

# Society for Latin American Studies

## Notes for Applications for Latin American Scholars Grants

**DEADLINE** 19 November

SLAS usually makes available six awards of up to £1,500 to contribute to the registration, travel and accommodation costs of scholars based in Latin America to enable them to attend and present a paper at the SLAS conference and to facilitate closer collaboration with SLAS members.

This scheme is open to scholars based in Latin America, including independent researchers, PhD students, as well as those affiliated to universities and institutions. It is recognised that the grant cannot cover the full costs of attending the conference but may be used in conjunction with other sources of funding.

Applicants do not have to be members of SLAS to apply, although they are encouraged to join SLAS. Applications must be supported by a member of SLAS and a strategic case for the proposed collaboration must be made.

Wherever possible, when the criteria are met, two of the awards will be reserved for early career scholars who are within five years of completion of their thesis/dissertation. Applicants who are within five years of completion of their PhD should include this information in the short professional biography.

Application forms can be completed in English, Portuguese or Spanish.

Completed application forms should be submitted to the SLAS Secretary by the deadline. Applicants will normally receive a confirmation of receipt of an application within 3 working days.

Applications will be retained for up to one year and will be shared with members of the SLAS committee for assessment. Applications arriving after the deadline will not be considered under any circumstances.

Funding is awarded on the basis that award holders must register to attend both days of the conference and awards will be distributed at the SLAS conference by the Treasurer.

Grant recipients will be expected to write a short blog post on their conference paper and the research collaboration (approx. 500-750 words in English, Spanish or Portuguese), which may be published on the SLAS website. This is to be submitted to the SLAS Secretary within 3 months of receiving the funding. We are particularly keen to include images for which grant recipients hold appropriate permissions within blog posts.

**Assessment Criteria:**

- Strategic Case for Support – out of 10
- Quality of Abstract– out of 10
- Profile (relative to career stage) – out of 5
- Justification of budget – out of 5

**Application Timeline**

Early Autumn	Deadline for Call for Papers for SLAS Conference. We normally aim to let you know whether, or not, your paper has been accepted before 19 November. If this does not happen, you should submit the funding application whilst awaiting the outcome of the Call for Papers.
19 November	Deadline for Latin American Scholars Grant. Please ensure that you leave sufficient time for both the SLAS member and Latin American Scholar to complete the form.
January	We are usually able to inform applicants of the outcome of applications in December, but you should expect to hear from us by the end of January at the latest.
January-March/April	Register for full conference, book travel etc.
March/April	You will receive the award from the SLAS Treasurer at the conference.
March/April-June	Submit 1,000-word report to the SLAS secretary.