January 6, 2017

Happy New Year and Welcome to the Spring 2017 Semester!

Office Holiday Closures:

CLAS will be closed on January 6 and will reopen for normal office hours beginning January 9, 2017.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE SPRING 2017 SEMESTER:

- 1st day of Classes: January 18, 2017
- Add/drop deadline: January 31, 2017
- May/August graduation filing deadline: January 31, 2017


- Graduate Students: Take classes in Tijuana, Mexico at El Colegio de la Frontera Norte (COLEF) in Spring 2017.
  Info sessions to be held:
  Tuesday, January 10 at 10 am
  Thursday, January 12 at 3 pm
  Location: AL 377

- Join our CLAS Study Abroad programs in Cuba and Oaxaca for summer 2017! NEW THIS YEAR: ADVANCED MIXTEC LANGUAGE IN OAXACA! Deadlines are approaching quickly.
  Info sessions to be held:

Cuba
January 2017
Tuesday 17th: 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm
Tuesday 24th: 11:00 am-11:30 am
Wednesday 25th: 1:00 pm- 1:30 pm
Tuesday 31st: 2:00 pm -2:30 pm
Location: AL 379

February 2017
Wednesday 1st: 2:00 pm-2:30 pm
Tuesday 7th: 1:00 pm - 1:30 pm
Wednesday 8th: 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm
Thursday 9th: 11:00 am - 11:30 am
Location: AL 379

Oaxaca (Ethnographic Field School, Mixtec Language, Zapotec Language)
January 2017
Tuesday 17th: 12:30 pm - 1:00 pm
Tuesday 24th: 11:30 am - 12:00 pm
Wednesday 25th: 1:30 pm - 2:00 pm
Tuesday 31st: 2:30 pm - 3:00 pm
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Campus-wide Spring Study Abroad Fair!
Tuesday, February 7
10am - 2pm
North Library Walkway
More info: Melissa Bolthouse mbolthou@mail.sdsu.edu

STUDY ABROAD IN CUBA IN SUMMER 2017! APPLICATION DUE FEBRUARY 10, 2017

The Center for Latin American Studies at SDSU offers an incredible three week study abroad program in La Habana, Cuba. Over three weeks, students will attend classes at the Centro de Estudios Martianos, where they will learn about Cuba’s history, politics, social projects, international relations, and economy. This program provides a unique opportunity to travel and learn from scholars and professors in Cuba, and of course, the Cuban people. There’s no better time than now to visit Cuba as it ponders its future after the normalization of diplomatic relations with the US. Be a part of history!

Program Dates: May 20 to June 10, 2017

Application Due: February 10, 2017

Program Cost: $4,487 This includes round-trip flight, housing, in-country transportation, one daily meal, weekend trip to Varadero, and Cuban Visa.

Website: http://latinamericanstudies.sdsu.edu/study_abroad/cuba.html
STUDY ABROAD IN OAXACA IN SUMMER 2017!
APPLICATIONS DUE MARCH 15, 2017

The Center for Latin American Studies is proud to offer four opportunities to study in Oaxaca, Mexico in the summer of 2017!

**Ethnographic Field School in Oaxaca City, México! (3 units)**

Oaxaca, one of the most beautiful areas in Mexico, is home to more than 16 different indigenous groups that make up 48% of the total population. Their cultural and linguistic differences have resulted in one of the richest cuisines in the world. This year’s project focuses on shifts in local cuisine and nutrition as a result of tourism, migration, and food security. You will learn qualitative research methods through direct employment of these methodologies in documenting these changes and the impact they have on the lives of local residents. Study under the direction of Dr. Ramona Pérez and join the most fun, intensive and enriching ethnographic field school offered at SDSU! Spanish proficiency preferred, but not required.

Program Dates: July 2, 2017 - July 28, 2017

Program Cost: $2,200. The price includes 4 weeks of accommodation in a hostel, travel insurance, and College of Extended Studies tuition fees for three units. You are responsible for airfare, ground transportation, and food.

Application Deadline: March 15, 2017

**Basic-Intermediate Zapotec Language School in Juchitán, México! (4 units)**

This intensive program is taught by native Isthmus Zapotec speaker and linguist Tomás Villalobos Aquino through the Casa de la Cultura in Juchitán. The course offers 140 hours of class instruction plus local weekend fieldtrips over a six-week period. Participants will be fully immersed in the culture and language through homestays with Zapotec speaking families. Intermediate Spanish proficiency is required to participate.

Program Dates: June 19 - July 28, 2017

Program Cost: $4,500 includes SDSU tuition, some course materials, and program ground transportation. Airfare, food, health insurance, and lodging are not included.

Application Deadline: March 15, 2017

**Basic-Intermediate Mixtec Language School in Oaxaca City, México! (4 units)**
Language instruction is provided by native Mixtec speakers and scholars Juan Julian Caballero and Marcos Cruz Bautista through the Welte Institute in Oaxaca City. The course offers 140 hours of instruction plus local weekend field trips over a six-week period. Intermediate Spanish proficiency is required to participate.

Program Dates: June 19 - July 28, 2017

Program Cost: $4,500 includes SDSU tuition, some course materials, and program ground transportation. Airfare, food, health insurance, and lodging are not included.

Application Deadline: March 15, 2017

**Advanced Mixtec Language School in Oaxaca City, México! (3 units)**

Intensive advanced Mixtec language instruction provided by native Mixtec speaker, scholar, and Center for Latin American Studies lecturer Angelina Trujillo. Course will include weekend trips and opportunities to participate in CLAS’s Ethnographic Field School. Spanish proficiency preferred, but not required.

Program Dates: July 2, 2017 - July 28, 2017
Program Cost: $2,200. The price includes 4 weeks of accommodation in a hostel, travel insurance, and College of Extended Studies tuition fees for four units. You are responsible for airfare, ground transportation, and food.

Application Deadline: March 15, 2017

For more information on all four programs, please contact Lia Wesson, Study Abroad Coordinator: classtdy@mail.sdsu.edu

**TAKE CLASSES IN TIJUANA, MÉXICO @ COLEF DURING THE SPRING 2017 SEMESTER, APPLICATIONS DUE JANUARY 16, 2017**

El Colegio de la Frontera Norte (COLEF) and San Diego State University (SDSU) have a long-term partnership including research collaborations and student exchange. For the Center for Latin American Studies at SDSU, this agreement allows all SDSU graduate students to engage in transnational learning and take classes at COLEF.

COLEF is located in Tijuana on the toll road to Las Playas de Rosarito, approximately 45 minutes from SDSU and about 20 minutes from the San Ysidro border crossing. COLEF is a prestigious Mexican research institute, with graduate programs in Economics, Urban Development, Demography, and a handful of other social sciences. The course schedule for the Spring 2017 can be viewed here.

Any student at SDSU enrolled in a graduate program may enroll in up to two classes per semester at COLEF at NO additional tuition cost (visa and insurance fees may apply).
Some additional info is available on the CLAS website: http://latinamericanstudies.sdsu.edu/study_abroad/colef.html

If you are interested in taking courses at COLEF in Spring 2017, contact Tyler Linvill at clasgrad@mail.sdsu.edu.

SPRING 2017 LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES INTERNSHIPS

The Center for Latin American Studies will be offering four internships for Spring 2017:

**EJE Mentors:** Interns will provide tutoring and activities to Middle School youth. This will help enrich the lives of these students, while preparing them for college. The internship takes place in a charter school in El Cajon.

**Mixteco Cultural Exchange Program:** Teach English or Spanish to indigenous Mixteco adults and provide tutoring/educational support to Mixteco youths. This is a great opportunity to learn about the Mixteco culture, practice your Spanish, and gain practical experience in language instruction. Internship is held in Linda Vista.

**Unaccompanied Minors Shelter Program:** Teach life skills and provide education and recreational activities to refugee minors while they await reunification with their families in the U.S. or abroad. Learn firsthand about the experience of youth who have immigrated to the U.S. alone, while helping them learn about American culture and practicing your Spanish. This internship is located close to campus.

**Pro Salud Internship:** Work for a Mexican NGO that provides comprehensive health and health education to some of the most vulnerable populations within the region of Tijuana. This is a great opportunity to see how health challenges are addressed in another country. The internship requires travel to Tijuana once a week.

If you are interested in any of the Center’s internship opportunities, please contact Carina Carballo at clasintr@mail.sdsu.edu

NEW COURSE OPTIONS FOR SPRING 2017:

**CCS 499: "Transborder Exigencies"**. This is a course + art workshop series re-imagining the intersection of art, education and activism at the Tijuana/San Diego Border that will be offered by Norma Iglesias-Prieto (SDSU) and Cog·nate Collective (Amy Sanchez and Misael Diaz). After learning from the work of contemporary artists working in Tijuana/San Diego, students will collaboratively design a public art project to be presented at the Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego. Please contact cognate.collective@gmail.com or niglesia@mail.sdsu.edu for information on schedule and enrollment.

**LATAM 580 SECTION 1:** "Latinidad in America: Beliefs, Culture, Identity" Tuesdays 15:30 - 18:10
LATAM 580 SECTION 2: "Sociology of the United States-Mexico Transborder Populations and Globalization". Takes place in Tijuana on the UABC Campus. Tuesdays 16:00 - 18:40

**LASSO's COUNTRY SPOTLIGHT FOR JANUARY IS CUBA! Check out the blog!**

Visit lassosdsu.wordpress.com to catch up on the last few country spotlights. Want to join the Latin American Studies Student Organization? Contact lassosdsu@gmail.com