

SECTION NEWS

Student Section of LASA

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We are glad to announce the creation of the Student Section of LASA (SSLASA), after an initial meeting at the 50th Congress in New York City. The SSLASA recognizes that students are an essential part of LASA and have specific needs and interests. It aims to provide a space for students to exchange experiences with one another and to contribute to the organization as a whole. At the same time, the SSLASA facilitates students' integration into the scholarly community through activities that contribute to professional and intellectual development. These activities include, but are not limited to, opening an additional space for students' presentations, mentoring, advising regarding the job market, information sharing, standards and suggestions on publications, academic contacts, timely communication on scholarship and employment offers, and so on.

We would like to invite student members of LASA to join this new section and help us to build the SSLASA together. The group is open to graduate students as well as undergraduate students. ■

NEWS FROM LASA

Brazil Resolution Is Approved

The resolution on Brazil approved by the Executive Council at its May 2016 meeting to be presented to the membership for a vote did meet the requirements specified by the LASA Bylaws and therefore passed.

As stated by the LASA by-laws, Article VI, Item #7: All proposed resolutions shall be automatically emailed for electronic voting to each individual who is a member during the year in which the Congress is held, no later than 15 days after the close of the Business Meeting. Votes must be received within sixty days of receipt of the email transmission. Twenty percent of the current LASA membership must vote regarding a proposed resolution and the majority must vote in favor of it for the resolution to pass. The results of the vote shall be posted in the subsequent issue of the LASA Forum and posted on the LASA Internet site.

Results

2016 individual members (as of August 9, 2016): 7,457

Total votes received: 2,589 or 35% of the membership

In favor: 2,263 or 87% of members voting

Against: 326 or 13% of members voting ■