2018 Faculty Travel Grants 
for Research in Latin America and the Caribbean 
Application Guidelines

Application Deadline: Friday, March 23, 2018

The Center for Latin American & Caribbean Studies is pleased to announce the availability of Faculty Travel Grants for short periods (at least two weeks) of scholarly research in Latin America and the Caribbean funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. Applications are invited from Duke Latin Americanist and Caribbeanist faculty in all disciplines. All research must be conducted outside the United States (i.e., in Latin America or the Caribbean). Grantees are encouraged to use this opportunity to develop ties with institutions, organizations and individuals in the country they will travel to. The proposed research should clearly have some impact or connection to the scholarly community, economy, health, culture and/or environment of the place where the research will be conducted. Previous grantees are eligible to apply; however, it should be noted that in most cases priority will be given to first-time applicants.

To apply for a Faculty Research Travel Grant, please submit the following documents:

1) a brief (up to 3 pages, double-spaced) statement of proposed activities. Be sure to include information on the following: project description; indication of the project’s relevance to the applicant’s discipline or field of research; indication of the contribution the proposed research might make to the scholarly community, economy, health, culture and/or environment of the place where the research will be conducted; one or two sentences explaining how the proposed research will benefit Duke’s Latin American and Caribbean Studies program – we must provide this information to the funding agency;

2) a budget broken down into general categories (Due to the limited amount of funds available, we will fund international travel, and in some cases a small contribution toward in-country travel and per diem. Please use the following format:
   a. Round-trip airfare from RDU airport
   b. In-country travel
   c. Per diem (lodging and meals)

3) a completed application form (attached).

Please submit 1 copy of your proposal (all pages single-sided, no staples please) to Natalie Hartman, Room 135 Franklin Center, on or before Friday March 23, 2018. Alternatively, you may submit it as an e-mail attachment (Word or .pdf document only) to njh@duke.edu

The decisions of the selection committee will be announced by the end of April. Recipients of faculty travel grants agree to provide the Program with a brief report of their activities upon their return.

Note about research involving human subjects: For faculty whose proposed research involves human subjects, you should be aware that it is necessary for you to obtain approval of your research from the Institutional Review Board. Please consult with the Office of Research Support about the policies concerning research with human subjects at Duke University. Information can be found on the Office of Research Support web site at https://ors.duke.edu/research-with-human-subjects.

Note about Duke’s International Travel Policy: Please consult the International Travel Policy web site at https://global.duke.edu/admin/travelpolicy/index.php for information regarding travel to countries embargoed or sanctioned by the US Government. There is also a link to the Duke Travel Registry, where faculty are requested to register their travel plans.