

CALLING ALL MEMBERS

Elections 2017: Nominating Committee Slate

The LASA Nominating Committee presents the following slate of candidates: two candidates for vice president, two candidates for treasurer, and six candidates for three open positions on the Executive Council (EC). The winning candidate for vice president will serve in that capacity from June 1, 2017, to May 31, 2018; as president from June 1, 2018, to May 31, 2019; and as past president from June 1, 2019 to May 31, 2020. The winning candidate for treasurer will serve a three-year term from June 1, 2017, to May 31, 2020; and the three winning candidates for EC membership will serve a two-year term from June 1, 2017, to May 31, 2019.

Nominees for Vice President

Lynn Stephen

Anthropology, University of Oregon

Charles Walker

History, University of California, Davis

Nominees for Treasurer

Jean Grugel

Political Science, University of York, UK

Diego Sánchez-Ancochea

Economics, St. Antony's College, Oxford, UK

Nominees for Executive Council

Barbara Weinstein

History, New York University

Mauricio Archila

History, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Bogotá

Ginetta Candelario

Sociology, Smith College

Adrian Gurza Lavalle

Political Science, Universidade de São Paulo

Luis Cárcamo-Huechante

Literary and Cultural Studies, University of Texas at Austin

Angela Carneiro Araujo

Sociology/Political Science, Universidade Estadual de Campinas

The Candidates

Lynn Stephen

Lynn Stephen is Distinguished Professor of Arts and Sciences, professor of anthropology, and a participating faculty member in ethnic studies, Latin American studies, and women's and gender studies at the University of Oregon. She founded the Center for Latino/a and Latin American Studies (CLLAS, <http://cllas.uoregon.edu/>) and served as CLLAS director for nine years (2007–2016), chair of the Department of Anthropology (2001–2004), and co-coordinator for the Americas in a Globalized World “Big Idea” Strategic Initiative at the University of Oregon (2009–2011). From 1987 to 1998, she was an assistant, associate, and full professor at Northeastern University, and also a founder of the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Program and the Latino/a Student Cultural Center at Northeastern.

Her scholarly work centers on the impact of globalization, migration, nationalism, and the politics of culture on indigenous communities in the Americas. She engages political economy, ethnohistory, and ethnography to create a hemispheric lens on major challenges faced by indigenous peoples (out-migration, tourism, economic development, violence, and low-intensity war) and their creative responses to these challenges. Her work highlights indigenous epistemologies and the theoretical and methodological relevance of these to advancing our knowledge of human-environmental connectivity. She has also produced groundbreaking analysis on gender, economic development, and migration; globalization and social movements, indigenous autonomy, and the history of Latina/o communities spread across multiple borders through her

concept of transborder communities and migrations. She has a strong commitment to collaborative research projects that produce findings accessible to the wider public. In this vein, her work includes films such as *Sad Happiness: Cynthia's Transborder Journey* (<https://vimeo.com/154235511>) and websites (see <http://faceofoaxaca.uoregon.edu/introduction/>) as well as scholarly publications. She has authored or edited 121 books and three special journal issues and has published more than 80 scholarly articles.

Stephen has carried out fieldwork in Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay, and the United States. Her most recent books include *Somos la cara de Oaxaca: Testimonio y movimientos sociales* (CIESAS/UNAM, 2016), *We Are the Face of Oaxaca: Testimony and Social Movements* (Duke University Press, 2013), *Otros Saberes: Collaborative Research on Indigenous and Afro-Descendent Cultural Politics* (coedited with Charles R. Hale, School for American Research Press, 2013), and *Transborder Lives: Indigenous Oaxacans in Mexico, California, and Oregon* (Duke University Press, 2007).

She has been awarded fellowships by the National Endowment for Humanities (twice), the Center for U.S.- Mexican Studies at the University of California, San Diego (three times), the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Studies at Harvard University, the Mexican Academy of Sciences, as well as grants for research and development from the National Science Foundation, the Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research, the Ford Foundation, the U.S. Department of Education, and the Inter-American Foundation. She has also won national and international honors and book prizes from professional associations.

With colleagues and University of Oregon (UO) graduate and undergraduate students, Stephen built "Latino Roots," a fifteen-panel traveling exhibit (<http://cllas.uoregon.edu/research-action-projects/latino-roots/>), bilingual book, and 52 short documentaries that have reached more than 32,000 people in Oregon (see <http://latinoroots.uoregon.edu/our-course/>). Through her teaching and role as director of CLLAS at UO she has mentored dozens of students and faculty members. Her commitment to mentoring Latino and Native American and other minority students and faculty to diversify the academy was recognized by the University of Oregon with the 2010 Martin Luther King Jr. Award for contributions to equity and diversity.

She is currently engaged in two projects. The first is a book titled "Testimony, Social Memory, and the Public Sphere: Elena Poniatowska's Crónicas in Mexico." What role do testimony and testimonial writing play in creating social and historical memory? This question frames her project on Elena Poniatowska's *crónicas* and role as a political actor in Mexico. Sometimes described as testimonial narrative, the *crónica* form includes short reportorial essays written for newspapers and substantially longer pieces published as books. This book addresses how *crónica* writing and publishing intersects with key political events (and social memory of these events) to broaden the public sphere and create new political futures by changing ideas about who belongs in the nation.

Her second research project is in collaboration with Dr. Erin Beck (Political Science, UO) and Dr. Gabriela Martínez (Journalism and Communication, UO), exploring access to gendered justice for indigenous women in Guatemala and for Mam indigenous refugee women in the United States. This project asks: What are

the structural opportunities and challenges that facilitate and impede indigenous women's access to gendered justice in Guatemala and the United States? Stephen explores this question through comparative research on two routes to gendered justice that indigenous Guatemalan women utilize: specialized courts for Crimes of Femicide and other Forms of Violence against Women in Guatemala, and gender-based asylum processes in U.S. immigration courts. Fieldwork for this project is ongoing in several locations in Guatemala and the United States.

Stephen Statement

I attended my first LASA meeting in 1986 in Boston as a graduate student. It inspired me to dedicate myself to institution building on the LASA model of interdisciplinary, hemispheric collaboration and scholarship. Much of my professional academic life has been dedicated to creating new academic programs and research centers focused on Latin America, the Caribbean and Latino/a (now Latinx) studies. In Boston I served for three years on the Executive Committee of the New England Council of Latin American Studies (NECLAS) and attended many NECLAS meetings. I am particularly grateful for the opportunities I have had to help build Latin American and Latino/a studies at Northeastern University and at the University of Oregon, where no programs, majors, minors, or centers existed. Both of these efforts involved a deliberate hemispheric approach, placing Latin American and Latino/a studies in conversation and fostering collaboration and dialogue between scholars across the humanities and social sciences. With my colleague Carlos Aguirre at the University of Oregon, I served as co-principal investigator for a two-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education's

Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language Program (UISFL) that greatly strengthened our undergraduate curriculum, fostered strong ties with community, and resulted in rich exchanges through conferences, film series, and symposia.

Active in LASA since 1986, I served as a program chair for what was called the gender program track in Guadalajara in 1997, as well as chair for one of the first committees for the LASA/Oxfam Martin Diskin Distinguished Lectureships for two years. I was honored to receive the Martin Diskin Award in 2015 and to be on the Diskin Committee again for 2016. I served on the LASA Executive Committee from 2004 to 2007. I was co-coordinator with Charlie Hale for the Otros Saberes (Other Knowledges) Project of the Latin American Studies Association from 2004 to 2007, in which we raised funds for and helped mentor research teams of Afro-descendent and indigenous community members and academic researchers in Brazil, Ecuador, Colombia, Mexico, Nicaragua, and Puerto Rico. The work continued after the projects ended with the publication of a trilingual book, available open access online, *Otros Saberes: Collaborative Research on Indigenous and Afro-Descendent Cultural Politics* (Charles R. Hale, coeditor, School for American Research Press, 2013). I continue to see Otros Saberes as a unique and important initiative of LASA and a model for future endeavors that cultivate creative collaborations that value multiple forms of knowledge.

LASA has grown from 5,000 to 10,000 members and now hosts congresses once per year in many vibrant cities. This has allowed for many new participants from a wide range of countries and institutions to be a part of LASA. I am particularly committed to creating a culture in LASA

that is welcoming of new and younger scholars and continues to foster values of inclusivity and dialogue. I encourage the creation of fora for balanced and constructive exchange on many challenges that confront the hemisphere, now and into the future, such as increasing inequality, racism, gender violence, trade, authoritarianism, displacement, and global warming, while also continuing to nourish interdisciplinary humanities.

I place a particular emphasis on mentoring: I would create special mentoring panels that pair junior and senior scholars. Initiatives could explore the tension between interdisciplinary sensibilities and disciplinary grounding, as well as the tensions between scholarly productivity demands and how to be a public intellectual. Finally, LASA should attract, support, mentor, and more actively involve scholars from Latin America through grants, special sessions, bilingual initiatives, regional miniconferences, and other efforts. LASA 2019 may take place in Boston, and it would be my great pleasure to be your president where my love of LASA began.

Charles Walker

Charles Walker is professor of history and director of the Hemispheric Institute on the Americas (HIA) at the University of California (UC), Davis. He holds the MacArthur Foundation Endowed Chair in International Human Rights. He studied Latin American studies at UC Berkeley (BA) and Stanford University (MA) and has a PhD in history from the University of Chicago. He lived for a year during high school in Tucumán, Argentina, and spent a year as an undergraduate at Universidad Católica, Peru. He has lived in Peru for a total of ten years. He has been associated with Centro Bartolomé de Las

Casas in Cuzco since 1988 and taught at the Universidad Nacional San Antonio Abad del Cuzco, where he was named an honorary professor in 2014. For more than 15 years he has taken students on a summer abroad program to Cusco. He has also lived extensively in Spain.

His books include *Smoldering Ashes: Cuzco and the Transition from Colony to Republic, 1780-1840* (*De Túpac Amaru a Gamarra: Cuzco y la creación del Perú republicano*); *Shaky Colonialism: The 1746 Earthquake-Tsunami in Lima, Peru and Its Long Aftermath* (*Colonialismo en ruinas: Lima frente al terremoto y tsunami de 1746*); and *The Tupac Amaru Rebellion* (*La rebelión de Tupac Amaru*). The latter was named one of the top five history books in 2014 by the *Financial Times* and also won the Hundley Prize from the Pacific Branch of the American Historical Association. The Spanish translation, published by the Instituto de Estudios Peruanos, has gone through numerous editions and gained wide recognition. He has also coedited several volumes in Peru, including a compilation of his essays, *Diálogos con el Perú*, and, written and translated with Carlos Aguirre and Willie Hiatt, Alberto Flores Galindo's *Buscando un Inca/In Search of an Inca* (Cambridge University Press). In April 2017 Duke University Press will publish *The Lima Reader*, coedited with Carlos Aguirre.

He has been funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities, the University of California President's Fellowship in the Humanities, the American Council of Learned Societies, the Social Science Research Council, the American Philosophical Society, the Tinker Foundation, and the MacArthur Foundation. He has won two teaching prizes at UC Davis.

He is on the board of the UC Davis Program in Human Rights Studies. As director of UC Davis's HIA, he has created interdisciplinary programs and incorporated students and community members into the Institute's activities. HIA works closely with the AB 540 and Undocumented Student Center as well as the campus programs facilitating exchanges with Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Mexico, and other countries. He has developed short-term faculty exchanges with Pontificia Universidad Católica and Universidad Diego Portales in Chile, Universidad San Martín, Argentina (forthcoming), and Pontificia Universidad Católica, Peru. As director of HIA, he has co-organized three international conferences.

In collaboration with Professors Claudio Barrientos and Cristián Castro García, the Universidad Diego Portales (Chile), Walker hosted a multidisciplinary conference "Rethinking Latin American Studies" (Santiago, August 2014), with a follow-up meeting at the San Juan LASA meetings in 2015. The conference examined the concept of Latin American studies in the context of the slow decline of the Cold War, particularly its current relevance in Latin America itself. In 2013 he organized with Professor Emilio Kouri and the Center for Latin American Studies at the University of Chicago a two-day conference celebrating the life and work of Friedrich Katz. And in 2016 he put together with Herbert Klein a two-part conference on the Shining Path and contemporary Peru at the Hoover Institution (Stanford University) and UC Davis.

Walker has been active in LASA, serving on the Executive Committee from 2014 to 2016 as well as the 2009-2010 Nominations Committee. He is co-track chair with Marianne Braig for LASA's Barcelona meeting in 2017. His

article "'When Fear Rather than Reason Dominates,' Priests Behind the Lines in the Tupac Amaru Rebellion (1780-1783)" won the José María Arguedas Prize from the Peru Section in LASA 2013. He serves on editorial boards in Chile, Peru, Spain, and the United States, and is the "Northern and Andean South America" editor for the *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Latin American History* and book review editor for *Revista Andina*.

His research and teaching interests include social movements, natural disasters, environmental history, truth commissions, and sports and empire. He is currently beginning a book project on violence and the Shining Path.

Walker Statement

I was part of one of the first promociones to receive a BA in Latin American studies at UC Berkeley and then moved across the bay to the MA program in Latin American studies at Stanford University. As a graduate student in history at the University of Chicago, I worked closely with the Latin American Center there. Latin American studies have always defined my work, and LASA has been the professional organization closest to my heart.

I have been fortunate to have a thoughtful and innovative community of Latin Americanists at Davis. When I arrived twenty years ago, Charlie Hale, Carol Smith, and Stefano Varese had already overseen the creation of the Hemispheric Institute on the Americas (HIA), defining in the title its transnational and hemispheric nature. Graduate students already participated actively. Tom Holloway, former LASA president, helped transform the institute into a larger center.

As director of HIA for the past eight years, I have been able to continue a long-standing vision of broadly interdisciplinary scholarship and programming. HIA serves the entire campus and local community, including the often-overlooked undergraduates and staff, and works throughout Latin America. We collaborate with departments across campus. Our steering committee includes scholars from a variety of disciplines. HIA hosted the first all-California meeting of Latin American studies centers in 2011. We have initiated thriving short-term faculty exchange programs in Chile and Peru (with one upcoming in Argentina) and have sponsored a variety of events. With internal funds and support from the Tinker Foundation, HIA has supported more than 100 graduate students for summer research in the Americas. The international conferences on "Rethinking Latin American Studies," the Shining Path, and the life and work of Friedrich Katz underscore my commitment to interdisciplinarity and transnational perspectives.

In my own work, I have maintained strong ties in Chile, Mexico, Peru, Spain, and elsewhere. I have published widely in Peru, and I collaborate with students, scholars, journals, and NGOs throughout Latin America. As a graduate mentor, I have never sought to clone my own research but instead have pushed students to explore different methodologies and theoretical schools. I have or have had PhD students working on Cuba, indigenous Californians, Mexico, Central America, and much of South America, and I am currently chair of eight dissertation committees. I have been honored to serve in recent years on PhD committees at Notre Dame, New York University, the University of Texas, and the University of California, Santa Barbara, and on exam committees at the Colegio de México. In winter 2017, I will

teach a graduate course on memory, human rights, and violence in the Cultural Studies Department and Human Right program.

This is my vision of LASA: a community of scholars with a multidisciplinary, transnational focus that brings together not only different disciplines and perspectives but also serves as a forum for activists and professionals from or interested in Latin America. I have wholly supported the efforts to incorporate more participants from Latin America and the Caribbean in LASA and to hold conferences outside of the United States. I also support efforts to include Cuba. I was in Havana in February 2013, helping rebuild UC Davis's exchange program with Casa de las Américas and la Universidad de La Habana. LASA is already moving in the right direction, I believe, and I hope to have the opportunity to foster connections across the Americas.

Jean Grugel

Jean Grugel was appointed professor of development politics and director of the International Development Network at the University of York, UK, in 2016, having begun her academic career there in the 1980s. Before joining York, she was professor of politics, professor of international development, and head of the Department of Geography at the University of Sheffield, as well as founding director of the Sheffield Institute for International Development, and professor of global politics at the Open University. She is an associate fellow of the Institute of the Americas, University College London, a fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences and a fellow of the Royal Society of the Arts. She completed her PhD, which explored the evolution of nationalist and liberal ideas in Chile before the coup, in 1986 at the Institute of Latin American

Studies and the Department of Politics, the University of Liverpool; held a Leverhulme post-doc position at the Universidad Complutense de Madrid; and worked for several years at the Fundacion Ortega y Gasset in Madrid. She retains close links to colleagues in Spain.

Jean's academic interests converge around questions of citizenship, democracy and human rights, the political economy of Latin America and the politics of global and regional governance. She is the author of *Democratization: A Critical Introduction* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2002 and 2015, with Matthew Bishop), *The Politics of Poverty Reduction* (Oxford University Press, 2012, with Paul Mosley, Blessings Chiripanhura, and Ben Thirkell-White), *Critical Perspectives on Global Governance: Rights and Regulation in Governing Regimes* (Routledge, 2007, with Nicola Piper), *Franco's Spain* (Oxford University Press, 1997, with Tim Rees) and *Politics and Development in the Caribbean Basin: Central America and the Caribbean in the New World Order* (University of Indiana Press, 1995), a Choice Outstanding Academic Book. She has edited *The Handbook of International Development* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2016, with Dan Hammett), *Demanding Justice in the Global South* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2016, with Jojo Nem Singh, Lorenza Fontana and Anders Uhlin), *Democratization* (four volumes, Sage, 2013), *Governance after Neoliberalism in Latin America* (Palgrave Macmillan Studies of the Americas series, 2009, with Pia Riggirozzi), *Democracy Without Borders: Transnational and Non-State Actors in Eastern Europe, Africa and Latin America* (Routledge, 1999), and *Regionalism across the North-South Divide* (Routledge, 1998, with Wil Hout). She is also editor of the book series *International Development, Justice and Citizenship*, Palgrave Macmillan, London, which was

launched in 2015. Some of her recent articles appear in *Human Rights Quarterly*, *Nueva Sociedad*, *Pensamiento Propio*, *Migration Studies*, *World Development*, *Development Policy Review*, *Citizenship Studies*, *International Affairs*, *Global Governance*, *Progress in Development Studies*, *Journal of Latin American Studies*, *Third World Quarterly*, *Development and Change*, *Journal of International Development*, *Economy and Society*, and *International Sociology*. She has received grants for her research from the Economic and Social Research Council, the European Commission, the Nuffield Foundation, the British Council, the World University Network, and the Leverhulme Trust.

Jean has collaborated over many years with academic colleagues in Latin America and with a number of Latin American NGOs, especially around the promotion and protection of children's rights. In 2015, working jointly with FLACSO-Ecuador, she led a project on evaluating the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals in Latin America. She continues to collaborate with colleagues in Spain, including, most recently, in the 2016 book *EU Policy Responses to a Shifting Multilateral System* (edited by a Barcelona-based team, Esther Barbe, Oriol Costa, and Robert Kissack). She is currently working with UNICEF on children's unpaid care work and holds grants from the Arts and Humanities Research Council on Development Alternatives and from Natural Environment Research Council on Building Resilience in Coastal Colombia in the Face of Environmental Hazards. Her aim through these projects is to develop interdisciplinary and participatory methodologies and explore the potential for bringing academic and nonacademic actors together for research and activism.

Jean currently serves on the UK's Economic and Social Research Council's International Development Advisory Group and its Grants Assessment Panel. She was a member of the NORFACE Expert Group, Transformations to Sustainability in 2015. She has acted as a consultant to UNRISD, UNICEF and European Commission on children's rights and to the European Commission on aid to Latin America. She is a trustee of International Service and Hope and Homes for Children and was previously on the Board of Trustees of Childhope UK. She served as editor for several years of the *Bulletin of Latin American Research*, has examined more than 25 PhD theses, and is profoundly committed to ensuring that Latin American studies form an important part of the teaching curriculum in higher education in the UK.

Grugel Statement

To be nominated for the position of treasurer in LASA is an honor. If elected, I would serve colleagues and the global Latin American studies community to the best of my abilities. LASA is an extraordinary values-driven organization, as well as a forum for academic research and for interacting with friends and fellow researchers from across the world. To do its work well, it is important that its financial affairs are managed ethically and with probity and seriousness, and I would work hard to ensure that we continue to do that.

I think I have the administrative experience and competence to perform the role of treasurer well and feel confident that I would be able to deal with any challenges that might arise. I have considerable experience of managing budgets and of setting and meeting financial targets, having been head of a large university department and director of an institute. As a trustee of

charities I have reviewed financial plans, projections, and investments and supported organizations though sometimes difficult times, in terms of income. As a panel member of a grants-giving body, I regularly judge applications for value for money as well as academic merit. I have also chaired numerous appointment committees and sat on confidential university panels.

My intellectual makeup is fundamentally interdisciplinary. I have a BA in English and history, a PhD in Latin American studies and politics, and I have taught in geography, politics, and Latin American studies departments. I have worked with economists, geographers, sociologists, historians, ecologists, and natural scientists. Before becoming an academic, I worked in an NGO dedicated to Latin America and I continue to collaborate closely with international development NGOs. My background reflects LASA's own identity as an academically diverse, activist organization. I am British but I am also European, and I am acutely aware that the upheavals that we are experiencing across so much of Europe as we struggle with our identity, our place in the world, the challenges of austerity, and the difficulties of upholding our long-standing traditions of refuge make it all the more urgent for us, as academics, to prioritize international solidarity and collaboration.

LASA plays an important role in assisting scholars and practitioners from across the world with shared interests to come together. It supports the engagement of Latin American scholars and activists with North American and European colleagues, as well as promoting the study of the region from graduate level onwards and championing interdisciplinary research. I would see my role as treasurer chiefly to be that of making certain that our financial position is robust enough to enable us

to meet these commitments now and for the future, and to continue to ensure that the activities we financially support are as inclusive as possible. Throughout my career, and especially when taking on executive roles, I have tried to promote equality and diversity and protect the interests of graduate students and early-career academics, and I would bring a commitment to continuing to do so to this role. I would try as best I can to ensure that LASA conferences remain as open as possible to Latin Americanists at all stages of their career, but most especially to younger colleagues and scholars and activists based in Latin America.

I seek the support of colleagues for election to this important position and promise, if elected, to respect our traditions of diversity, justice, and equality and, at the same time, to oversee the ethical and effective management of our finances so that we can confidently continue to deliver our mission in the future.

Diego Sanchez-Ancochea

Diego Sánchez-Ancochea is director of the Latin American Centre, associate professor in the political economy of Latin America at the University of Oxford, and member of St Antony's College. Before joining Oxford in 2008, he was senior lecturer at the Institute for the Study of the Americas, University of London.

Sánchez-Ancochea completed his BA (1997) and MPA (1998) in Madrid at the Universidad Complutense in Madrid and the Instituto Ortega y Gasset. He received his PhD in economics at the New School for Social Research in 2004.

He has collaborated with many universities in Europe and Latin America. He has been

visiting researcher or lecturer at FLACSO-Dominican Republic, the Universidad de Costa Rica, FLACSO-México, the University of Economics in Prague, the Universidad de Salamanca, and the program Desigualdades at Freie Universität Berlin.

Sánchez-Ancochea is currently co-editor of the *Journal of Latin American Studies* and associate editor of *Oxford Development Studies*. He was member of the management committee of the Society of Latin American Studies (UK) between 2004 and 2008, coordinator of the Globalization and Socio-Economic Development network at the Society for the Advancement of Socioeconomics (SASE) between 2007 and 2013, and member of the Latin American Program Board at the Research Council of Norway between 2008 and 2012. At LASA, he was co-chair of the Economics and Politics Section between 2007 and 2010 as well as member of the Program Committee for the LASA International Congress (for the Economics track) on two occasions.

Sánchez-Ancochea's research concentrates on income inequality, social policy, and economic transformation in Latin America. In recent years he has explored with Juliana Martínez Franzoni (Universidad de Costa Rica) different dimensions of social policy in Latin America and beyond. Sánchez-Ancochea and Martínez Franzoni began their collaboration with the publication of a special issue on Latin American capitalism in *Economy and Society* in 2009. The special issue, which evaluated changes in social policy and economic models in the region since the 1990s, was also co-edited by Maxine Molyneux. Sánchez-Ancochea and Martínez Franzoni have also published the monograph *Good Jobs and Social Services: How Costa Rica Achieved the Elusive Double Incorporation*

(Palgrave Macmillan, 2013) as well as papers on social and market incorporation (in *Development Policy Review*) and universal social policy (in *Latin American Politics and Society*, *Latin American Research Review*, and *Revista Uruguaya de Ciencias Políticas*). Their most recent book, *The Quest for Universal Social Policy in the South: Actors, Ideas and Architectures* (Cambridge University Press, 2016), explores the political requirements for the creation and expansion of universal social policies in Latin America and other parts of the South.

Sánchez-Ancochea has also edited volumes on Central America, such as *Handbook of Central American Governance* (Routledge, 2013) with Salvador Martí. This was a truly collaborative project, which involved researchers from Central America, the United States, and Europe.

Sánchez-Ancochea is committed to enhancing collaboration between researchers in Latin America, Europe, and the United States. With this purpose, he has collaborated in two different Ford-LASA funded projects. The first one, directed by Eva Paus, explored the "middle income trap" in Latin America and other developed and developing countries. Together with Juliana Martínez Franzoni and Rossana Castiglioni, he is now developing a Latin American research network of social policy that will expand collaborative projects and conversations between researchers in different parts of the world.

Sánchez-Ancochea Statement

I am honored to be nominated as candidate for treasurer of the Latin American Studies Association. Since first joining in Dallas in 2003 as a graduate student, I have benefited year after year from all the possibilities that LASA brings: the

chance to discuss research projects, foster multidisciplinary collaborations, participate in policy debates, and meet friends. This nomination constitutes an exciting opportunity to work in strengthening LASA even more from the inside.

LASA is a well-funded organization, thanks to the effective work of the Executive Council, past treasurers, and the Investment Advisory Committee. The ability to fund-raise and manage the endowment carefully has allowed us to provide a large number of travel grants, facilitate participation of researchers from across the Americas, and support collaborative research efforts. The Executive Committee has also used LASA's 50th anniversary effectively to expand our resources even more.

I look forward to working with LASA's fantastic administrative team and academic colleagues in sustaining all these successes. We should identify new funding sources in the United States and in other regions so as to expand our travel grants for graduate students and junior academics. This is particularly important at a time when Latin American countries are experiencing low rates of economic growth, decreasing funding support for academics across the region. I look forward to continuing all the fund-raising initiatives launched during the 50th anniversary as well as working with all our current and past funders.

As a beneficiary of the LASA-Ford program, I also know how important it is to have research funds to promote interregional collaboration. We should reach out to philanthropic foundations and other public and private institutions and explain our significant accomplishments with that program. Hopefully we can then raise more resources to support multicountry and multidisciplinary

exchanges and special events during our Congresses.

We should also continue our current strategy of investing a large share of our endowment in socially responsible funds. This way we remain true to our commitment to social and environmental justice while maintaining healthy rates of return.

Finally, I look forward to supporting the organization of the first LASA Congress in Europe in 2018. Our gathering in Barcelona will be a unique opportunity to foster bridges between researchers and institutions in Europe, Latin America, and the United States. To be truly successful, we should raise even more funds than in other years to support expensive transatlantic flights. I hope to use my networks in Spain and the United Kingdom to promote the conference on this historic occasion and to fund-raise so as to support a large number of students and researchers from the Americas.

Barbara Weinstein

Barbara Weinstein is Silver Professor of History and former chair of the Department of History at New York University, and past president of the American Historical Association. After graduating from Samuel J. Tilden High School in Brooklyn, she did her undergraduate studies at Princeton University (history/Latin American studies) with Peter Winn and Stanley J. Stein, and then did her doctorate in history at Yale University, where she worked with the eminent Brazilian historian, Emilia Viotti da Costa.

She has also held continuing positions at Vanderbilt University, Stony Brook

University, and the University of Maryland, and has taught as a Fulbright Professor at the University of Campinas (1983), and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem (1993). Her publications include *The Amazon Rubber Boom, 1850–1920* (Stanford University Press, 1983), written as a critique of the dependentista interpretation of “boom/bust” export economies; and *For Social Peace in Brazil: Industrialists and the Remaking of the Working Class in São Paulo, 1920–1964* (University of North Carolina Press, 1996), a study that emphasized the engagement of Brazilian industrialists with “modern” and “rationalizing” strategies for the formation of disciplined worker-citizens. She is co-editor and contributor to *The Making of the Middle Class: Toward a Transnational History* (Duke University Press, 2012), and her most recent book-length study, on race and regional identity in Brazil, was published in 2015 by Duke University Press as *The Color of Modernity: São Paulo and the Making of Race and Nation in Brazil*; it has been awarded the Roberto Reis Prize from BRASA and the Warren Dean Prize from the Conference of Latin American History. She has received support for her research from the National Endowment for the Humanities, Fulbright-CIES, Fulbright-Hays, the John Simon Guggenheim Foundation, and the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study.

Her articles and essays have appeared in the *American Historical Review*, *Hispanic American Historical Review* (HAHR), *International Labor and Working-Class History* (ILWCH), *Journal of Women’s History*, *Radical History Review*, *International Review of Social History*, *The Americas*, *Entrepasados*, *Años 90*, and *Revista Brasileira de História*, among others. She was a senior editor of the *HAHR* in 2002–2007, and is currently co-editor of the *Radical Perspectives* book

series for Duke University Press. In 2007 she served as president of the American Historical Association, the first historian of Brazil to be elected to that position since the AHA was founded in 1884. During her tenure she gave priority to issues involving freedom of movement for scholars (which was being threatened by new U.S. Homeland Security regulations), open access to government records, and the need to continue shifting the field of history away from its traditional northern-hemisphere focus. She also spearheaded a successful effort to put a proposal before the AHA membership (that passed with overwhelming support) to criticize the U.S. invasion of Iraq and its implications for the free and open exchange of ideas, and in the past two years has actively campaigned for the AHA to register its concern regarding the treatment of Palestinian faculty and students by the Israeli government.

She recently began a new research project, a biography, that is focused on the political and intellectual trajectory of Frank Tannenbaum, who first made his mark as an anarchist leader in New York City and then became a pioneering historian of the Mexican Revolution and of slavery and race relations in the Americas, while also making pathbreaking contributions to the fields of criminology and labor studies, and founding Columbia’s University Seminars. Her many doctoral advisees have included students from the United States, Canada, Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Peru, and Spain, and she regularly serves as supervisor or sponsor for visiting Brazilian doctoral and postdoctoral scholars.

Weinstein Statement

I began attending LASA meetings in the late 1970s, and one of the most encouraging developments for me has been the dramatic increase in the number of scholars based at

institutions in Latin America, and outside of North America broadly speaking, who regularly attend and present their work at the meetings. As a member of the Executive Council I would be particularly eager to participate in additional efforts to expand the hemispheric and transnational reach of LASA, both with regard to its annual meetings and its various publications. Within this ongoing initiative, I would make a special effort to make sure that Brazilian scholars and Portuguese speakers feel welcome within LASA, and I would support designating resources for scholars from historically underrepresented groups. I would also like to take up (again) the question of scholarly mobility, which was a major issue during my term as president of the AHA, and address specifically the way in which discriminatory visa requirements create inequities in access to scholarly meetings and research facilities. Finally, while I think LASA should be as open and inclusive as possible with regard to its annual meeting program, I also regard it as entirely appropriate for LASA, as an organization, to express its support, opposition, or concern regarding political developments in the hemisphere; I do not think LASA's scholarly mission can be entirely divorced from political and ethical issues, many of which have clear implications for educational and intellectual life.

Mauricio Archila

Historiador colombiano egresado de la Universidad Javeriana, Bogotá en 1975, con Master en Economía y Recursos Humanos por la misma Universidad en 1980, y Ph.D. en Historia por la Universidad del Estado de Nueva York (SUNY), Stony Brook, en 1991. El área de especialización es la historia social contemporánea de América Latina y Colombia.

A partir de 1978 hasta el presente ha enseñado de tiempo completo de la Universidad Nacional de Colombia, sede Bogotá, donde actualmente tiene el rango de Profesor Titular desde 2003. Ha sido profesor visitante del Instituto de Estudios Iberoamericanos (ILAIS) de Columbia University, Nueva York, enero–julio de 1998; del Instituto de Antropología e Historia de México, junio de 2002; de la Universidad de los Andes de Mérida, Venezuela, noviembre de 2002; del Colegio de México, septiembre–diciembre de 2006; de la Universidad Andina Simón Bolívar (UASB), en Quito, Ecuador, en mayo de 2008 y abril de 2015, y en la Universidad de Integración Latinoamericana (UNILA), en Foz de Iguaçu, Brasil, septiembre de 2015.

Es autor de artículos en revistas nacionales e internacionales y de libros sobre historia de la clase obrera en Colombia a principios de siglo XX, sobre movimientos sociales en la segunda mitad del siglo XX y de reflexiones historiográficas y teóricas sobre el oficio del historiador, dentro de los que se destacan:

De su autoría: *Aquí nadie es forastero* (Bogotá: CINEP, 1986), *Barranquilla y el Río* (Bogotá: CINEP, 1987), *Ni amos ni siervos* (Bogotá: CINEP, 1989), *Cultura e identidad obrera: Colombia 1910–1945* (Bogotá: CINEP, 1991), e *Idas y venidas, vueltas y revueltas: Protestas sociales en Colombia, 1958–1990* (Bogotá: ICANH/CINEP, 2003). Este último mereció el Premio Nacional en Ciencias Sociales en Colombia de 2004.

También ha contribuido a obras conjuntas como *La nueva historia de Colombia* (Bogotá: Planeta, 1989), *La historia al final del milenio* (Bogotá: Universidad Nacional, 1994), *Pensar el pasado* (Bogotá: Archivo General, 1998), *Los*

usos de la historia de vida en las ciencias sociales (Barcelona: Anthropos, 1998), *Movimientos estudiantiles en la historia de América Latina* (México: UNAM, 1999), *Movimientos sociales, Estado y democracia* (Bogotá: CES-ICANH, 2001), *25 años de luchas sociales en Colombia, 1975–2000* (Bogotá: CINEP, 2002), *Conflictos, poderes e identidades en el Magdalena Medio, 1990–2001* (Bogotá, CINEP, 2006), *En la encrucijada: Colombia en el siglo XX* (Bogotá: Normal Universidad de los Andes, 2006), *Cuatro décadas de compromiso académico en la construcción de la nación* (Bogotá: Universidad Nacional, 2006), *Pensamiento colombiano del siglo XX* (Bogotá: Instituto Pensar/Universidad Javeriana, 2007), *Izquierda y socialismo en América Latina* (Bogotá: Universidad Nacional, 2008), *Historia de las ideas políticas* (Bogotá: Taurus, 2008), al Volumen VII de *Historia general de América Latina* (Paris: UNESCO/Trotta, 2008), *Bananeras 80 años: Huelga y masacre* (Bogotá: Universidad Nacional, 2009), *Una historia inconclusa: Izquierdas sociales y políticas en Colombia* (Bogotá: CINEP, 2009), *Movimiento indígena caucano: Historia y política* (Tunja: Universidad Santo Tomas, 2010), *Temas y procesos de la historia reciente de América Latina* (Santiago de Chile: Arcis/CLACSO, 2010), *Colombia, preguntas y respuestas sobre su pasado y presente* (Bogotá: Universidad de los Andes, 2010), *Historia de la vida privada* (Bogotá: Taurus, 2011), *Desarrollo, desigualdades y conflictos sociales: una perspectiva desde América Latina* (Lima: Instituto de Estudios Peruanos, 2011), *La voluntad indómita* (Bogotá: Universidad del Rosario, 2012), *Historia cultural desde Colombia* (Bogotá: Universidades Nacional/Los Andes/Javeriana, 2012), *Violencia contra los sindicalistas del cual fue coordinador* (Bogotá: CINEP, 2012), *Independencia: Historia diversa* (Bogotá:

Universidad Nacional, 2012), al Vol. 7 de la *Historia de América Andina*, del cual fue editor (Quito: Universidad Andina, 2013), a *CINEP 40 años: Una apuesta por lo imposible* (Bogotá: CINEP, 2013), *Experimentar en la izquierda: historias de militancia en América Latina, 1950–1990* (Buenos Aires: CLACSO, 2013), *Cultura de izquierda, violencia y política en América Latina* (Buenos Aires: CLACSO, 2015) y al reciente libro que también coordinó “*Hasta cuando soñemos*”: *Extractivismo e interculturalidad en el sur de La Guajira* (Bogotá: CINEP/Colciencias, 2015).

Además ha publicado abundantes artículos y ensayos en revistas como *Hispanic American Historical Review* (HAHR), *Labor, Alternatives Sud*, *Historia Social*, *Nueva Sociedad*, *Anuario Colombiano de Historia Social y de la Cultura* (de la cual fue director por varios años), *Historia Crítica*, *Tempo e Argumento*, *Revista Foro*, *Historia y Sociedad*, *Memoria e Historia*, *Observatorio Social de América Latina* (OSAL), *Revista Javeriana*, *Logos*, *CEPA*, *Revista de Ciencias Sociales* (CS), *Credencial Historia*, *Semana*, *Le Monde Diplomatique* (Edición Colombia), *Razón Pública*, *Palabras al Margen*, *Memoria y Sociedad*, *Cien Días vistos por CINEP y Controversia* (de la cual es actualmente director).

Archila Statement

Desde mi vinculación a LASA desde hace más de veinte años he buscado impulsar el diálogo de saberes no solo entre las academias norteamericana y latinoamericana, sino entre distintas disciplinas.

Como latinoamericanista nacido en Colombia pero que cursé el doctorado en una universidad norteamericana experimenté lo que es pertenecer a dos

mundos diferentes pero que se conectaban. Este no es solo mi caso, sino en el de muchos latinoamericanos que estaban en el norte del continente, así como de muchos norteamericanos que viajaban al sur y se acercaban a nuestra problemática realidad. Mi experiencia fue la de un contraste entre culturas y prácticas académicas, que se articulaban, no sin tensiones, en los sucesivos congresos de LASA en los que he participado.

Pero el diálogo de saberes no se refiere solo a esa interacción espacial, cultural y académica entre el norte y el sur de nuestro continente, también se orienta a prácticas interdisciplinarias como las que desde hace tiempo adelanto al incursionar en la llamada historia del tiempo presente y servirme de metodologías como la etnografía para mis recientes pesquisas. De hecho he asumido cada vez más un compromiso con los movimientos sociales con los que trabajo en su reconstrucción histórica, buscando formas más horizontales y participativas de investigación colaborativa con ellos. Esta es otra forma de impulsar los diálogos de saberes.

Por todo ello asumí el reto que me propuso la actual presidente de LASA, Joanne Rappaport, para coordinar el siguiente congreso de la asociación bajo el lema de “Diálogo de saberes”. Con mucho entusiasmo y con la colaboración de Juliet Hooker hemos adelantado la labor de organizar el congreso de Lima en 2017.

Es mi propósito servir en el Comité Ejecutivo de LASA dentro de la misma perspectiva que he anunciado, tratando de impulsar diálogos interculturales e interdisciplinarios a favor de los miembros de LASA y de esa forma contribuir a su fortalecimiento. Pero también pretendo proyectarla más allá de su actual

membresía, buscando que se integren más académicos sobre todo los colegas latinoamericanos.

Ginetta Candelario

In addition to being an associate professor of sociology, Ginetta Candelario is a faculty affiliate of the Latin American and Latina/o Studies Program (LALS), the Study of Women and Gender Program, and the Concentration on Community Engagement and Social Change, and she also serves on the advisory group for the Gloria Steinem & Wilma Mankiller School for Organizers at Smith College. She has directed the LALS Program several times, most recently from 2011 to 2014, and is the founding vice president of the National Latin@ Studies Association (LSA). She is a founding Executive Committee member of the New England Consortium for Latina/o Studies (NECLS), in which capacity she is organizing and hosting the 2016–2017 meetings at Smith College. The American Sociological Association (ASA) appointed Candelario to its Committee on Professional Ethics for 2017–2019, and she has also served the ASA as Culture Section Program track chair. Finally, she was elected as the Gender Section co-chair and the Latino Studies Section co-chair for the Latin American Studies Association (LASA), and was appointed twice to serve as the Latina/o Studies Program track chair.

Candelario’s research interests include Dominican history and society, with a focus on national identity formation and women’s history; blackness in the Americas; Latin American, Caribbean and Latina feminisms; Latina/o communities (particularly Cuban, Dominican, and Puerto Rican); U.S. beauty culture; and museum studies. She has been a Fulbright

Scholar in the Dominican Republic twice, in 2003 and 2016.

Her current research is on Dominican feminist thought and activism, 1880–1961, which she is developing into a book-length study, tentatively titled “Voices Echoing beyond the Seas: Dominican Feminisms, from Transatlantic to Transnational (1882–1942).” She recently published *Cien años de feminismo dominicanos, 1861–1961: Una colección de documentos y escrituras claves en la formación y evolución del pensamiento y el movimiento feminista en la República Dominicana, 1865–1965* (Santo Domingo, RD: Archivo General de la Nación, 2016) with April Mayes (Pomona College) and Elizabeth Manley (Xavier University). *Cien años* is a 1,555-page primary documents collection organized in two volumes: *Tomo I: El fuego tras las ruinas, 1865–1931* and *Tomo II: Las siempre fervientes devotas, 1931–1965*.

Her first book, *Black behind the Ears: Dominican Racial Identity from Museums to Beauty Shops*, was published by Duke University Press in 2007 and received the 2009 Best Book Award from the Latino Studies Section of the Latin American Studies Association and the 2008 Best Book Award from the New England Council of Latin American Studies. Her 2005 edited volume, *Miradas desencadenantes: Los estudios de género en la República Dominicana al inicio del tercer milenio*, was the first published collection of gender and women’s studies research in the Dominican Republic and spurred a biennial publication series by the Center for Gender Studies (CEG) at the Instituto Tecnológico in Santo Domingo.

Candelario’s work has also appeared in interdisciplinary journals such as *Latino Studies*, *West Indian Guide*,

Small Axe, *Meridians: Feminism, Race, Transnationalism*, *Phoebe*, and in *Latina/o studies* anthologies, including *Keywords in Latino Studies*; *Oxford Dictionary of Caribbean and Afro-Latin American Biography*; *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Latinos and Latinas in Contemporary Politics, Law and Social Movements*; *The Afro-Latino Reader*; *The Dominican Republic Reader*; and *A Companion to Latina/o Studies*, among others.

She also serves on the editorial boards of several journals, including *Meridians: Feminism, Race, Transnationalism*, and *Latin American and Caribbean Ethnicities*, and has written published and unpublished peer reviews for *Gender and Society*, *Caribbean Studies*, *Callaloo*, *West Indian Review*, *Americas Quarterly*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *The Black Scholar*, *Latino Studies*, *American Ethnologist*, *Ethnic Studies*, and *Social Problems*, as well as for many university presses.

She has been teaching community-based learning and research courses on the sociology of Hispanic Caribbean communities in the United States in collaboration with a dozen Holyoke, Massachusetts, community-based organizations and nonprofits for more than a decade, for which she has received various awards. These include the Antonia Pantoja Community Champion Award from the Latino Scholarship Fund in 2006 and the Five College Community-Based Learning faculty member of the year in 2008. In October 2012 she was selected by Governor Deval Patrick to give the keynote address for the opening ceremonies of Hispanic Heritage Month in Massachusetts. She has also served on the executive board of Enlace de Familias and the Carlos Vega Social Justice Fund, both in Holyoke.

Candelario Statement

I have been an ongoing member of LASA since I was in graduate school in the early 1990s. Over the course of that time, in addition to presenting at and attending every LASA Congress over the past 20 years, I have also served the association in a variety of both elected and appointed capacities. I have been a member of the Latino Studies Section (LSS) since its inception, and was elected co-chair of the LSS from 2003 to 2004. Subsequently, in 2006 and 2008, I acted as program track chair for Latino Studies at the invitation of the Executive Council, and in 2012 served on the Latino Studies Program Track Book Award Committee.

I was also elected U.S. co-chair of the Gender and Feminist Studies Section (GFS) for 2006 to 2007. In that capacity I organized the full day pre-conference, “Excavating Latin American Feminism: Theory, Thought, and Alternative Knowledges,” September 4, 2007. I have sustained my membership in the GFS throughout the years as well, including presenting at and attending the pre-conference, most recently at the New York Congress. I was also invited to be a member of the LASA Executive Council Nominations Committee in 2008. Finally, I have been a long-standing member of the Hispaniola Section, as well as the Ethnicity, Race, and Indigenous Peoples Section.

As a sociologist by training, I have been a decades-long member of the American Sociological Association (ASA), serving in a variety of appointed and elected roles from Culture Section track chair to my most recent appointment to the Committee on Professional Ethics.

In addition to my work with and for LASA and the ASA, a good part of my service

to the profession in the United States has focused on Latin American and Latin@ studies at and beyond Smith. From my work as Director of the Latin American & Latin@ Studies Program on various occasions since 2008, to representing Smith on the Five College Latin American, Caribbean and Latino Studies Committee, to my years-long participation in the development of the Five Colleges Latin@ Studies major, I have contributed actively to the local purchase of each of the fields encompassed by these endeavors. I have also worked actively as a founding member of the New England Consortium for Latin@ Studies (NECLS) Leadership Team. Indeed, I am hosting the Sixth Biannual Meetings of NECLS at Smith in October 2016 and April 2017. All of this is likely why I was elected founding vice president of the Latina/o Studies Association (LSA).

The LSA Executive Committee, which I am proud to be a part of (until March 2017), has successfully accomplished the herculean task of building a national learned society from the ground up, with a miniscule start-up fund and working virtually across three (and sometimes four) time zones. Our successful agenda spanned from developing a mission statement to writing bylaws to incorporating to successfully applying for nonprofit status to developing a professionally designed website. We also organized an extremely successful major national conference with more than 500 participants that took place in Pasadena, California, from July 7 to 9, 2016, and we recently accepted a bid for the 2018 conference to be hosted by Washington, DC-area colleges and universities. Currently we are working on developing an elections process and slate of candidates for the next Executive Committee, which will assume office in March 2017.

All of which is to say that I bring ample experience in service to the profession via learned societies such as LASA. I envision my role on the LASA Executive Council to include strengthening existing and building new bridges between LASA and Latina/o Studies scholars and scholarship. Likewise, as a member of the Caribbean Studies Association, Transnational Hispaniola and the Haitian Studies Association, I am particularly concerned with supporting the presence, participation, and representation of Caribbeanists from across the language regions in LASA. Finally, as a transnational feminist scholar whose work focuses on race and ethnicity (especially blackness and the black diaspora) in the Americas, I bring a sustained commitment to hemispheric frameworks for understanding and addressing the ongoing legacies of colonialism, slavery, and imperialism.

Adrian Gurza Lavalle

Adrian Gurza Lavalle (born in Mexico City in 1965) is associated professor of the Political Science Department at the University of São Paulo (USP) where he teaches in both the Undergraduate Program in Social Sciences and the Graduate Program in Political Science. He has a bachelor's degree in public administration and political science from the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM, 1989) and a master's degree in sociology from UNAM (1996) as well. He holds a PhD in political science from USP (2001) and engaged in postdoctoral studies at the Institute of Development Studies (IDS, 2005), University of Sussex, working on new patterns of interest intermediation across Latin America. Currently he is principal researcher at the Center for Metropolitan Studies (CEM, 2008–present) and researcher at the Brazilian Center for Analysis and Planning (CEBRAP, 1999–

present), both in São Paulo, and fellow-researcher (1D) of the National Council of Technological and Scientific Development (CNPq).

He is chief editor of *Revista Brasileira de Ciências Sociais*, one of the most important and traditional social sciences journals in Brazil. He is humanities and social sciences elected councilor of the Advisory Committee of SciELO-Brazil, worldwide leading open access publisher, and he is in the second mandate as director of publications and board member of the Social Sciences Research and Graduate Courses National Association (ANPOCS) (2015–2018). He has been co-editor of *Lua Nova*, a leading Brazilian journal on social and political theory, and member of the editorial board of *Novos Estudos* and *Espaço e Debates*. He has been research director at CEBRAP (2008–2011) and member of the Management Committee of the Development Research Centre for the Future State, based at the IDS (2007–2010). He has been visiting professor at the Centre for the Study of Democratic Institutions (2013), University of British Columbia, and at the Center for Political and Constitutional Studies (2012), Madrid. His research interests are placed in the interface between democratic theory and political sociology, and he has been working on comparative politics focusing on civil society politics, development, and capabilities, and on participatory institutions. Theoretically, his focus is on democratic theory, and theories of representation and public sphere. He recently organized, as invited editor, the journal issue *El control democrático del Estado en Latinoamérica* (Desacatos, 2015, co-edited with Ernesto Isunza).

His most recent edited books are *O papel da teoria política contemporânea: Justiça, constituição, democracia e representação*

(São Paulo: Alameda, 2015), co-edited with Álvaro de Vita e Cícero Araújo), *La innovación democrática en América Latina - Participación, representación y control Social* (México: CIESAS, 2010, co-edited with Ernesto Isunza), and *O Horizonte da Política - Questões Emergentes e Agendas de Pesquisa* (São Paulo : UNESP/CEM/CEBRAP, 2012; published in Spanish by CIESAS). His authored books are *Vida pública e identidade nacional: Leituras brasileiras* (São Paulo: Editora Globo, 2004), *Estado, sociedad y medios: Reivindicación de lo público* (México: Plaza y Valdés/UIA, 1998), and *La reestructuración de lo público: El caso Conasupo* (México: UNAM/ ENEP Acatlán, 1994). Full CV available on <http://buscatextual.cnpq.br/buscatextual/busca.do?metodo=apresentar>.

Gerza Lavalle Statement

For me, as for many other scholars and researchers working in and on Latin America, LASA feels pretty much like home, and this is not a trivial achievement. As the most important association devoted to Latin American studies, LASA has had to face three challenges, while growing amazingly and keeping vitality of intellectual exchange between its members from different academic fields and communities.

A first challenge is tensions arising from geopolitics of knowledge production. It used to be common for Latin American and Caribbean scholars to play subordinate roles as providers of empirical evidence, partners of projects, and participants of institutions focusing on Latin America but managed by northern scholars. Nowadays, LASA has become an association for and run by scholars working on Latin America all over the Americas. Likewise, language, be it English, Spanish, or Portuguese,

is not a barrier to communication as it is in many international professional associations. A second challenge is tensions arising from different understandings of what is relevant knowledge and how it should be produced. Although there may not exist something that could be called Latin American scholarship, attentive observers as well as those of us who were trained in Latin American universities can recognize a regional affinity regarding the roles that context, history, and culture tend to have in what is deemed as meaningful explanations. Disciplinary epistemologies place different value in context, history, and culture according to their commitment to produce causal explanation or deep comprehension as relevant knowledge, but in LASA, humanities and social sciences come together, offering distinctive contributions to enrich our understanding of the diverse and multidisciplinary subjects covered by Latin American studies. A third challenge is tensions arising from the different political engagements of LASA members in its home countries and in the region as a whole.

The region has witnessed major political and socioeconomic transformations in the last 50 years, let alone those of demographic nature. Those transformations have been fought for and against by political parties, social movements, organizations, and intellectuals. LASA is a plural association and receives legitimate pressures to state its institutional positions. Two LASA features deserve attentions here. On the one hand, LASA has not hesitated to state publicly clear positions when it comes to human rights and whenever it is appropriate according to its constitutions and bylaws, as when decided to organize LASA Congress outside United States because of visa restrictions to Cuban participants. On the other hand, LASA has clear institutional norms and

procedures to deal with more controversial issues. However, this is not a statement of a Pollyanna. Those are tensions and a continuous effort must be made in order to find balance. For instance, I'm afraid that in the coming years, both features just mentioned will be tested continuously as a conservative shift takes place in different countries. If elected, I'll work to keep LASA being a home for the intellectual endeavor of increasing our collective knowledge about Latin America.

Luis Cárcamo-Huechante

Luis E. Cárcamo-Huechante es actualmente Profesor Asociado y Director del programa en Native American and Indigenous Studies en la Universidad de Texas, Austin, EE.UU. Además, es miembro fundador de la Comunidad de Historia Mapuche, un colectivo de investigadores mapuche asentado en Temuco, sur de Chile. Es uno de los autores del libro *Ta iñ fijke xipa rakizuameluwün: Historia, colonialismo y resistencia desde el país Mapuche* (Ediciones Comunidad de Historia Mapuche, 2012) y co-editor de *Awükan ka kuxankan zugu Wajmapu mew: Violencias coloniales en Wajmapu* (Temuco: Ediciones Comunidad de Historia Mapuche, 2015). Durante su primera etapa de investigación y crítica, escribió sobre las relaciones de literatura, cultura y mercado en la era neoliberal. Así, el año 2007 publicó su libro *Tramas del mercado: Imaginación económica, cultura pública y literatura en el Chile de fines del siglo veinte* (Editorial Cuarto Propio); y, ese mismo año, co-editó en Argentina, en colaboración con Alvaro Fernández Bravo y Alejandra Laera, el libro de ensayos *El valor de la cultura: Arte, literatura y mercado en América Latina* (Beatriz Viterbo Editora). En su investigación actual, se enfoca en el estudio de las relaciones entre territorio, sonido

y representación en el uso mapuche de la escritura literaria, la radio y los medios audio-visuales, situando dicha creatividad cultural mapuche contemporánea en tanto respuesta y resistencia al colonialismo. De este modo, su quehacer investigativo entrecruza elaboraciones provenientes de los emergentes estudios de sonido, estudios indígenas y pensamiento anti-colonial. Para mayor información, ver: <http://www.utexas.edu/cola/depts/spanish/faculty/lc25292>.

Luis Cárcamo-Huechante Statement

Un primer objetivo de mi aporte en el Comité Ejecutivo de LASA es ayudar a imaginar más y nuevas modalidades de colaboración con y desde América Latina, al igual que fomentar los contactos ya de larga data o emergentes del continente con Asia, África y sus diásporas. Creo que debemos seguir perseverando en superar los “límites” de todo tipo —desde económicos y administrativos hasta de mentalidad y visión— que muchas veces obstruyen el objetivo de lograr que LASA se legitime como un foro abierto al Sur local y global. Segundo, me interesa continuar promoviendo la diversidad cultural, étnica, racial, genérica, física y geográfica en la definición de las rutas, los espacios y los proyectos de LASA. Como investigador y docente de origen mapuche, la lucha del Pueblo Mapuche ha conmovido y enriquecido mi modo de hacer academia. De allí que me siento comprometido en el proceso de forjar espacios que permitan que, en instancias como LASA, las voces de pueblos, comunidades, territorios o regiones habitualmente no incluidas formen parte de la colaboración y el encuentro. Es el desafío de seguir ampliando LASA como un espacio transnacional y pluralista, en que se hagan presentes variados sujetos, voces, enfoques y saberes. Esto, de paso, también ayudará

a generar en LASA una ampliación en el debate de ideas, metodologías y prácticas, incluyendo la controversia intelectual al igual que la deseada retroalimentación y enriquecimiento de experiencias y saberes.

En lo personal, mi trayecto de década y media en la profesión también ha sido un tiempo similar de participación y aprendizaje en LASA. En este breve pero intenso período, he aportado a la vida de LASA como encargado de la Sección de Estudios del Cono Sur entre los años 2010 y 2013; y, más recientemente, como Co-Programador del Congreso XXXIII de LASA2015 en San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Angela Carneiro Araújo

Angela Araújo has a PhD in social sciences from the State University of Campinas (UNICAMP) and had a Fulbright Scholarship for the completion of doctoral studies at Stanford University. She has been a full professor at the Department of Political Science at UNICAMP since 1985. She held two postdoctoral programs: one at the University of Manchester, UK, in 2000–2001, and another at the laboratory “Gender, Labor and Mobility” of the Center for Sociological and Political Research of Paris (CRESPPA-CNRS). She holds a research fellowship from the Conselho Nacional de Pesquisas (CNPq), is a member of the CNPq Research Group “Contradições do Trabalho no Brasil Atual,” and has been a researcher at the Gender Studies Center, Pagu, UNICAMP, since 2002, where she participates as a member of the Editorial Board of *Cadernos Pagu*.

She also participates in two international research agreements: the agreement CAPES-CONICET, with a group of researchers from the University of Buenos

Aires, Argentina, on the subject of labor relations in the information technology industry, and the CAPES COFECUB Agreement established with the laboratory “Gender, Labor and Mobility” of the CRESPPA-CNRS, on the subject of gender, labor, and education in Brazil and France.

She has published on trade unions and collective bargaining; gender relations in trade unionism; labor relations in different sectors of the economy; restructuring of capitalism and management strategies; recent changes in labor relations and working conditions; labor markets, gender, and race; informality; flexibility and precariousness of work; solidarity economics and gender; sexual division of labor; and intersectionality. She published her doctoral thesis in 1998 in the book *A construção do consentimento: Corporativismo e trabalhadores nos anos 30* (Editora Scritta/FAPESP) and edited, among others, *Do corporativismo ao neoliberalismo: Estado e trabalhadores no Brasil e na Inglaterra* (Boitempo, 2002); *O trabalho reconfigurado: Ensaios sobre Brasil e México*, with Márcia de Paula Leite (AnnaBlume/FAPESP, 2009), the result of a collaboration with Enrique de La Garza and his research team at the Universidad Autónoma de México; *Formas de trabalho no capitalismo atual: condição precária e possibilidades de reinvenção*, with Roberto Vêras de Oliveira (AnnaBlume, 2011); *O trabalho na economia solidária: Entre precariedade e emancipação*, with Márcia de Paula Leite and Jacob Carlos Lima (Annablume/FAPESP, 2015). It is worth mentioning chapters of published books that result from the collaboration in international research projects: “Brazil: Between Global Trends and National Politics; Restructuring and Workers’ Responses,” with L. Gitahy, A. Rachid, and A. Cunha, was published in *Labor in a Global World: Case Studies*

from the *White Goods Industry in Africa, South America, East Asia and Europe*, edited by Theo Nichols and Suhrām Çam (Palgrave Mcmillan, 2005). The chapter “Informalité et rapports de genre” was published in *Les nouvelles configurations du travail et l'économie sociale et solidaire*, edited by Isabel Georges and Marcia Leite (Harmattan, 2012), which was the conclusion of a collaboration with researchers from the French National Research Institute for Sustainable Development (IRD-France). Her most recent chapter, written with Jacob C. Lima, was published in *Los estudios laborales en América Latina: Orígenes, desarrollo y perspectivas*, edited by Enrique de La Garza Toledo (Anthropos/Siglo Vientiuno, 2016).

While affiliated with the Department of Political Science at UNICAMP, Araújo has been an advocate of interdisciplinary research and graduate programs. She contributed to the consolidation of the interdisciplinary area “Labor, Politics and Society” of the Doctorate in Social Sciences Program at UNICAMP, which brought together political scientists, sociologists, economists, pedagogues, and a psychologist. She has coordinated it from 1993 to 1996 and from 2007 to the present.

She was a member of the Board of the Brazilian Society of Sociology in 2010–2011; vice president of ALAST–Latin American Association of Labor Studies (2010–2013), and president of the Brazilian Association of Labor Studies (2014–2015), when she chaired the 14th ABET Congress, held at UNICAMP in September 2015.

Her research on gender, trade unionism, and labor issues has led her to be frequently invited by trade unions, professional associations, and social movements to participate as a speaker

at congresses and other meetings with working women. She has collaborated with the Secretariat of Policies for Women of the Presidency of the Republic, integrating the Advisory and Monitoring Committee of the Gender Equity Program, from 2009 to 2016. In addition, she was the Brazilian vice-coordinator of the MISEAL Project (Measures for Social Inclusion and Equity in Higher Education Institutions in Latin America), 2014–2015, funded by the European Union under the Alpha III Program, a project that includes four European universities and universities from eight Latin American countries.

Angela Carneiro Araújo Statement

The first time I attended a LASA Congress was in 1997, in Mexico City. I was only able to participate because I received LASA funding. I remember the strong impression that this congress made on me. The great number of thematic areas, the interdisciplinarity, the presence of researchers and students from almost all areas of the human sciences and from different countries of the Americas, and the richness of the intellectual and political debates showed me that this was a unique intellectual experience.

In subsequent congresses I realized that they opened up great opportunities for the establishment of intellectual contacts and research partnerships. Many of the researchers from different Latin American countries and from the United States with whom I began to establish intellectual collaboration I met at LASA Congresses. The importance of the intellectual exchanges provided in these congresses, coupled with the greater possibility of funding that we had in Brazil during the two last decades, has allowed us at many Brazilian universities to encourage the participation of graduate students and

young scholars, which has grown every year.

However, many scholars and students from universities located in small cities in the interior of Brazil and also in other Latin American countries do not always have the opportunity and the access to the necessary funding to participate. Besides, the economic crisis and the political changes recently experienced in Brazil and other Latin American countries can drastically reduce state funding for participation in international congresses, which will certainly prevent young scholars and graduate students from having the opportunity to access the intellectual exchanges promoted by these congresses. I think that this is an issue which deserves to be debated by the LASA Executive Council, as it may result in a reduction in the participation of researchers from different Latin American countries. I would like the association to make a priority of increasing the chances of those young scholars and students to participate in its congresses and share the opportunities of intellectual exchanges that they provide.

The efforts made by LASA to increase the diversity of scholars and researchers are well known. The success of these efforts led to a steady growth in participation but at the same time posed many challenges, like complaints concerning the price of the hotels and the lack of time for the papers’ presentation and for their discussion. How to handle these difficulties and the possibility of thinking in other ways of organizing paper presentations and debates are also questions I would like to discuss if I am honored with a place in LASA’s Executive Council.

Another issue I would like to address is related to the growing conservatism and the breakdown of democratic principles

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that until recently supported most Latin American states. The recent coup in Brazil, the election of Macri in Argentina, the disapproval of the peace agreement with the FARC in Colombia, as well as Trump's victory in the U.S. presidential election are examples of the advancement of right-wing forces and of neoliberal and religious conservatism on the continent. In this context, Latin American scholars and researchers have been engaged in the economic and political debate and also have been producing a rich amount of knowledge on the current political, social, and economic conditions of our different countries. I would like to address and to support LASA's institutional role in promoting the debate around these issues and in spreading this knowledge to other countries, where it can be a beneficial resource to people experiencing those same challenges. ■

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