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The Mark Claster Mamolen Dissertation Workshop on Afro-Latin American Studies

The Afro-Latin American Research Institute at the Hutchins Center for African and African American Research, Harvard University, invites graduate students working on dissertations related to Afro-Latin American studies to submit a proposal to the annual Mark Claster Mamolen Dissertation Workshop on Afro-Latin American Studies. Doctoral students at universities anywhere in the world, who are at the dissertation writing stage, from any discipline, are invited to submit an application. The only condition is that their dissertations deal with Afro-Latin American topics broadly defined, covering any time period, from colonial times to the present. Proposals can be submitted in English, Spanish, or Portuguese.

Interested students should submit a three-page proposal (double space) summarizing their dissertation topic and one letter of support from their academic adviser. Materials should be sent electronically to ALARI@fas.harvard.edu (please write "Dissertation Workshop" in the subject) by January 15, 2016. Up to ten students will be selected to participate in the workshop. They will be notified by February 26. Selected students will be asked to submit a dissertation chapter (up to 50 pages, double space, in English, Spanish, or Portuguese) by March 11. Chapters will be circulated among workshop participants. The Workshop will meet at Harvard on May 6-7, 2016.

The Afro-Latin American Research Institute will cover lodging and living expenses for all participants and will provide support for travel expenses for students who cannot get funding from their institutions. Please indicate in your proposal whether you require travel support.

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