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## **1. Announcement - The Canadian Association for Latin American and Caribbean Studies 2019 Distinguished Fellow Award**

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A huge congratulations goes out to Dr. Cristina Rojas, Director of Carleton's Institute of Political Economy and a founding member of LACS. Dr. Rojas is being honored for her distinguished contribution to the Canadian Association of Latin American and Caribbean Studies/l'Association canadienne d'études latino-américaines et des Caraïbes (CALACS) and to the goals and ideals that it represents. She has been designated the 2019 Distinguished Fellow Award. Please see below for more details of the award.

Dear Cristina,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Association for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, I am very pleased to inform you that you have been unanimously selected as the recipient of the Association's 2019 Distinguished Fellow Award. CALACS confers this distinction to individual members who have made an outstanding contribution to the Association and whose actions have contributed to furthering its Vision and Mission. You have shown a deep commitment to the Association, its progress and wellbeing, co-chairing the CALACS Conference Organizing Committee in 2013 and serving as President of our Association at various critical periods. We especially appreciate your ceaseless efforts to welcome students from all origins and disciplines to CALACS.

In addition, your professional activities have contributed substantially to advance CALACS's mission of providing an infrastructure and forum to support an interdisciplinary, international community of academics, researchers, young scholars, NGOs, Latin American and Caribbean communities and policy makers in Canada and beyond. Among many other activities, we note your contribution to the creation of the Latin American Program at Carleton University and its conversion into a Minor in Latin American and Caribbean Studies, your dedication to your many undergraduate and graduate students, your publication of numerous articles and books, and the professional networks you have created and maintained, all of which have made such a significant contribution to the field.

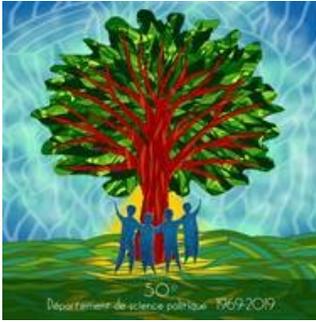
The Distinguished Fellow Award will be conferred to you in a special ceremony at the CALACS conference in Toronto, May 10-12, 2019. We would also like to organize a special panel in your honour at the conference.

Best regards,

Julián Durazo Herrmann

Professeuse de politique comparée

Président de l'Association canadienne d'études latino-américaines et des Caraïbes



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## 2. Summer Institute - Conflict Transformation Across Borders

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The University of Massachusetts-Boston, FLACSO-Ecuador, and the Center for Mediation, Peace, and Resolution of Conflict (CEMPROC) are pleased to announce:

The fifth annual **Summer Institute on Conflict Transformation Across Borders** will take place from July 1-19, 2019 in Quito, Ecuador at FLACSO, with graduate-level credit issued by UMass Boston. The program will focus on conflict and peace in border regions, including immigration and refugee-related conflict. More info and application instructions are available at [http://www.caps.umb.edu/conflict\\_transformation](http://www.caps.umb.edu/conflict_transformation).

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# Conflict Transformation Across Borders

The program will feature a series of high-level guest speakers (past years have included a former Ecuadorian Minister of Foreign Relations, UN resident director, former ambassadors, UNASUR officials, UN peacekeeper involved in the Nicaraguan demobilization process, military officers in the border region, refugee leaders, NGO activists, and more).

This course is designed to equip early-career professionals, graduate and advanced undergraduate students, and other future peacebuilders with practical tools, knowledge, and hands-on experience to understand the complexities of conflicts in refugee communities and across border regions, and the types of interventions that can be used to transform these conflicts.

The program will include classroom learning; trips to the Amazon cloud forest and the northern border region; practical skills training workshops on conflict analysis, negotiation, cross-cultural communication, and proposal writing; and participants will design their own proposal for a peacebuilding project, receiving feedback from a panel of experienced experts in the field. In this sense, the Summer Institute is not just a learning or training opportunity, but a platform for action that connects a cohort of future peacebuilders and empowers them to address the complex conflicts related to borders, migration and refugees, and transnational environmental challenges that face the world today. Core faculty leaders are Dr. Jeff Pugh, UMass Boston and Dr. Cecile Mouly, FLACSO Ecuador.

More details and applications are available online at [http://www.caps.umb.edu/conflict\\_transformation](http://www.caps.umb.edu/conflict_transformation) (the deadline to apply is April 19, 2018). Questions can be directed to Jeff Pugh at [jeffrey.pugh@umb.edu](mailto:jeffrey.pugh@umb.edu).

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Representative Topics

[Subscribe](#)[Past Issues](#)[Translate ▼](#)[RSS !\[\]\(74d4806277d7e73349d8e8c0897931e9\_img.jpg\)](#)[-Border disputes and bi-national dialogue/peace processes, the cases of Ecuador-Colombia, Haiti-Dominican Republic,](#)

and Ecuador-Peru

- Human security vs. national security in border regions
- Transnational dimensions of conflict and peacebuilding
- Skills workshop: Conflict analysis
- Forced migration, integration, and social conflict in migrant-receiving communities
- Regional approaches to migration challenges: Venezuelans in Ecuador and Brazil, Central Americans on the U.S./Mexico Border
- Skills workshop: Negotiation and mediation
- Skills workshop: Project development and proposal writing
- Conflict involving transnational environmental challenges
- Indigenous identity, ethnicity and conflict in border regions
- Skills workshop: Methodologies of conflict transformation and alternatives to violence (PAV)
- Security sector reform; disarmament, demobilization, and reintegration (DDR) and the Colombian armed conflict

Check out the outcomes, student reflections, published articles, and photos from the past years' Summer Institutes at <https://conflictransformationborders.wordpress.com/conflict-transformation-across-border-regions/> .

A short video is available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ahc4yZjzvVk&t=2s> .

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"Negotiating Identity and Belonging through the Invisibility Bargain: Colombian Forced Migrants in Ecuador," *International Migration Review*.

"Universal Citizenship through the Discourse and Policy of Rafael Correa," *Latin American Politics and Society* 59, no. 3 (Fall 2017): 98-121.

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### **3. Call for Papers - Institutions, Governance and Regional Development: Rethinking Local Economic Development from the Peripheries, Bogotá, Colombia**

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**2019 Regional Studies Association – Latin America Division Conference  
Institutions, Governance and Regional Development:  
Rethinking Local Economic Development from the Peripheries**

30th September – 1st October 2019, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia

<https://www.regionalstudies.org/events/2019latinamericadivision/>

Organized by the Regional Studies Association in partnership with the Universidad de los Andes, Centro Interdisciplinario de Estudios Sobre Desarrollo – Cider, Bogotá, Colombia

The 2019 RSA Latin American Division Conference in Bogotá will focus on understanding the formal and informal institutional processes through which local economic development occurs. It will have a particular emphasis on peripheral regions and small and medium-sized cities, both in the global North and the South, as well as on how the relationship between areas with large agglomerations, both domestic and globally, affect their opportunities for development.

**Conference themes therefore include:**

- Institutions and Local Economic Development
- Universities and Regional Development
- Uneven Development Dynamics in Peripheral Regions
- Extractivism, Biodiversity and Local Economic Development
- Rural-urban Linkages
- Place-leadership and Territorial Development
- Urban and Regional Politics and Governance
- Infrastructure and Regional Development
- Innovation and Cluster Policies in Peripheral Regions
- Global Value Chains and Global Production Networks
- Creative Districts and Displacement
- Post-Development and Post-Colonial Approaches to Local Economic Development
- Decentralisation and Urban and Regional Planning
- Class, Race, Gender and Local Economic Development
- Place-based and Place-sensitive Policies

**The conference will have sessions in English, Spanish and Portuguese, and we welcome abstracts in these three languages.**

**Call for Abstracts**

Please submit your abstract (up to 250-words and text only) through the [RSA conference portal](#). More details at <http://bit.ly/ladiv19>

Abstract submission deadline 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019

**Special Sessions**

We welcome submissions for Special Sessions (open or closed).

More details at <http://bit.ly/ladiv19>

Special Session proposal submission deadline: 6<sup>th</sup> May 2019

**Early Career Plenary Speaker Competition**

The RSA has a deep-seated commitment to furthering and supporting the career development of Early Career

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Researchers (within 5 years after finishing their PhD).

More details on the competition is included in the Call for Abstracts at <http://bit.ly/ladiv19>

Application deadline: 10<sup>th</sup> May 2019

If you have any questions concerning the application process, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please forward to your colleagues which may find this of interest and distribute widely in your networks.

With thanks and best wishes

Katharina

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Conference and Events Officer

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