

**LASA/Oxfam America Martin Diskin
Memorial Lectureship
Call for Nominations**

Deadline: September 7, 2013

The Martin Diskin Memorial Lectureship is offered at each LASA International Congress to an outstanding individual who combines commitments to activism and scholarship. This distinguished lectureship is made possible largely by a generous contribution from Oxfam America, an organization committed to grassroots work, and one with which Martin Diskin was closely associated.

Past Lecturers were Ricardo Falla, S.J., 1998; Gonzalo Sánchez Gómez, Instituto de Estudios Políticos y Relaciones Internacionales, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, 2000; Elizabeth Lira Kornfeld, Universidad Alberto Hurtado, Santiago, Chile, 2001; Rodolfo Stavenhagen, El Colegio de México, and Rosalva Aída Hernández Castillo, CIESAS, Mexico City, 2003 (shared lectureship); Jonathan Fox, University of California, Santa Cruz, 2004;

William LeoGrande, American University, 2006; Orlando Fals Borda, 2007; Terry Karl, Stanford University, 2009; Carlos Ivan Degregori, Instituto de Estudios Peruanos, 2010; Claudia Paz y Paz, Instituto de Estudios Comparados y Ciencias Penales, 2012; and Stefano Varese, University of California, Davis, 2013.

Nominations, including self-nominations, are welcome. A nomination should include a statement justifying the nomination, the complete mailing address of the nominee, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail address. To nominate a candidate, send these materials no later than **September 7, 2013**, to LASA Executive Director Milagros Pereyra-Rojas <milagros@pitt.edu>.

Members of the 2014 Martin Diskin Memorial Lectureship Committee are Shannon Speed (chair), University of Texas at Austin; Jonathan Fox, University of California, Santa Cruz; and Cynthia Sanborn, University of the Pacific, Peru.

**LASA/Oxfam America Martin Diskin
Dissertation Award**

Application deadline: September 7, 2013

The Martin Diskin Dissertation Award is made possible through the generosity of Oxfam America, LASA, and LASA members. This award is offered at each LASA International Congress to an outstanding advanced junior scholar who embodies Professor Diskin's commitment to the creative combination of activism and scholarship. The award will be presented to an advanced doctoral student or recent PhD. Advanced PhD candidates pursuing this award must demonstrate that they will complete their dissertation prior to the LASA International Congress. LASA limits recent PhD recipients to those individuals who received their degrees after the LASA Congress prior to the one at which the award is to be received. LASA welcomes dissertations written in English, Spanish, and Portuguese. The Award Committee will employ three criteria in its evaluations: (1) overall scholarly credentials, based upon the candidate's curriculum vitae; (2)

**Proposed Changes to the LASA Bylaws
Article 7 (second paragraph, lines 5–8)**

On August 2, 2013, the Executive Council approved the following proposed change in the Bylaws of the Association:

Amendments to resolutions may be presented at the LASA Business Meeting, and if accepted as a friendly amendment by a duly empowered person present at the meeting, the resolution as amended will be sent out for a vote to the membership. If not accepted, the resolution will be sent out for a vote in the form presented to the Business Meeting.

Amendments proposed by the Executive Council go into effect 90 days after the LASA membership is notified provided that no more than 100 persons object in writing to the Executive Director within the interim period. Objections can be directed to LASA Executive Director, LASA, 416 Bellefield Hall, University of Pittsburgh, PITTSBURGH PA 15260. E-mail<lasa@pitt.edu>. The cutoff date for receipt of objections to the above proposed change is *November 12, 2013*.