Urban Governance in Bogotá

May 12, 2008

CLAIRE ADIDA and DESHA GIROD, PhD candidates in Political Science
Do remittances improve governance? Remittance flows and public goods in Mexico, 1995-2000

Monday, June 9, 2008

CAMILA DONATTI, PhD candidate in Biology
Seed Dispersal Attributes of Plant Species in a Fruit-Frugivore Network and Their Consequences for Spatial Patterns in the Brazilian Pantanal

Latin American Microfinance Working Group

Student Coordinator: JESSICA RICHMAN (Economics; Science, Technology & Society)

Faculty Sponsor: CLARK REYNOLDS (Emeritus, Economics)

The activities of the Latin American Microfinance Working Group included a speaker series and an online journal. The 2007-2008 school

working group [n.] a clas-funded, student-organized vehicle for collaborative research, discussion, and exchange of ideas on a latin american theme

year saw eleven presentations by students, professors, practitioners with expertise in the field of microfinance in Latin America. The speakers included: KATHERINE ROUBOS, Stanford student founder of Volunteers in Latin America; LAURO GONZALEZ, Director, Center for Microfinance Studies, Fundação Getúlio Vargas, São Paulo; MICHELLE KREGER, Microfinance Partnerships Manager for Latin America and the Caribbean, Kiva.org.

The inaugural issue of the Stanford Journal of Microfinance is published online at <http://microfinance.stanford.edu>.

“The Neoliberalization of Soccer” (SAM DUBAL, Stanford '08), “Brazilian Choro and American Ragtime: Similarities, History, and Influences” (DANIEL DALAROSSA, Global Choro Music Corporation), and “The Political Ecology of Land Conversion in the Trinational Border Peru-Brazil-Bolivia” (ANGELICA ALMEIDA and EBEN BROADBENT, PhD candidates, Stanford).

Mexican Studies Working Group

Student Coordinators: LUIS PÉREZ HURTADO (JSD candidate, Law School) CARLOS LEVER (PhD candidate, Economics)

evaluating social policy (CONVEVAL), were the invited speakers.

Latin American Literary Dialogs Working Group

Student Coordinators: FRANCISCA GONZÁLEZ FLORES and K. ANGELA WEIKEL (PhD candidates, Iberian and Latin American Cultures)

Faculty Sponsor: JORGE RUFFINELLI (Iberian and Latin American Cultures)

The Latin American Literary Dialogs Working Group, consisting of graduate students interested in the work of emerging Latin American authors, is designed to facilitate conversation among scholars of similar interests and between the scholars and the fiction writers themselves. The pattern is simple: the students read an assigned novel and meet as a group to discuss their reading; then, a week or two later, they meet again, this time with the author present to share insight about his or her own writing. Authors and works featured in the 2007-2008 school year: CRISTINA RIVERA GARZA's novel *Nadia me verá llorar*, DANIEL ALARCÓN's novel *La ciudad perdida*, PATRICIA SUÁREZ's novel *Perdida en el momento*, and CRISTIÁN SÁNCHEZ's film *El zapato chino*.

Working Groups for 2008-2009

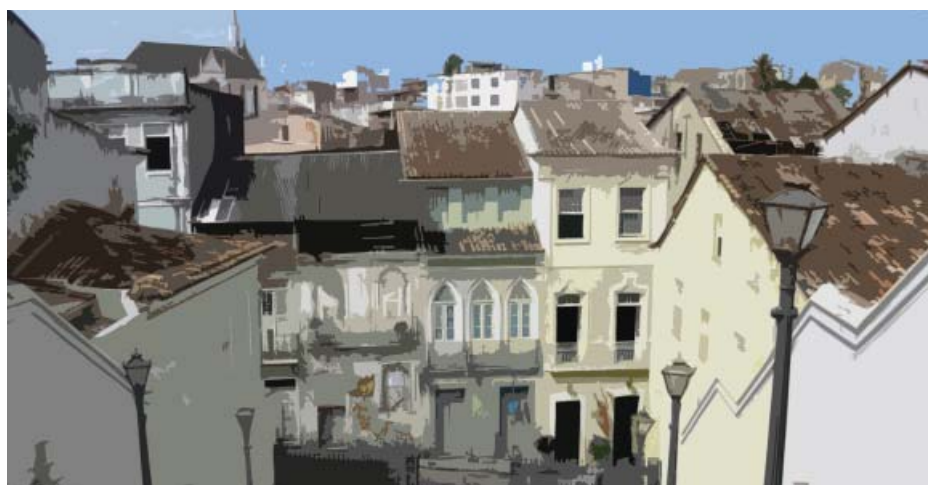
Brazilian Studies

Latin American Literary Dialogs

Mexican Studies

Technological Entrepreneurship in Latin America

The Politics of Identity: Status Movements in Puerto Rico



Brazilian Studies Working Group

Student Coordinator: CAMILA LOTTE DONATHI (PhD candidate, Biology)

Faculty Sponsor: LYRIS WIEDEMANN (Portuguese Language)

With the moniker “Brazilian Research Lunch,” a noontime lecture series featured a variety of topics, including “Violence, Change, and Wonder in Contemporary Narratives” (CANDACE SLATER, UC-Berkeley),

Faculty Sponsor: RODOLFO DIRZO (Biology)

The Mexican Working Group hosted three presentations and roundtable discussions during the 2007-2008 year. GERARDO JIMÉNEZ, Director of the Mexican Nacional Institute for Genomic Medicine (INMEGEN); GUILLERMO LÓPEZ PORTILLO, Reporter with Noticieros Televisa; and GONZALO HERNÁNDEZ LICONA, Executive Secretary of the Mexican council for

tinker visiting professors and nabuco scholars

Nabuco Scholars, 2007-2008

MARCO A. PAMPLONA is a professor of history at the Universidade Federal Fluminense and at the Pontifícia Universidade Católica, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. He deals with topics related to state making and nation building, citizenship, and the idea of republic in the Americas from a comparative perspective. His publications include *Riots, Republicanism, and Citizenship* (1996), translated to Portuguese in 2003; and *Revendo o Sonho Americano: 1890-1972* (1996).

MARIZA SOARES is an Associate Professor in the History Department at the Universidade Federal Fluminense (UFF) in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, where she teaches courses on slavery and African diaspora. Prof. Soares is also the Director of the Núcleo de Estudos Brasil-África (NEAF), which is linked with the International Office at UFF. Since 2002, Prof. Soares has been a Network Professor of the Harriet Tubman Resource Centre on the African Diaspora at York University. She is presently directing the project, Acervo Digital Angola Brasil (funded by CNP, Brazil), for digitalizing historical documents in Rio de Janeiro and Luanda. Her current research focuses on slave trade and African diaspora in the period from 1680 to 1720.

Visiting Scholars, 2007-2008

IRAIDA CASIQUE
KARINA GALPERÍN
LILIANA OBREGÓN
FRANCISCO A. ORTEGA
JENNIE POPP
CECILIA TAIANA

Tinker Visiting Professors, 2007-2008

ERNESTO SCHARGRODSKY received his PhD in Economics from Harvard University in 1998. He is currently the Dean of the Business School of the Universidad Torcuato Di Tella in Buenos Aires, Argentina. He has been a visiting scholar at both Stanford University and Harvard University. His research includes studies of the effect of the use of electronic systems for the payment of welfare programs, the impact of privatization of water companies on child mortality, the distribution of crime victimization across socioeconomic levels, and the effects of awarding land titles to squatters. During Winter Quarter 2008 at Stanford, Dr. Schargrotsky taught ECON 122: Economic Development of Latin America.

GUILLERMO SOLÓRZANO is an Associate Professor in the Department of Materials Science and Metallurgy at the Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro. He received his PhD in 1983 from McMaster University. His research interests include: nanotechnologies; electron microscopy microanalysis and characterization of metals; defects, diffusion, and transformation of physical metallurgy in solids; and archaeometallurgy. During Winter Quarter 2008 at Stanford, Dr. Solórzano taught MATSCI 153: Nanostructures and Characterization.

MAURO GALETTI received his PhD from Cambridge University in 1996 and then moved to Indonesia to study seed dispersal by hornbills and mammals. In 1997, he returned to Brazil and founded the Plant Phenology and Seed Dispersal Research

Group at Universidade Estadual Paulista at Rio Claro in São Paulo State. Since 2002, Dr. Galetti has been a Visiting Scientist at Integrative Ecology Group at Consejo de Investigaciones Científicas in Seville, Spain. Dr. Galetti's research strives to understand complex interactions between frugivores (fruit-eating animals) and plants and the impact of human activities, including forest fragmentation, poaching, and more recently global warming, on biodiversity loss. His major study sites are in the Pantanal and in the Atlantic rain forest. During Spring Quarter 2008 at Stanford, Dr. Galetti taught BIOL 235: Challenges for Biodiversity Conservation in Latin America.

CRISTIÁN SÁNCHEZ is a Chilean film director and a Professor of Film Theory. He graduated from the Catholic University in Santiago in 1975. Most recently he has taught visual arts courses at Valparaíso University, the University of Chile, the Viña del Mar Film School, and Arcis University. He has written and directed 13 films, including *Los Deseos Concebidos* (1983). During Spring Quarter 2008 at Stanford, Dr. Sánchez taught SPANLIT 249: Reading Cinema Today.

ANA MARÍA GONZÁLEZ DE TOBIA is a Professor of Greek Language and Literature at the National University of La Plata, Argentina. Her current research projects look at Greek grammar; Classical Studies in Latin America; and Bacchylides in relation to early epics, ancient lyrics, tragedy and history. Her past research projects examined the poetics of loss and exile in Greek epics and tragedy as well as the epic and tragic space

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as a frontier of heroic ethics. She is currently Vice-President of the International Federation of the Societies of Classical Studies (FIEC), Director of the Centro de Estudios Clásicos at UNLP, and Director of *Synthesis*, a journal of Classics. During Spring Quarter 2008 at Stanford, Professor González taught CLASSGEN 111: Croesus and Solon: Polemical Interpretation of Prosperity.

International Workshop on Remote Electron Microscopy for In Situ Studies

March 31-April 1, 2008
Stanford University

Sponsored by the Tinker Foundation

Organizers: ROBERT SINCLAIR (Materials Science and Engineering, Stanford), GUILLERMO SOLÓRZANO (Tinker Visiting Professor)

The purpose was to assess and discuss the status and future directions of remote electron microscopy, especially for in situ studies, particularly as it relates to scientific collaborations between Latin

American scholars and their counterparts in the U.S., Europe, and Japan. As the technology develops to allow real-time access from a remote location to a central, well-equipped facility, this capability and its usage will become increasingly important.

The workshop featured 27 paper presentations as well as group discussions and breakout sessions. Plans are in place for a second workshop in Gothenburg, Sweden in 2009, and a third at Carnegie Mellon University in 2010.

América Profunda: A Conference and Film Retrospective on Indigenous / Original Peoples and Cinema. Cultural Genocide and Memory in 24 Frames per Second

May 14-16, 2008
Stanford University

Sponsored by the Tinker Foundation

Organizers: JORGE RUFFINELLI (Iberian and Latin American Cultures, Stanford), CRISTIÁN SÁNCHEZ (Tinker Visiting Professor)

Filmmakers / Participants: SYLVIO BACK (Brazil), JOEL PIZZINI (Brazil), NICOLÁS ECHEVARRÍA (Mexico), MARCOS LOAYZA (Bolivia), YANARA GUAYASAMÍN (Ecuador), CLAUDIA LLOSA (Peru), MARIANNE EYDE (Peru), CRISTIÁN SÁNCHEZ (Chile)

The symposium brought together eight filmmakers born in five Latin American countries (Brazil, Peru, Mexico, Ecuador, and Chile) who, between 1969 and 2006, made either documentaries or feature films focusing on indigenous peoples. Screenings of the participants' films were followed by thorough discussions in which the films were analyzed in relation to the general themes of the symposium. The discussions were very animated, and at times polemic, foregrounding the participants' very different approaches both to the indigenous subject, and to film as narration and as aesthetic expression. This symposium was unique in that the filmmaking reception was placed into the hands of the filmmakers themselves, with no intermediation from "critics," "experts," or "academics."



master of arts

The one-year Master of Arts in Latin American Studies is designed for individuals with significant interest and experience in Latin America but with little or no academic background in Latin American Studies. An interdisciplinary curriculum promotes both breadth and depth, with coursework in Political Economy, Environment & Ecology, and Culture & Society. MA candidates benefit from the expertise of nearly 70 affiliated faculty representing a wide range of fields, as well as opportunities to learn from a diverse group of scholars who speak in Bolivar House's weekly lecture series and to collaborate with Tinker Visiting Professors, world-renowned scholars in their fields who teach at Stanford during a one-quarter residence. Applications are due in early January for fall quarter admission. Details can be found at <http://las.stanford.edu>.

MA Candidates, 2008-2009

LYNDA ABEND is originally from Kansas City, Missouri. She graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 2007 with a BA in Political Science and Hispanic Studies, and a minor in Latin American Studies. As an undergraduate, she interned with the U.S. Department of State in Asunción, Paraguay and volunteered with a human rights NGO in Buenos Aires. She spent the summer of 2007 as a fellow with the American Jewish Committee in Santiago, Chile, and the 2007-08 academic year as a Language and Culture Assistant in Madrid on a grant from the Spanish Ministry of Education and Science. She is interested in issues of human rights, democratization, and decentralization.

JAMES BURLESON-PORRAS completed his BA in English Literature at Stanford

in June 2008. Born in Dallas, Texas, James spent most summers growing up in the highlands of Peru, his mother's native country. His connection with this region deepened in high school, as he led humanitarian mission trips to Huancayo and the Mantaro Valley in Peru. His research interests include ideology and identity formation, identity consciousness, social innovation, and sustainability in the Altiplano region of Peru and Bolivia.

MARIANA GONZÁLEZ INSUA grew up in Buenos Aires, Argentina and graduated from Universidad Torcuato Di Tella with a degree in International Relations. In her undergraduate thesis, she focused on the influence of the United States in Colombia and Venezuela's bilateral relations. After graduating, Mariana taught English in Buenos Aires before moving to Dresden, Germany for a year, where she studied German language and culture. Mariana has worked on a variety of research assistantships, the most recent of which focuses on constitutional law in the provinces of Argentina.

KARA KAPP, from Riverwoods, IL, graduated in 2006 from Dartmouth College with a BA in International Relations and Environmental Studies and a minor in Spanish. As an undergraduate, she studied abroad in Montevideo, Uruguay and spent time as an environmental volunteer in Tarcoles Beach, Costa Rica. She later returned to Costa Rica to conduct research for her senior thesis on the International Politics of Rainforest Management, for which she was awarded the Downey Family Prize for outstanding scholarship. She is



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currently pursuing, along with the MA in Latin American Studies, a JD at Stanford Law School. She is primarily interested in the intersection of law, culture, and international relations in Latin America.

PAOLA KIM grew up in Los Angeles, California. The daughter of a Korean-American father and first-generation Colombian mother, she frequently traveled to Colombia and briefly attended grade school there as a child. She left California to attend college in Minnesota and earned a Bachelor's in Political Science/International Relations in 2005. After working in the field of immigration for a few years, she is interested in delving deeper into the political and economic issues of South America while at Stanford.

KATE LEARY graduated in 2007 from the College of William and Mary with a BA in Government and a minor in Hispanic Studies. She studied abroad in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and later returned there to intern at a human rights organization. Her main areas of focus are economic and political development in Latin America, and she is also interested in immigration and the border culture.

MEGAN MAY completed her undergraduate degree at Stanford in Human Biology with a focus in International Health. Megan's interest in Latin America stems from her experience growing up in San Diego, along the Mexican-American border. She has studied community health and resource conservation in Mexico. Megan hopes to learn more about political and economic structures in Latin America in order to better

understand immigration issues and the immigrant population in the U.S.

ELENA PÉREZ, a Washington D.C. native, graduated from Stanford in June 2008 with a BA in Psychology. In the fall of 2006, Elena studied at the Pontificia Universidad Católica: Madre y Maestro in Santiago, Dominican Republic, where she also volunteered at a public hospital. Elena was awarded the Stanford in Government Fellowship to work at the Carter Center in Atlanta, Georgia during the summer of 2008. During her time there she had the opportunity to research and analyze the current socio-political conflict in Bolivia and to contribute to the Carter Center's plans regarding the country's negotiations efforts in the upcoming year.

ADAM RIGGS grew up in Idaho, Utah, and Washington. He studied art and music at Boise State University and earned a BFA in Art with a minor in Spanish from Utah State University, and a degree in Secondary Education from the University of North Texas. He taught high school Spanish for two years in Texas. Adam is currently serving as a Captain in the US Army with 2 tours in Iraq and has been selected to teach Spanish at the US Military Academy at West Point, NY after completing his course of study at Stanford. He first became fascinated with Latin America while serving as a missionary in Argentina. His primary research interests include failed and failing countries, international security, languages, art history, and cross cultural influence.

JOSHUA STECH was born in Rochester, NY and grew up in San Diego. He graduated from Stanford in June

2008 with a double major in Economics and Spanish with Honors. In the summer of 2008 Josh worked as an intern with Mercer Human Capital Consulting in San Francisco, and he had previous internships with Manzanillo International Terminal in Panama; Purpose Built Real Estate Investments in San Diego; and Circle of Nations, a non-profit committed to preserving and promoting Native American culture. As an undergraduate, Josh studied abroad in Santiago, Chile. He completed an undergraduate honors thesis on "The 2007 Sub-Prime Lending Crisis and its Effects on the Latino Community," and his research interests include Latin American monetary and fiscal policy and Latin American languages and dialects.

JOHANN STRAUSS, born in Cali, Colombia and raised in Seattle, WA, received a BA from Stanford in June 2008 in International Relations with a minor in Spanish. As an undergrad, Johann pursued a diverse education in the field of International Relations with a keen interest in the study of international trade, underground economies, and migration. Johann has worked as an intern for a Seattle non-profit that informs citizens on the topic of free trade in the Americas, is an active member of the Chicano/Latino Community, and has been involved in various research projects regarding the issue of undocumented immigration by peoples of Latin American origin. Johann is particularly interested in the geopolitical issues surrounding his home country of Colombia as well as international trade in the South American economic arena.

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Dr. MARK GOODALE, Assistant Professor of Conflict Analysis and Anthropology, George Mason University

Revolution and Counterrevolution in Contemporary Bolivia

Thursday, April 30

DEMIAN ZAYAT and EVERALDO LAMPREA, Stanford Program in International Legal Studies (SPILS) Fellows

Modeling Justice. The selection of Judges and Justices in Latin America

Friday, May 1

MAURICIO CORTES COSTA, Consul General of Brazil in San Francisco

Biofuels and Brazil

Tuesday, May 5

Dr. LEONARD ORTOLANO, UPS Foundation Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Stanford University

REBECA HWANG, PhD Candidate, Interdisciplinary Graduate Program in Environment and Resources, Stanford University

Delivery of Domestic Water Supplies by Cooperatives in Argentina

Tuesday, May 12

Dr. SETH JACOBOWITZ, Assistant Professor, San Francisco State University

Funk, Favelas and Foucault: Representing Rio de Janeiro in José Padilha's Elite Squad

Tuesday, May 19

OSCAR REYNOLDS and LALO IZQUIERDO, master artists

The Black Music from Peru and Bolivia

Thursday, May 21

Spring Fiesta: Food, Friends, Music, and Dance in the Bolivar House garden

Wednesday, May 27

SONIA ROCHA, Senior Researcher, National Research Council, Brazil; Researcher at Instituto de Estudos do Trabalho e Sociedade (IETS); Tinker Visiting Professor at Stanford

Poverty in Brazil: The Recent Decline and Perspectives

Tuesday, June 2

MARÍA EMMA MANNARELLI, Director and Founder of the Center of Gender Studies at the Universidad de San Marcos, Lima, Peru; Tinker Visiting Professor at Stanford

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