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University of Miami, Florida International University, and  
Florida Atlantic University present:

## **14th Annual South Florida Latin America and the Caribbean Studies Graduate Student Conference**

### **“LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN: TIMES OF DEVELOPMENT, RESISTANCE, AND CHANGE”**

**Friday, April 22, 2016  
8 a.m. – 5 p.m.**

**SAC Building  
University of Miami  
Coral Gables**

**Friday, April 22, 2016**  
**University of Miami Student Activity Center (SAC)**

**8:00am – Welcome and Introduction**

**8:30am- 9:50am**

Panel 1: Public Health

Room: East Ballroom

Panel 2: Social, Environmental, and Economic Perspectives on  
Politics in the Americas

Room: Vista Room

**10:00am- 11:20am**

Panel 3: Race and Ethnic Relations

Room: East Ballroom

Panel 4: Renditions of Film and Literature in Latin America and the  
Caribbean

Room: Vista Room

**11:30am- 12:50pm**

Panel 5: Displacing African Diaspora Politics: Transgressive Black  
Political Identities of the Caribbean and Central America

Room: Vista Room

Panel 6: Democracy and Social Change

Room: East Ballroom

**Lunch: 1:00pm-2:00pm**

Moss Terrace SAC

**Keynote Address: 2:00pm- 3:00pm**

Dr. Felicia Knaul, Director of the Miami Institute for the Americas

Dear Conference Attendees,

Welcome to the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual South Florida Latin American and Caribbean Studies Graduate Student Conference. We are pleased to welcome you to University of Miami.

For fourteen years this conference has been a place for graduate students to share their research and connect with other colleagues in the field. We hope this conference allows us to continue building a scholarly committee of students passionate about Latin America and the Caribbean in South Florida. The papers presented today seek to elucidate complex local, national, regional and international processes. They come from a variety of fields and disciplines and address a range of issues from regional political cooperation to national cultural patrimony, among many.

We thank you for attending and hope you enjoy today's presentations. We would like to extend our gratitude to our keynote speaker, Dr. Felicia Knaul, Director of the Miami Institute for the Americas. We thank our advisors, volunteers, and readers who helped in organizing today's conference. Finally, we sincerely thank the directors, faculty, staff, graduate students and fellows from UM's Miami Institute for the Americas and Latin American Studies program.

Welcome and enjoy today's events!

2016 Conference Planning Committee.

**3:10pm-4:30pm**

Panel 7: Interpretations of Ginastera

Room: Vista Room

Panel 8: Media and Communication in Latin America and the Caribbean

Room: East Ballroom

**5:00pm**

Reception

The Rathskeller

**South Florida Latin American and Caribbean Studies Graduate Student Conference Presenters:**

**University of Miami (UM)**

Sharon Chinchilla

Elena Chudnovskaya

Matthew Davidson

Tiffany L. Fajardo

Jared Flurry

Jennifer Garçon

Kayla Gurak

Hanako Henty

Pamela Fuentes Korban

Joy Leopold

Alejandra Plascencia

Raquel Rubí

Grace Slawski

Lila de Tantillo

Grant Unnerstall

Yanran Xu

**Florida Atlantic University (FAU)**

Betsaida Casanova

Jacqueline Frazer

JoLynn Longo

Sean Mallen

**Florida International University (FIU)**

Christine Bianco

Omawu Diane Enobabor

Tanisha Ingram

James McCrink

Zanolee Grant

Tamanisha J. John

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Discussant: Dr. Adriane Gelpi

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- Caregiver Sociocultural Variables (Family Cohesion, Religiosity, Interdependence) as Predictors of Number of Therapy Sessions Attended in a Culturally Informed Family Treatment for Schizophrenia by Kayla Gurak, UM
- The 48 Hour Famine: How the Red Cross Aided the American Occupation of Haiti by Matthew Davidson, UM
- Self-Efficacy for HIV Prevention among Refugee Hispanic Women In South Florida by Lila de Tantillo, UM
- Development of HIV prevention campaign in Guatemala by Elena Chudnovskaya, UM

**Panel 2: Social, Environmental, and Economic Perspectives on Politics in the Americas**

Discussant: Dr. William Pestle

Room: Vista Room

- Oil Drilling in Cuba’s Northwest Basin and the Potential Challenges Regarding Oil Spill Response in the Event of a Spill by Sharon Chinchilla, UM
- China’s Strategic Partnership in Latin America: Case studies of China’s Oil Diplomacy in Argentina, Brazil, Mexico and Venezuela, 1991 to 2015 by Yanran Xu, UM
- Exploring Positive Effects of Military Change for State & National Participation in Guyana by Tamanisha J. John, FIU

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**Panel 3: Race and Ethnic Relations**

Discussant: Dr. Marvin Dawkins

Room: East Ballroom

- The Historical Development of Race and the Role of Race in the Haitian Revolution by Jacqueline Frazer, FAU
- Subjectivities under Siege: Reclaiming Ontology in Caribbean Aesthetics by Tiffany L. Fajardo, UM
- Acculturation and the “Cuban Presence” at an All-Boys Cuban Catholic School in Miami by Grace Slawski, UM

**Panel 4: Renditions of Film and Literature in Latin America and the Caribbean**

Discussant: Dr. Eduardo Elena

Room: Vista Room

- The Dynamics of Resistance: Michelle Cliff’s No Telephone to Heaven by James McCrink, FIU
- La banda sonora de El reino de este mundo de Alejo Carpentier by Betsaida Casanova, FAU
- Reconfigured Subjectivity and Staged Authenticity in Smile Orange by Jared Flurry, UM

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**Panel 5: Displacing African Diaspora Politics: Transgressive Black Political Identities of the Caribbean and Central America**

Discussant: Dr. Marvin Dawkins

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- The Colonial Vestiges of Sex Work: Caribbean Women Overturning Western Patriarchy by Tanisha Ingram, FIU
- Towards a Black Feminist Geopolitics: Embodied Black Politics in Quisqueya by Diane Enobabor, FIU
- Nation Building and Anti-blackness: Navigating blackness and nationalism in Honduras” ZanoLee Grant, FIU
- Toward a Black Feminist Geopolitics: Determining the Embodied Black Politics of Quisqueya by Omawu Diane Enobabor, FIU

**Panel 6: Democracy and Social Change**

Discussant: Dr. Bruce Bagley

Room: East Ballroom

- The Turning Point in Puerto Rican History: O'Reilly's Visita and the Island's Development, 1765-1815 by Sean Mallen, FAU
- Invisible on Foot How Transportation Segregation is Driving Inequality by JoLynn Longo, FAU
- Planning for Social Change in Jamaica by Sidjae Price, UM
- Growth without Poverty Reduction in Argentina During the 1990s by Christine Bianco, FIU

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- The Original Estancia: Re-Examining Ginastera's Second Ballet by Hanako Henty, UM
- A Multi-media “Choreographic Legend”: Comparing Alberto Ginastera's Panambi as a Ballet and Symphonic Suite by Grant Unnerstall, UM
- Connections Between The Song Cycles of Manuel De Falla And Alberto Ginastera: A Comparison Of Cinco Canciones Populares Argentinas By Ginastera and Siete Canciones Populares Españolas By Falla by Raquel Rubí, UM

**Panel 8: Media and Communication in Latin America and the Caribbean**

Discussant: Dr. Sallie Hughes

Room: East Ballroom

- Social Development via Technology Latin America by Alejandra Plascencia, UM
- La venganza será terrible: Alternative Ways of Story-telling in 21st Century Argentine Radio by Pamela Fuentes Korban, UM
- Challenging Baby Doc: Advancing New Interpretations of Feb 7, 1986 by Jennifer Garçon, UM
- Protests and the private citizen: How the media can stifle democratic participation, Joy Leopold, UM

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