

**MELLON UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS FOR SUMMER RESEARCH
IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN, APPLICATION FORM**

***DUKE CENTER FOR LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN STUDIES (CLACS)
APPLICATION for SUMMER 2025***

I. Applicant Information

Name (Last, First, Middle)

Date of Birth

Country of Citizenship

Duke Unique ID Number

Major/Minor/Certificate

Cell Phone Number

Email Address

Date of Enrollment in Duke Program

Expected Date of Graduation

Indicate your foreign language skills (list each language and number of years studied/spoken)

II. Project Information

Proposed Project Title

Proposed Dates of Research

Country/ies of Focus

Does this project involve animal or human subjects?

If yes, do both you and your advisor have current ethics training certificates?

If yes, have you or your advisor filed for IRB approval or exemption?

Indicate status/results of IRB application

III. Budget Information

Please note: Due to our limited budget, we encourage all applicants to seek funding from other sources as well. We ask for your help in providing clear information as detailed below in order to help us distribute our funds in the most equitable way possible.

Total cost of project

Amount requested from CLACS (In addition, please attach an itemized budget indicating the proposed uses of funds requested from CLACS)

Funding requested from other sources (please specify each source and each amount requested)

Funding obtained from other sources (please specify each source and each amount obtained)

Applicants are asked to inform CLACS of other awards received for this project from other sources prior to notification of the outcome of the CLACS competition.

IV. Narrative Proposal

Please use the following as an outline for your proposal narrative:

- Topic and objectives of the research project; outline of methods and sources you will use to address the project's central issues; explain the importance of the proposed topic, the project's feasibility, and its potential contribution to knowledge about the region
- Indication of the project's relevance to the applicant's major and to their own academic and career trajectory
- Indication of how the community where the research is taking place will benefit from/engage with the outcomes of the work/research
- Indication of your ability to function in relevant foreign language as required by this research
- The planned research agenda

Also attach:

- A one-page resumé or one-page autobiographical statement
- Official Duke transcript

Also required:

- The sponsoring faculty member is required to submit a letter of recommendation by the due date directly to Patrick Semmler at patrick.semmler@duke.edu.

V. Sponsor Authorization

As faculty/instructor sponsor, I have met with the student at least one week prior to the deadline to discuss the student's project. I have advised the student and agree to support this proposed research project.

Printed Name _____

Signature _____

Email address _____

Submit all application materials as email attachments (Word or PDF documents only) to Patrick Semmler, patrick.semmler@duke.edu by **March 21, 2025**.