NCCLA: 50 years of Researching, Discovering, and Celebrating Latin America!

This year marks the 50th Anniversary of the very first conference of the North Central Council of Latin Americanists (NCCLA). In honor of this occasion, the NCCLA is putting together a very special program. Comedian Antonio Aguilar from Madison, WI will perform on Thursday night, and our keynote speaker on Friday will be Deputado Pedro Vilela from Brazil, Chair of the Foreign Relations Committee. For the first time we will be having the conference in a hotel setting to facilitate informal gatherings and activities.

Therefore, it is with great excitement that the NCCLA invites proposals for panels, round tables, and papers from all disciplines that highlight potential common themes shaping Latin American History, Politics, Anthropology, Art, Economics, Literature, and more. Suggested topics include but are not limited to:

- Latin@s in the United States
- Latin@s in US Higher Education
- Latin America-US Relations
- Change and Continuity since 1967
- Crossing Borders
- Economics, Equality, and Inclusion
- Changes in Teaching the Region since 1967

Interdisciplinary and comparative analyses are most welcome. Proposals may focus on any region and may be written and presented in English, Spanish or Portuguese. Teaching panels are especially invited. Papers and panels are encouraged that link a common theme across several disciplines. Papers are also encouraged that highlight how trends and tendencies in Latin America influence Latin@s in the United States.

Proposals (250-300 word abstracts) must be submitted via email by July 10. Please include professional affiliation, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of each participant. Please also state any needs for tech support.

Graduate and advanced undergraduate students are encouraged to participate. The NCCLA is especially interested in presentations of faculty-student collaborative research. A limited number of student travel grants of up to $200 each are available. Grants are for full-time students who are not professionally employed. See application at: http://uwm.edu/clacs/public-engagement/nccla/awards/.

Conference presenters are eligible for NCCLA Research and Teaching Awards (see following).

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