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University of California, Riverside

The Latin American Studies Program of the University of California, Riverside, planned a lecture series on Cuba which took place during October, November, and December, 1973. Leon Campbell organized the Interdisciplinary Examination of Cuba. Selected lectures will be published individually, in pamphlet form, by the Latin American Studies Program, beginning Spring 1974.

Lectures were given by: Homer Aschmann, UCR, Eduardo González, UCLA, Leon Campbell, UCR, William Megenney, UCR, Jacqueline Haywood, UCR, Seymour Menton, UCI, Carlos Cortés, UCR, Donald Bray, Cal State Univ., LA, and Richard Fagen, Stanford.

Centro Interamericano de Información y Documentación Indigenista

Dr. Gonzalo Rubio Orbe, Director of the Instituto Indigenista Interamericano, has taken the necessary steps in the organization of this important Center, recommended and approved by the VII Congreso Indigenista Interamericano. The Centro Interamericano de Información y Documentación Indigenista will be able to receive, reproduce, analyze, edit, codify, archive, and distribute documentation required by ethnic research projects. Funding is now being sought.

Cuauhnhuac

Cuauhnhuac is a private corporation which seeks to teach Spanish language and Mexican culture by total immersion in Cuernavaca, Mexico. Students may study as beginners, intermediates, or advanced learners. Five hours of language instruction are given daily to classes limited to four students each. The language program is augmented by special activities, discussions, and programs involving both teacher

and student in cultural activities. Fees for classes are \$112 per month. There is no requirement as to length of stay. Room and board arrangements are flexible. A limited number of scholarships are available for students of Latin American descent who lack sufficient funds. For additional information write: Cuauhnahuac, Apdo. Postal C-26, Cuernavaca, Morelos, México.

ECALAS

The Emergency Committee to Aid Latin American Scholars (ECALAS) has been organized as a committee of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA) to coordinate and extend efforts underway in the United States to assist Latin American scholars and students, who, because of the policies and practices of the Chilean military regime and other regimes in the region, may find it necessary for their safety and for the continuation of their scholarly activities to relocate temporarily outside their native countries.

ECALAS will work closely and coordinate its activities with several committees abroad, especially the Consejo Latinoamericano de Ciencias Sociales (CLACSO). It will also work with the Canadian Association of Latin American Studies (CALAS), the European Council for Social Science Research on Latin America (CEISAL), and other national and international groups concerned with this problem.

The activities of ECALAS will be coordinated by Bryce Wood, executive secretary. The Committee has organized a central clearing house for information on academic positions and graduate fellowships available in the United States and elsewhere kept on file. Forward requests for information or offers of support to: ECALAS, c/o Ibero-American Center, New York University, 2400 Waverly Place, Room 566, New York, New York 10003.

Fundación Bariloche

The Department of Sociology of the Fundación Bariloche established a postgraduate program beginning in 1974. Instruction will be offered in theoretical, methodological, and applied aspects of sociology and political science.

The postgraduate program will take two forms: 1) a determined, two year course in sociology and political science leading to a certificate of postgraduate studies; and 2) a general course of study in the social sciences, flexible as to duration and activities. For more information write: Edgardo Catterberg, Coordinador del Programa de Posgrado, Fundación Bariloche, Casilla de Correo 138, San Carlos de Bariloche, Río Negro, Argentina.

Ing. Juan Carlos Lafosse, Department of Mathematics, CEADSO, has just designed a data analysis system for the Centro de Análisis de Datos, Fundación Bariloche. This system will form a part of the programs incorporated into the analysis system of CEADSO to be used in the processing of census materials and large

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surveys. The system is characterized by great versatility and will facilitate the presentation of information in very diverse formats.

For specific details on this new system write: Adolfo Pablo di Marco, Director Técnico, CEADSO, Fundación Bariloche, Casilla de Correo 138, San Carlos de Bariloche, Río Negro, Argentina.

Immaculata College

The Center for the Teaching of the Americas at Immaculata College introduced a new program with emphasis on Puerto Rico in the fall of 1973, *The Puerto Rican: Bridging the Gap*.

A colloquium, *The Family Values of the Puerto Rican on the Mainland*, began the program in October. Angel Santiago, Alice Galanes, and Elaine Girod, Temple University, guided the discussion during morning and afternoon sessions.

A second colloquium was held in November. The theme for this second meeting was, *Housing: A Major Issue for the Puerto Rican Family*. The Puerto Rican program was the result of a survey taken by members of the planning committee for the Center. Direct questions to: Sister Mary Consuela, Director of the Center for the Teaching of the Americas, Immaculata College, Immaculata, PA 19345.

Institute of Ethnomusicology and Folklore

The government of Venezuela and the OAS General Secretariat have agreed to establish the Inter-American Institute of Ethnomusicology and Folklore to be located in the National Institute of Culture and Fine Arts in Caracas. The center will be multinational.

The Institute will coordinate efforts of the OAS Regional Program for Cultural Development to save and utilize the heritage of folk music of the OAS member states. It will also train scholars in research and promotion of folk arts and help establish national centers to conserve and publicize folk traditions.

Instituto Indigenista Interamericano

The Instituto Indigenista Interamericano with the collaboration of the Instituto Nacional Indigenista of Mexico and the OAS organized a *Curso de Observación y Práctica Indigenista* in 1973. Government and academic officials from Colombia, Guatemala, Bolivia, and Panama attended the course. Participants received basic information on various aspects of indigenous policy which is applied in Mexico, and on general topics of social and applied anthropology. Major participants did field work in Oaxaca, Chiapas, Michoacán, Hidalgo, and Veracruz. For additional information write: Dr. Alejandro D. Marroquín, Departamento de Investigaciones Antropológicas, Instituto Indigenista Interamericano, Niños Heroes 139, México 7, D. F. México.

Latin American Policy Alternatives Group

The Latin American Policy Alternatives Group (LAPAG) is an independent research/action collective of students, faculty, clergy, and others working together to promote the cause of liberation in Latin America and of Hispanic peoples in the U.S. Current projects include the Third World film series, a radio news program, Latin American Press Review, a resource library, weekly political discussions, publication of the Union of Radical Latin Americanists' *Newsletter*, a speakers bureau, and a fund raising drive for Chilean refugees. For additional information write: LAPAG, Methodist Student Center, 2434 Guadalupe, Austin, TX 78705.

Louisiana State University

The Latin American Studies Institute of Louisiana State University offered a spring seminar, 1974, on Violence in Latin America. The objective of the seminar was twofold: to provide a forum for interdisciplinary investigation of violence in Latin America, and to serve as a meeting ground for the LSU community of Latin Americanists. This seminar consisted of readings, lectures, audio-visual presentations, and discussions by associate faculty and students. For additional information, write: Harvey J. Kaye, Fellow, Latin American Studies Institute, Lockett Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803.

Universidad Mayor de San Andrés

The Instituto de Investigaciones Sociales is a new scientific and academic center within the Universidad Mayor de San Andrés de La Paz. The Institute directs, coordinates, and carries out interdisciplinary research in the social sciences specifically in the fields of law, economics, sociology, social service, and administration.

The Institute focuses its attention on problems of national and regional interest, the international policies of Bolivia and its relations with other countries, and the problems and phenomenon of Latin American economic integration. For more information write: Dr. Ernesto Ayala Mercado, Director, Instituto de Investigaciones Sociales, Universidad Mayor de San Andrés, Edificio Central UMSA-Piso 12, La Paz, Bolivia.

Texas Consortium for Microfilming Mexican Archival Resources

A Texas-wide consortium of academic institutions is undertaking the project of microfilming archives throughout Mexico and sharing these resources among its member institutions. The Consortium's fourth annual report presents the following progress:

The University of Texas at Arlington, Texas Christian University, Southern Methodist University, North Texas State University, and Baylor University have

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received a grant of \$36,000 from the Hoblitzelle Foundation to microfilm archives in the Yucatán. Project directors are Sandra L. Myres and John Hudson, UT at Arlington. These universities have plans to film the Archivo del Arzobispado, colonial and early 19th century records (principally legislative) in the Archivo del Estado, and 19th century newspapers (both literary and political including *diario oficial* and weekly literary papers) in the Hemeroteca "José María Piño Suárez." Filming began in February 1973 and will be completed in 1974. Total roll count will be approximately 1,000–1,200 reels.

The University of Texas at Austin continues working in the state of Mexico and the National Archives. They report around 900 rolls from the *Archivo Nacional de la Nación* and 16 rolls of governmental archives from Toluca.

Texas Tech University has made a breakthrough in the state of Guadalajara.

Trinity University continues to receive microfilm from the states of Coahuila and Nuevo León and now has about 3600 rolls. The 1973 contract with the Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey has been renewed. Filming is continuing in Linares, but will soon move to the municipal archives of Monterrey and Saltillo. A contract was made with Dr. Antonio Poma y Pompa, Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, to purchase 128 rolls of music archives on microfilm. Trinity is buying sacred and secular music archives from the cathedrals of Puebla and Mexico City.

The University of Texas at El Paso is working with a librarian in Durango on a project of microfilming colonial civil records of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. In Chihuahua, UTEP has a contract negotiated in 1971 with Governor Oscar Flores and Professor Francisco Almára to microfilm *ayuntamiento* records dating from 1710 to 1940. They have filmed the *Periódico Oficial*, which is very important because the state archives of Chihuahua were destroyed by fire in 1941.

Membership of the Texas Consortium now totals sixteen institutions. Plans are to produce a computer-based union holdings list, as more institutions complete contracts and receive film. For more information, contact the Secretary-Treasurer: Virginia Mounce, Archivist, Trinity University, San Antonio, TX 78284.

University of Texas at El Paso

The Center for Inter-American Studies at the University of Texas–El Paso was established in June 1973 to administer the Latin American Studies Program, the Oral History Institute, and the Inter-American Science Program at the University. The Center is also responsible for the coordination of most inter-American programs at the University and acts as a clearing house for information and funding for special projects and grants. The Center provides lectures, special seminars and other Latin American resource opportunities and publishes a series of Occasional Papers, a periodical newsletter and various other materials of interest to both faculty and students. The new director of the Center is Robert L. Peterson and the associate director, José Luis Orozco.

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The Oral History Institute conducts intensive interviews of permanent historical interest to both the Southwest and Latin America. The Institute maintains a growing file of taped interviews in the University Library Archives.

The Inter-American Science Program is a first year program in which freshman courses are conducted in Spanish but using textbooks in English. It is designed to serve students who are able to read English but require additional training in speaking skills. Upon completion of two semesters of lower division bilingual courses, students may transfer to a regular university degree program.

For further information write: Robert L. Peterson, Director, Center for Inter-American Studies, University of Texas, El Paso, TX 79968.