



CALL FOR PAPERS

MACLAS 2018

CHANGING CLIMATES IN THE AMERICAS
MIDDLE ATLANTIC COUNCIL OF LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

Muhlenberg College, Allentown PA

March 8-10, 2018

Open to faculty, graduate students, undergraduate students, independent scholars

Throughout Latin America shifting climates of all kinds have become entwined in unpredictable ways. Not only geophysical, but also political and cultural climates, along with financial ones - including neoliberal imperatives and public corruption - are sparking popular demands for state accountability. New media strategies and longstanding struggles over national identities, sovereignties, and rights of citizenship have resulted in a rise of populist governments. Additionally, ethnic, racial, and sexual and gender identities are altering and fracturing traditional centers of power.

This year's conference offers participants an opportunity to critically engage with the theme of changing climates of all kinds, from a historical or contemporary perspective across Latin America. We encourage submissions that address this year's theme, and also welcome paper and panel proposals dealing with all other aspects of Latin America, as well as proposals for workshops that inform faculty and students on practical issues such as study abroad programs in Latin America, academic publishing, and effective pedagogical techniques.

To submit, go to <https://maclas2018.exordo.com>. You will need to supply:

- Title of individual paper, panel, or workshop (specify which);
- Your name (panel and workshop proposals must include the names and paper titles of all presenters);
- Your institution and position (faculty, graduate or undergraduate student, other);
and
- A 250-word abstract in English, Spanish, or Portuguese.

Applicants will be informed on a rolling basis (no later than January 26, 2018) whether their proposals have been accepted.

Conference registration fees are \$125 for the full conference or \$75 for one day if submitted by January 31st. After this date, the fees are \$175 for the full conference or \$100 for one day. In order to appear on the program, conference participants must be current members of MACLAS. Annual dues range from \$10–\$35, depending on professional status and income.

Graduate students are encouraged to submit applications to the Christina Turner travel grant before the deadline of January 26, 2018. These modest awards will help students with travel and registration fees. In order to be considered for this award, please send your title and abstract, current C.V., and travel budget to Bridget Chesterton, Chair of the Turner award, at chestebm@buffalostate.edu. Please use "Turner Award" in the subject line. Funds will be distributed at the 2018 conference at Muhlenberg College and awardees must be in attendance to receive the funds.