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1. LACS EVENT - Elections in Brazil, Colombia, and Mexico: Implications for Democracy in Latin America?



Elections in Brazil, Colombia and Mexico: Implications for Democracy in Latin America?

Sponsored by the Latin American and Caribbean Studies program, Carleton University 2018-19

Dunton Tower, room 2017

Tuesday, Oct 16, 2018

7:00 to 8:30 PM

(followed by a social event)

Recent elections in Colombia (May 2018), Mexico (July 1, 2018) and Brazil (October 7, 2018) have signaled important political changes in three of the most important countries of the Latin American region. In this event, experts on the three countries will discuss the election results and their implications for the politics of each country and the region.

Speakers

Jean Daudelin, Associate Professor, Norman Paterson School of International Affairs, Carleton University

Catherine Legrand, Professor, Department of History, McGill University

Sergio Michel Chavez, PhD Student, Department of Political Science, Carleton University



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2. SYMPOSIUM ON DR. AGNES CALLISTE - Innovative Critical Race and Intersectional Perspectives in Canadian Sociology

Honouring the Scholarship of Dr. Agnes Calliste: Innovative Critical Race and Intersectional Perspectives in Canadian Sociology

Residence Commons, room 270

Friday, Nov 23, 2018

9:00AM to 3:00PM

RSVP required (*breakfast and lunch included*)

The event will consist of three panels addressing the below topics:

- Disposability and resilience of Caribbean labour
- Black diaspora
- Black masculinity
- Argentinian whiteness
- feminist scholars
- anti-colonial feminism
- Indian transnationalism
- Racism in children's books

Registration TBA on the Sociology webpage (<https://carleton.ca/socanth/>) soon.

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3. CALL FOR PROPOSALS - CALACS/ACÉLAC/ACELC (Toronto 2019)



L'Association canadienne des études latino-américaines et caraïbes
The Canadian Association for Latin American and Caribbean Studies
Asociación canadiense de estudios latinoamericanos y del Caribe
Associação Canadense de Estudos Latino-americanos e do Caribe

CALACS/ACÉLAC/ACELC: Toronto 2019

Call for Papers

The Canadian Association for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CALACS) invites you to participate in CALACS's 2019 Conference, to be held at York University, Toronto, May 10-12.

“CALACS at 50”

The 2019 conference will celebrate CALACS’s 50th anniversary, marking the milestone by returning to York University in Toronto, the site of CALACS’s inaugural conference in 1969. The conference is organized by York’s Centre for Research on Latin America and the Caribbean (CERLAC) which is itself commemorating its 40th anniversary in the Fall of 2018. The 2019 CALACS Conference offers an opportunity to celebrate and take stock—in one of the world’s most diverse cities—of a half-century of Canada-based interdisciplinary research and activism in the region.

In addition to welcoming panels, workshops, and papers examining the history of Caribbean and Latin American studies in Canada, the Program Committee seeks to make the conference a diverse and inclusive event. We invite proposals from students, academics, community researchers, cultural producers, and activists who study the Caribbean, Latin America, and their diasporas—both past and present. The Program Committee also seeks to acknowledge that the region is currently wracked by a range of interconnected crises—political, economic, environmental, security, and others—that, for the first time in decades, are resulting in a rise in the number asylum seekers. These issues—and the historical legacies of imperialism and colonialism they highlight—will be given particular visibility through keynotes and plenary sessions. In addition, May 13 will be a Bridge Day between the CALACS conference and the conference of the Canadian Association for Refugee and Forced Migration Studies (CARFMS), which will take place at York on May 14-16. This Bridge Day will encourage overlap between the conferences and the sharing of interests and concerns between members of the two associations.

Proposals for panels, workshops, and individual papers (around 300 words) can be submitted in Spanish, English, French or Portuguese.

Please note that you must be a member of CALACS to submit a proposal.

All presenters must:

1. **purchase a CALACS membership and**
2. **register for the Conference in order to be included in the conference program.**

CALACS offers a discount for early registration. Non-academic participants may apply for exemption from CALACS membership and for free conference registration.

The deadline for proposal submission for panels, workshops, and individual papers is **November 15, 2018** through the conference website: <https://can-latam.org/congress>.

For more information, contact calacs50@yorku.ca

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4. CALL FOR PAPERS - Pink Tides and Right Turns in Latin America

Pink Tides and Right Turns in Latin America

Call for Papers

Location: Université du Québec en Outaouais (Gatineau/Ottawa, Canada)

Date: June 12-13, 2019

Abstracts due: November 15, 2018

Response date: December 15, 2018

Papers due: February 1, 2019

The current decline of Latin America's "pink tide" seems to signal the end of what has been a three decades long leftward cycle that began with massive movements against neoliberalism in the 1990s. The hope expressed in recent decades by the popular calls of "Another World is Possible", "21st Century Socialism" and "Buen Vivir" is now being eclipsed by the rise of new right-wing forces throughout the region. Mauricio Macri in Argentina, Michel Temer and Jair Bolsonaro in Brazil, and Sebastian Piñera in Chile are the leading figures of this new rightward trend, one that has been accompanied by highly volatile, politically heterogeneous and often fragmented popular mobilizations.grass-roots

Where left governments are still standing, they are doing so on shaky ground, having to cope with the recent downturn of commodity prices and changing attitudes within popular sectors. Indeed, Venezuela's Bolivarian Revolution now faces economic collapse and increasingly authoritarian tendencies from the ruling Chavista government. In Bolivia, Evo Morales suffered his first defeat at the ballot box, as voters rejected his bid to run for the Presidency for a 4th consecutive term. Yet, counter trends are also visible, notably the historic election of Andrés Manuel López Obrador to the Mexican Presidency, and the Sandinista Renovation Movement in Nicaragua, fighting the corrupt and authoritarian Ortega government. Lastly, pink tide governments have allied themselves with certain movements (union, women's) and experienced more tense relations with others (indigenous, afro-descendent).

How do we interpret this crucial moment in the region's political economic history? Is this the start of a new right-wing cycle? If so, what is its social, political and economic basis? How has the relationship between grassroots movements and left governments evolved in recent years? Are new movements resisting or feeding into the emerging right wing? How are social movements reacting to or developing political alternatives beyond the pink tide?

The seminar aims at mobilizing critical research on contemporary themes by bringing together researchers based in the Americas or working on the Americas. It will critically debate the current decline of the pink tide, as well as emerging forms of Left and Right politics in order to reach an understanding of their meaning, their achievements, their effects on democratic structures, as well as their structural, economic and political impacts.

In order to reach these goals, we invite students and researchers to submit individual panel (and/or papers) proposals that address the themes listed below. Gender approaches are welcome as a transversal theme to all axes. The submission process involves two steps. First, we ask potential participants to submit individual abstracts (200 words) by November 15, 2018. If selected to present, you will then be asked to submit a draft paper by February 1, 2019. Following the seminar, authors of the best 10 papers will be asked to contribute their work to an edited, peer-reviewed volume.

Conference Themes

Social Movements, Pink Tide, New Right, Extractive Industries, Neo-structuralism, Neo-developmentalism, Populism, De-democratization

Axes

- Actors, characteristics, and origins of the new right and the politics of dedemocratization
- The consequences of the political economy of neo-structuralism, neodevelopmentalism, and extractivism
- The dynamics, advances, and legacies of social movements and the Pink Tide, particularly in the areas of decolonialisation, poverty reduction, equality, and inclusion.
- Uncivil society and the role of militias, narcos and traffickers in civil society, state institutions, and political economy.

Keynote Speakers

Professor Lena Lavinias (Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro), and Professor Joe Foweraker (University of Exeter).

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Conference Sponsors

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Le Réseau d'études latino-américaines de Montréal (RÉLAM)

Abstracts and Questions

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