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## The Center for Latino/a & Latin American Studies (CLLAS) 2020 Seed Grant Award for Faculty in the field of Latinx Studies

CLLAS invites applications for research and/or creative projects in the field of Latinx Studies. We plan to award one seed grant of up to \$5000;<sup>1</sup>the funds must be used during the 2020-2021 academic year (July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021). This grant is specifically intended to support research or creative projects in Latinx Studies that fit within the CLLAS mission.

Projects that include collaboration between UO units, involve the wider Eugene/Springfield, Oregon, or Latinx communities/organizations/institutions in the U.S., or propose other forms of community engagement are welcome, but not required.

### Possible project topics include, but are not limited to:

*Literature*

*visual arts*

*history and ethnic identity*

*immigration*

*education*

*language and language use*

*film and other media*

*historical memory*

*environmental and economic sustainability projects*

*human rights*

*governmental or public policy*

*sustainable business practices*

*philosophical inquiries*

*narrative and popular culture*

*public health*

*gender and sexualities*

*testimonies*

*performance*

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<sup>1</sup> Former recipients must wait one year before applying again. All grantees will be asked to make a public presentation of their research projects during the 2020-2021 academic year; to write a newsletter article; to include recognition of CLLAS in all relevant presentations and publications; and to provide CLLAS with information regarding other grants and fellowships received, as well as publications, films, websites, or other materials that result from the funded research. Grantees are encouraged to work with CLLAS staff to explore further collaborations and external grant opportunities. Funds not spent by June 30, 2021 will revert to CLLAS and will no longer be available to the grantee. Projects funded must be completed within the 2020-2021 academic year.

## Criteria for Application:

1. CLLAS welcomes research or creative projects specifically in the field of Latinx Studies.
2. The research project may be individual or collaborative. We understand “collaborative” to mean any interdisciplinary work carried out by two or more faculty members from different UO units or faculty planning to work with a community organization domestic or abroad (in Latin America or the Caribbean). People who have already been in conversation or are currently working together are encouraged to apply. We suggest that applicants demonstrate their collaborative track record and list specific activities or events they have carried out jointly in the past, such as planning a conference, team teaching, working on a research project, or sitting on a project committee together. We would also like to encourage new collaborations and urge those who have not worked together previously to carefully demonstrate how they will accomplish their collaboration.
3. Preference will be given to research projects that align with the current CLLAS theme: *The Politics of Language in the Americas: Power, Culture, History and Resistance*. For more information go to <https://cclas.uoregon.edu/2019-21-theme/>
4. Applicants should demonstrate how their project either builds on work already begun or describe how they plan to use this grant to leverage future resources. Other secured and potential funding sources should be included in the budget proposal.
5. Grantees will be asked to specify what kinds of concrete results their project will produce in one to two years, including research results, creative products, educational materials, etc.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

**Application Deadline: 12:00 p.m. (noon), Friday, April 3, 2020**

Applicants will be notified by May 1, 2020.

### Applications should include:

1. A **cover letter** that includes a summary of the project and the amount of the request up to \$5000. Contact information for all applicants should be included.
2. A **proposal/description of the project** (maximum 1000 words). Include the following:
  - Full description of research and/or creative project topic and planned activities for the grant period.
  - Significance of the research and/or creative project, and explanation of how it fits and contributes to Latinx Studies.
  - Explain how the research and/or creative project contributes to our current two-year theme *The Politics of Language in the Americas: Power, Culture, History and Resistance*. (<https://cclas.uoregon.edu/2019-21-theme/>).
3. A **budget and grant request** for the project. Applicants may request up to \$5000 of support from CLLAS. (Please note that this grant *does not* cover equipment needs such as digital cameras or laptops.) In your budget, please indicate: other sources of support that have been secured, other sources requested, and what specific project activities other funds and CLLAS

funds will cover (Please note: applicants are discouraged from using CLLAS funds to pay non-  
UO personnel or researchers.)

4. **Statements of qualifications and/or vita** (CVs must not be longer than two pages). Please describe your qualifications and capacity to carry out the project.

5. **Endorsement letter.** Faculty should demonstrate unit support for the project by including a short letter from the unit head.

You may submit your applications electronically or in hard copy:

**For Electronic Submissions:** Send applications by email to CLLAS staff at [clas@uoregon.edu](mailto:clas@uoregon.edu). Attach application documents (cover letter, project description, budget and grant request, statement of qualifications) as either a Microsoft Word for PC Document or an Adobe PDF. One attachment for all documents is preferred. Include your name in the title of the documents (e.g. Rodríguez\_CLLAS\_Grant.doc).

**For Hard Copy Submissions:** Mail or deliver the complete application packet to the address below. All parts of the application, including vita, should be printed single-sided and paper-clipped (not stapled). Applications need to be received no later than the above due date and time.

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**For more information,** contact the Center for Latino/a & Latin American Studies Director of Operations Eli Meyer or research assistant Feather Crawford at [clas@uoregon.edu](mailto:clas@uoregon.edu) or 541-346-5286. You may find a list of funded projects from previous competitions on the CLLAS website [clas.uoregon.edu](http://clas.uoregon.edu)

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