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### mission

The David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies at Harvard University works to increase the knowledge of the cultures, economies, histories, environment and contemporary affairs of Latin America; foster cooperation and understanding among the peoples of the Americas; and contribute to democracy, social progress and sustainable development throughout the hemisphere.

### goals

- Expand research and teaching on Latin America at Harvard
- Strengthen ties between Harvard University and institutions throughout Latin America
- Enhance public understanding of Latin America in the United States and abroad

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This Page: Facade in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico
Cover: Women in Havana, Cuba
from the directors

For the past twelve years, I have had the best job on the planet, matching David Rockefeller’s vision and generosity to the dreams and ambitions of the incredibly gifted people that Harvard assembles from all over the world. Directing the Center has been a continuously joyous and exhilarating experience, thanks to more people than I could possibly acknowledge in a brief farewell.

First, of course, there is David Rockefeller. To David, and to his wonderful collaborators Marnie Pillsbury and Peter Johnson, I will always owe a special debt of gratitude for sage advice and constant encouragement. David’s new gift to the Center perfectly complements his earlier gifts, which include three endowed professorships, by providing an unrestricted endowment for the Center’s core programs and infrastructure, in addition to a new program of graduate fellowships for students of Latin American history. What could be more important!

Among the extraordinary individuals who serve on the Center’s Advisory Committee, I want especially to thank Jorge Lemann for the vision and generosity that enabled the Center to build crucial links to Brazil, establish an office in São Paulo and create Harvard’s first Brazilian Studies Program; Andrónico Luksic for his farsighted support of the Center’s Regional Office in Santiago; Antonio Madero for his extraordinary loyalty to Harvard and the Center over many years; and to Lorenzo Weisman and Phil Lehner for advice, friendship and encouragement.

Three presidents of Harvard contributed to the success of the Center. It was Neil Rudenstine who first engaged David Rockefeller in the effort to “put Latin America on Harvard’s map,” building on efforts begun and now renewed by Derek Bok. Larry Summers provided vital encouragement for many Center initiatives, including the effort to consolidate and extend the example of the Center’s Regional Office in Santiago first to Brazil and then to Mexico. The Center also received significant encouragement from other University leaders, especially Provosts Harvey Fineberg and Steven Hyman, HBS dean Kim Clark, and FAS deans Jeremy Knowles and William Kirby.

The Center could not have succeeded without the active participation of scores of faculty members from throughout the University. I owe a special debt to Otto Solbrig and Tom Cummins, who served as acting directors during sabbatical years, and to Jorge I. Domínguez and Merilee Grindle, who served on the Center’s executive committee from the beginning. Jorge served as director of the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs for the past decade and is now Harvard’s first Vice Provost for International Affairs, a post that recognizes his exceptional administrative and academic talents. I am especially grateful to Merilee Grindle, an outstanding scholar and organizational leader, who has agreed to take charge of the Center’s future years.

Finally, an inadequate word of thanks to the people who give the David Rockefeller Center its reputation as Harvard’s most innovative, energetic, and effective area center and who do so with unusual warmth and good humor. No one has had more to do with this success than Steve Reifenberg, who manages to combine a soft heart and hard nose with such exceptional grace. Thanks are also due to Carola Suárez Orozco and Biorn Maybury-Lewis, who followed Steve as executive directors, and to Kristin Sorensen, Ellen Sullivan, Verónica Martini, and Irene Gándara, among many others, whose commitment and hard work have made “Doctor Class” (DRCLAS) what it has become.

The Center spent much of the past year getting ready for fresh leadership and a future that will soon make its first dozen years look like a modest prelude to the achievements of the Merilee Grindle era. I can’t wait to see what comes next…

I am delighted and honored to have been entrusted with the opportunity to lead the Center in the years to come and to carry on the vital work that John has done in establishing it as the pre-eminent Latin American Studies Center in the world. I am also deeply grateful to David Rockefeller and the many friends of the Center who have made possible its important work. In a recent visit to the new office in Brazil and to the well established and very successful Regional Office in Chile, I couldn’t help but be impressed by the enormous range and number of activities the Center has encouraged and by the depth of commitment of its staff and the expectations for continued growth expressed by Harvard alumni and others.

I have been involved with DRCLAS since its inception in 1994 in many capacities; as a faculty member benefitting from the Center’s support, as an active member of the Center’s Executive Committee and as a participant in the many wonderful programs that DRCLAS has organized throughout the years. This engagement has convinced me that the Center’s staff cares deeply about Latin America, that Harvard’s faculty is committed to making a difference in Latin America, that Harvard students are eager to learn, travel, and contribute to Latin America and that its friends have been wonderfully supportive of its activities.

In the coming years, I am committed to building research and learning synergies across the University, to increasing the engagement of faculty, students, and alumni in activities carried out in Latin America and to enhancing opportunities for learning about the region’s history, culture, politics and economic development. I am so pleased to be able to build on the strong legacy of John Coatsworth in working closely with the Center’s Advisory Committee and friends.

John H. Coatsworth
Monroe Gutman Professor of Latin American Affairs

Merilee Grindle
Edward S. Mason
Professor of International Development
DRCLAS in Latin America

Regional Office
Santiago, Chile

Since its opening in August 2002, the DRCLAS Regional Office in Santiago, Chile, has worked closely with Harvard departments, schools, administrative units and the Center’s Cambridge office to strengthen existing projects and develop a wide range of new programs and activities to support Harvard faculty, staff, students and alumni. The Regional Office, which serves Chile, Argentina, Bolivia, Peru and Uruguay, is the first-ever Harvard University international office serving the entire University.

This academic year, faculty projects have included work on Culture and the Markets in Argentina; a major international seminar in Chile, Culturas en el Aire, which focused on the uses of the media, especially radio, to promote the languages and cultures of indigenous communities across the Americas; Health Reform and Community Medicine in Chile; and the seminar Expanding Opportunities on Early Education for Children in Chile. The analysis on the quality of educational programs in the public sector had such an impact that it evolved into an upcoming international conference, Enhancing Quality of Early Education Opportunities for Children in Chile, with the participation of experts from both the Harvard Graduate School of Education and the Harvard Medical School. This initiative is a collaboration between Andrónico Luksic’s new educational foundation, Fundación Educación Oportunidad, and Chile’s Ministry of Education.

Another highlight was the presence of Harvard in Argentina. Through Linking Culture, Experience & Education: An Honor to Mrs. Amalia Lacroze de Fortabat, the Center honored its Argentine Advisory Committee member and donor, Mrs. Amalia Lacroze de Fortabat, at the Museo de Arte Latinoamericano de Buenos Aires (MALBA) for her contributions to the scholarship program that has enabled more than 50 Argentines to attend Harvard over the past 8 years. Mrs. de Fortabat celebrated with close friends, including fellow DRCLAS Advisory Committee member Eduardo Costantini and other University alumni. The event included a panel presentation by Harvard faculty, staff and alumni, and a serenade by the prestigious undergraduate acaPELLA group, the Harvard Krokodiloes.

During 2005–06, a series of special events with Harvard faculty and alumni were developed in Chile for DRCLAS Corporate Partners, special guests and Harvard alumni. Presentations included a breakfast discussion on Japan–Chile Relations by Susan Pharr, Edwin O. Reischauer Professor of Japanese Politics; a working luncheon on Globalization by David Kennedy of the Harvard Law School and the launch of the book Teoría Impura del Derecho by Colombian lawyer, Diego López Medina; the presentation of the bestselling book The Dante Club by Harvard alumnus author Matthew Pearl; and a presentation on the ELEMENTAL Social Housing project development by HGSE lecturer Alejandro Aravena, and Harvard alumni Pablo Allard and Andrés Iacobelli.

The Center’s Regional Office has been particularly successful in expanding study abroad and internship opportunities for Harvard students, not only in Santiago but also in the region. Working closely with Harvard’s Office of International Programs, the Regional Office pioneered in Santiago, in 2003, the first Harvard-administered term-time study abroad program for Harvard College undergraduates and Harvard Law School students. In March 2006, building on a similar model to Chile’s, the Office expanded the academic program offerings to Buenos Aires, where students have the opportunity to enroll for one semester, or one year, in any of three outstanding local universities. This past year, 16 students studied in Santiago and Buenos Aires.

In the summer of 2005, the Regional Office also began a new Summer Internship Program in Chile, which places students in internship sites around Santiago with families for the purpose of providing the former with meaningful experiences abroad. The program, co-sponsored by DRCLAS and the Office of Career Services, expanded in the summer 2006 to Bolivia, Argentina and Peru. A total of 48 students traveled to Santiago (30), Buenos Aires (9), Lima (5) and La Paz (4) for a two-month internship experience including home stay, a week orientation program, organized seminars and activities, and ongoing support during the internship.

Left to Right: Harvard College students Andrea Spillman ’07 and Reed Malin ’07 in Buenos Aires, on the DRCLAS Summer Internship Program. Brazil Advisory Group members Claudio Haddad and Lilia Schwarz. Professor Kenneth Maxwell, DRCLAS Senior Fellow and Brazil Studies Program Director. Professors John H. Coatsworth and Fernando Reimers with Advisory Committee member Jorge Paulo Lemann at the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the opening of the Brazil Office. Background: Paulista I, DRCLAS Brazil Office, São Paulo, Brazil.
On June 26, 2006, the David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies celebrated the opening of a Brazil Office at an event hosted at the Pinacoteca do Estado de São Paulo. The purpose of the office is to strengthen ties between Harvard and Brazilian academic and research institutions, increase opportunities for Brazilians to study at Harvard, and facilitate the research and learning activities of Harvard faculty and students in Brazil.

Howard Stevenson, Sarofim-Rock Professor of Business Administration and Vice Provost of Resources and Planning, Merilee Grindle, Edward S. Mason Professor of International Development at the Kennedy School of Government and incoming DRCLAS Director, and Jason Dyett, Program Director of the new Brazil Office welcomed more than 300 Harvard alumni and leaders from the public and private sectors at the event.

The creation of the office in Brazil is a very significant development and provides a splendid opportunity to enhance cooperation with Brazilians in many vital areas and academic disciplines. Professor Merilee Grindle said, “I am delighted to see this initiative. Brazil needs much more attention and Harvard is moving aggressively into Brazilian studies in a way unmatched elsewhere in the United States. The Brazil Office in São Paulo will make sure the exchange of ideas and people will be greater than it has been in the past.”

The office is led by Jason Dyett, who returns to Brazil where he worked for more than five years for the Economist Intelligence Unit and other firms. He is joined by Tomás Amorim and Lorena Barberia, two staff members with strong experience in the country and at Harvard.

A distinguished Brazil Advisory Group, comprised of academic, business and public leaders, will help guide the office in pursuing its mission (see list on the right). The inaugural meeting of the group took place on June 26 at the location of the new office on Avenida Paulista. John Coatsworth, outgoing DRCLAS Director, chaired the meeting, which included Nicolau Sevcenko, Visiting Professor of Romance Languages and Literatures at Harvard University, and one of Brazil’s most prolific and eminent cultural historians. John Coatsworth commended Jorge Paulo Lemann (AB ’61) for his vision and generosity without which the office would not have been possible. He also recognized Antonio Carlos Rodrigues do Amaral and Richard Strasser for their active engagement and support of the Brazil Office.

A new program of scholarships and fellowships, funded by a gift from Mr. Lemann, will enable Harvard to recruit Brazilian students to the undergraduate College as well as the professional schools of Education, Public Health and the John F. Kennedy School of Government, without regard to the students’ ability to pay. The first Lemann Fellows will enroll in the University in the fall of 2006. The first recipients are Felipe Fregui and Guilherme Ribeiro (School of Public Health), Alex Guacomelli da Silva and Danyela Moron (Kennedy School of Government) and Ana Gabriela Pessoa (Graduate School of Education). They were selected by a committee of faculty appointed by the DRCLAS Director in collaboration with the University Committee on General Scholarships. Please see page 4 for more information on the Brazilian Studies Program.

### Brazil Advisory Group Members
- **Mauro de Salles Aguiar**, Colégio Bandeirantes
- **Ruth Cardoso**, Comunitas
- **Claudio de Moura Castro**, Faculdade Pitágoras
- **David Fleischer**, Universidade de Brasília
- **Leona S. Forman**, Fundação Brasil
- **Arminio Fraga**, Gávea Investimentos
- **Elio Gaspari**, Columnist
- **Cláudio Haddad**, Ibmec
- **Wolff Klabin**, Klabin S.A.
- **Jorge Paulo Lemann**, Fundação Lemann
- **Olivind Lorentzen III**, Northern Navigation America, Inc.
- **João José Reis**, Universidade Federal da Bahia
- **Lilia Katri Moritz Schwarcz**, Universidade de São Paulo

### Ex-officio Members
- **Antonio Carlos R. do Amaral**, Advocacia Rodrigues do Amaral
- **Richard Strasser**, Veirano Advogados

**KEY DEVELOPMENTS TIMELINE**

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**Brazil Office São Paulo, Brazil**

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Brazilian Studies Program

On May 1, 2006, DRCLAS launched a new Brazilian Studies Program. The event — with more than 250 students, faculty, members of the Brazilian community and friends in attendance — was marked by a lecture by prize-winning author Lília Moritz Schwarz of the University of São Paulo, titled *Harvard 1876: The Poet, the Emperor, and the Scientist*. The Harvard-Brazil connection dates as far back as the 1876 visit of Dom Pedro II, the first reigning monarch to visit Harvard University. Schwarcz discussed Dom Pedro's historic visit to Cambridge, where he met with Henry Longfellow, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Oliver Wendell Holmes and Alexander Agassiz, the son of his old friend, the late Louis Agassiz. The lecture was followed by a spirited reception with live music and Brazilian food.

Harvard History Professor and DRCLAS Senior Fellow Kenneth Maxwell, one of the pre-eminent scholars of Brazil, will direct the new Brazilian Studies Program. DRCLAS staff member Erin Goodman joined Research Assistants Bruno Carvalho and Gabriel Rocha in rounding out the Cambridge-based Brazilian Studies’ team shortly after the program launch.

The 4th Annual Brazil Week in April, *The Music from Brazil*, was again spearheaded by Portuguese Senior Preceptor Clémence Jouët-Pastré, with lectures and performances on varied musical genres ranging from Brazilian classical music to *Tropicalismo* and the music of the Sertão. Other events included a seminar by Maria Helena Moreira Alves, of the organization Viva Rio on the (failed) gun ban referendum with comments by James Cavallaro, Lecturer on Law and Clinical Director of the HLS Human Rights Program and a colonial film festival. Lemann Visiting Scholar Roquinaldo Ferreira gave presentations of his new work on the Angolan slave trade and Brazil at the History Workshop and the Du Bois Institute.

Also this year Brazil Studies Research Assistants Bruno Carvalho (GSAS) and Gabriel Rocha (FAS’08) began a preliminary inventory of Brazil-related materials in the Harvard Libraries and collections. “As an undergraduate at Harvard,” observed Gabriel, “it is extremely encouraging to experience the breadth of the collection of academic work related to Brazilian literature, culture and history available here, coupled with access to what is often times rare material… Already we have found exciting documents ranging from the first editions of the works of Machado de Assis to the first publications of Marcelo Túpinambá’s musical scores, in addition to such important primary sources as Dom Pedro II’s correspondence with Louis Agassiz.”

There was also an encouraging rise in student interest in Brazil, reflected in a record number of applications to the Harvard Summer School in Rio de Janeiro and increased submissions to the Kenneth Maxwell Brazilian Studies senior thesis prize which was awarded this year to Elizabeth Poorman for her thesis titled "The Hope of Redemption": Science, Coercion, and the Leper Colonies of Brazil.

Mexican Studies Program

The Mexican Studies Committee of the David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies continues to develop institutional links with Mexican institutions and works hard to facilitate the communication of Harvard students with studies on Mexico.

In December 2005, the Committee and the Graduate School of Education invited Dr. Reyes Tamez Guerra, Mexican Minister of Education, to give a seminar on Education in Mexico during the 2000–05 period. Students, faculty members and guests participated in the seminar where the Minister and members of his staff presented some of the major education initiatives in Mexico, including the *Enciclomedia* project.

Currently, Fernando Reimers, chair of the Mexican Studies Committee and Director of the Office of Global Education and of the International Education Policy Program at the Harvard Graduate School of Education, is leading a research project evaluating four major education initiatives in Mexico. The project involves collaboration among eleven faculty members who work on issues ranging from early childhood education, economics of education, technology in education, literacy instruction, implementation and scaling up educational change. The project is studying four of the education reforms undertaken by the Mexican Ministry of Public Education: a program to provide three years of public pre-school education to all children, a national literacy program, a program to decentralize decision making to schools and a program to introduce technology in classrooms to facilitate integration across disciplines in the curriculum of elementary instruction.

During the 2005–06 academic year, two events took place regarding Mexican Elections. The first was a presentation by Alberto Simpser, Assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Chicago, who presented his work on electoral manipulation and turnout in Mexico. The second was a two-panel seminar entitled *Mexico the Day after the Elections: Challenges of Governance and Policy Reform*, On the first panel, Jorge Chávez-Presa from the Partido Revolucionario Institucional (PRI), Gerardo Esquivel from the Partido Revolución Democrática (PRD) and Carlos Montaño from the Partido Acción Nacional (PAN) presented the economic proposals of presidential candidates running for office. Faculty members Merilee Grindle and Alejandro Poiré moderated this panel. During the second panel, faculty members John Coatsworth and Fernando Reimers presented their views on the current economic and educational situation in Mexico in a roundtable setting; representatives of the presidential candidates also participated with their perspectives. This event provided Harvard faculty, students and the speakers with an opportunity to discuss the challenges of the next Mexican government and present the differences between parties.

The Mexican Studies Committee also supported the Harvard University Mexican Association (HUMA), a University-wide student organization that conducts activities related to Mexico where students and faculty who share interest in Mexico present their research. The first event of this kind
took place in April, when Dr. Susan Pick, Visiting Fellow at the Harvard School of Public Health and director of the Mexican Institute for Research on Family and Population (IMIFAP), presented her work on Agentic Empowerment: an Integrated Approach to Health and Development in Mexico.

During the year, DRCLAS organized, sponsored or co-sponsored a large number of events on diverse Mexican topics. One of the most important was the Latin American History Workshop that took place in October when Friedrich Katz, Professor Emeritus of Latin American History and Co-Director of the Mexican Studies Program at the University of Chicago spoke on International Wars, Mexico, and US Hegemony. The second was the presentation by Francisco Gil-Díaz, Finance Minister of Mexico, on The Mexican Economy: Recent Developments and Perspectives, which was sponsored by DRCLAS, the Harvard University Mexican Association and the Center for International Development. The 2005–06 Mexico-related events concluded with two insightful presentations. The first one, by Professor Alfredo Romero-Castilla of the Center of International Relations at the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Mexico, was entitled From Indentured Laborers to Small Entrepreneurs 100 Years of Korean Immigrants in Mexico and was co-sponsored by the Korea Institute and DRCLAS. The last event, A First Approach to the History of the Communist Party of Spain in its Mexican Exile (1939–1977), took place in May and was presented by Marco Aurelio Torres. This research project focuses on the history of the Communist Party of Spain (PCE) in its Mexican exile, since the first political refugees (including communists) arrived in Mexico in 1939 and a delegation of the PCE was formed, until the legalization of the Party in Spain in 1977.

Cuban Studies Program

The Cuban Studies Program continued to advance research, teaching and other activities during the 2005–06 academic year, despite the impediments related to denials and delays of visas for Cuban scholars invited to Harvard by U.S. authorities. The initiatives undertaken have laid the foundations for additional short-term exchanges, joint seminars and conferences, and joint publications, and also promise to lead to significant publications.

Harvard Medical School Professor Arachu Castro and a research team headed by Dr. Jorge Pérez from Cuba’s Institute of Tropical Medicine Pedro Kourí initiated a joint research project to examine the impact of the provision of effective AIDS therapy in Cuba on quality of life and the illness experience of AIDS patients, including AIDS-related stigma and discrimination.

Professor Jorge I. Domínguez and Professor Castro, Co-Chairs of the Cuban Studies Program, presided over a year-long interdisciplinary Cuba Study Group for graduate students with Cuba-related dissertations. Eight graduate students from the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, the Graduate School of Design, Harvard Medical School and the Harvard Graduate School of Education and one honors senior undergraduate student from Harvard College presented their research projects to study group participants.

Together with the François-Xavier Bagnoud Center for Health and Human Rights at the Harvard School of Public Health, the Cuban Studies Program also announced the creation of its first Global Public Health Leadership Fellowship, a program that will support a one-year research fellowship at the Institute of Tropical Medicine Pedro Kourí in Havana, Cuba, for one clinician from a high-HIV prevalence country in collaboration with Harvard faculty. The first Global Public Health Leadership Fellow will be appointed in the coming academic year.

During the summer of 2006, the Spanish edition of the volume, The Cuban Economy at the Start of the Twenty-first Century, co-edited by Jorge I. Domínguez, Omar Everleny Pérez Villanueva, and Lorena Barberia, will be published in Mexico City jointly by the David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies at Harvard University and El Colegio de México.

The David Rockefeller Center remained steadfast in its efforts to bring Cuban scholars to Harvard. The Center invited a total of 14 scholars at the forefront of Cuban academic scholarship to spend four to six week residencies during the fall 2005 and spring 2006 semesters at Harvard. Although six of these visas were denied and the remaining decisions have yet to be announced by the U.S. State Department, the Cuban Studies Program expects to host these Cuban scholars in the coming academic year.

Scholars will contribute to improved understanding of important areas that represent significant lacunae in Cuban studies in the United States, such as the effectiveness of Cuba’s programs treating persons living with AIDS and issues that have the potential to significantly contribute to improved bilateral relations between the United States and Cuba.

In addition, Rafael Hernández, editor of Temas, has been appointed Harvard’s Robert F. Kennedy Visiting Professor of Latin American Studies for the fall semester of 2006. He will teach in the History Department and the Kennedy School of Government.

Cuba Study Group Participants and Research Topics

Melissa Burroughs
Harvard Medical School  
Racial Prejudice and HIV Stigma: A Comparison of Cuba and Puerto Rico

Timothy Hyde
Graduate School of Design, Architectural History and Theory  
An Architectural Constitution: Representation and Civic Space in Cuba, 1937–1959

Monica Ricketts
Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, History  
Pens, Politics, and Swords: Men of Letters and Military Officers, Peru–Spain, 1760–1830

Valeria Rocha
Graduate School of Education, Higher Education Development  
Teacher Education in Cuba and Its Impact on Achievement

Linda Rodriguez
Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, History  
Art and Architecture Depictions of Music, Dance, and Procession amongst Cubans of African Descent in Colonial Prints, Paintings, and Drawings and their Influence on the Formation of a Discourse about Afro–Cuban Culture

Rainer Schultz
Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, History  
The Soviet Union and Cuba: The First Years after 1959

Noelle Stout
Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Social Anthropology  
Revolutionary Hustlers? The Sexual Politics of Late-Socialism in Cuba

Grete Tove Vidal
Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, African and African-American Studies and Anthropology  
Sueno de Haiti: Danced Identity in Eastern Cuba

Anna Cutler Walters
Harvard College, Folklore and Mythology  
Danced Belief: Embodying Orishas in Matanzas, Cuba

Left to right: Gabriel Rocha ’08; Roquinaldo Ferreira, 2005–06 Lemann Visiting Scholar; Bruno Carvalho, GSAS; Jason Dyett, Brazil Office Director, and Professor Kenneth Maxwell. Bull’s head in Puebla, Mexico. Taxi in Havana, Cuba.

Background: Mural in Havana, Cuba.

http://drclas.fas.harvard.edu
DRCLAS by the numbers

**EVENTS SPONSORED BY THE CENTER**
- 20 Lectures and Seminars
- 9 Research Conferences and Workshops
- 1 Art Exhibitions
- 4 Film Series
- 4 Outreach Programs for Local Schools
- 6,000+ Attendance at DRCLAS Events

**CENTER PUBLICATIONS**
- 7 DRCLAS Book Series (new titles)
- 1 Working Papers
- 1 Issues of *ReVista*
- 58,000 Visitors to website (per month)

Andean Studies Program
The DRCLAS Andean Studies Committee, chaired by Thomas B.F. Cummins, Dumbarton Oaks Professor of Pre-Columbian and Colonial Art History, makes Andean resources more accessible to faculty, students and the public by highlighting and promoting work related to Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Venezuela. The Committee works closely with the DRCLAS Regional Office based in Santiago, Chile.

DRCLAS hosted 13 conferences and events related to the Andes during the 2005–06 academic year. A number of this year’s Andean activities focused on Chilean and Peruvian history and politics, including an address by Peruvian President, Alejandro Toledo, at the Kennedy School of Government in April 2006 and a seminar by Professor Charles D. Kenney, of the University of Oklahoma, on Peru’s political organization and 2006 elections.

In November 2005, DRCLAS Senior Fellow Kenneth Maxwell joined a panel discussion entitled *Myth, History, and Chile’s Operation Condor: All the News That’s Fit to Print (but sometimes isn’t)* with Peter Kornbluh of the National Security Archive and George Washington University, and John Dinges, of Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism. In related activities on Chile, Carmen Ogundo-Villar, a PhD candidate in Romance Languages and Literatures at Harvard presented her work on *Chile, 1973: Media and Legality during the Coup*, and Alejandra Carmona screened her autobiographical documentary *Somewhere in Heaven*, on the assassination of her father by Pinochet’s secret service. The 2005–06 Luksic Visiting Scholar Arturo Navarro, Executive Director of the Cultural Center Estación Mapocho, presented on the Estación Mapocho’s success as a self-financing cultural promotion institution in Chile.

Other initiatives focusing on the history, politics, public health and cultural issues of the Andes, included a presentation by Sebastian Mazzuca from University of California, Berkeley, on political conflict and power sharing in the origins of modern Colombia, as well as a discussion by the 2005–06 Cisneros Visiting Scholar, Patricia Márquez, on leadership and social enterprise in Latin America. Throughout the spring semester, the DRCLAS Art Forum featured photographs by Peruvian photographer Baldomero Alejos. The exhibition, *Retouched*, displayed moving portraits of families, individuals and religious ceremonies in Peru at the turn-of-the-century.

Puerto Rico Winter Institute Seminars
**AIDS in the Caribbean**
Arachu Castro, Harvard Medical School
Chair of the 2006 Puerto Rico Winter Institute

**Mental Health among Latinos**
Dharma Cortés, Harvard Medical School
Glorisa Canino, University of Puerto Rico

**Immigration and the Health of U.S. Latinos**
Dolores Acevedo–Garcia, Harvard School of Public Health
Jorge Duany, University of Puerto Rico

In addition to the seminars, lectures and site visits were organized as part of the Institute. The lectures covered the topics of drug use and HIV in Puerto Rico, AIDS and masculinity, mental health in the workplace, mental health and adolescents in Puerto Rico, the Boricua Diaspora in the United States, and gender, immigration and reproduction. Site visits included trips to Salud de la Capital, Community Network for Clinical Research on AIDS (CONCRA), Centro de Estudios Materno-Infantiles, Centro Mujer y Salud, Centro Salud San Patricio, Centro de Desarrollo de la Mujer Dominicana and the Círculo Cubano de Puerto Rico.

The collaborating institutions — the Universidad de Puerto Rico, Centro de Estudios Avanzados de Puerto Rico y el Caribe, and the Escuela de Artes Plásticas — were key in assuring the Institute’s success and in achieving an overall memorable experience to all participants with the generous support of the Wilbur Marvin Foundation.

Currently, the Center is organizing the third Puerto Rico Winter Institute, which will take place in January 2007 with a focus on the environment.

**Background:** Andes Mountains view from Chilean Patagonia.
Inter-Faculty Committee on Latino Studies
The Center established the Inter-Faculty Committee on Latino Studies (IFCLAS) in 1999 to bring together faculty engaged in the study of Latin American immigration and communities of Latin American descent in the United States. Chaired by Professor David Carrasco from the Faculty of Arts and Sciences and the Divinity School, IFCLAS seeks to promote and strengthen the study of the population of Latin American–origin in the United States at Harvard University. Despite limited institutional and financial resources, IFCLAS continues to ensure that Harvard’s achievements in the area of Latino studies advance.

With continued support from IFCLAS, the 2005 Boston Latino International Film Festival (BLIFF) exceeded previous success by breaking attendance records and increasing the number of films screened. IFCLAS was instrumental in establishing this week-long festival whose inaugural edition was held at DRCLAS in 2000. Through IFCLAS, DRCLAS has fostered the growth of BLIFF and provided a forum for Latino issues at Harvard through the medium of film. Working with the Harvard Film Archive and the Carpenter Center, IFCLAS once again sponsored the opening reception at the Carpenter Center.

IFCLAS has also continued its support of the Latino Studies Student Research Symposium. Partnering with the Harvard student umbrella organization Concilio Latino, this third year of the symposium included participation from the College as well as Harvard’s professional schools. The one-day symposium included panels with topics such as Nuevos Caminos: Latin@ Education, Latin@ Roots: Latin American Issues and Networks and Neighborhoods: Latin@ Connections. Doris Sommer, Ira Jewell Williams, Jr. Professor of Romance Languages and Literatures, made the closing remarks.

This year, other DRCLAS programs also reflected growing concern with Latino and immigration issues. The theme of the 2006 Puerto Rico Winter Institute was health, with sessions examining issues such as Immigration and Health of U.S. Latinos and Mental Health among Latinos. IFCLAS faculty member, Dolores Acevedo-Garcia from the School of Public Health presented her work on Latino Health Paradoxes. The Corporate Partners Program also devoted its fall seminar to the topic of remittances from U.S. Latinos to Latin America. These key initiatives by other programs reflect the growing importance of the presence of IFCLAS both at DRCLAS and at Harvard.

Cultural Agency: Contributions of the Humanities and Arts to Society
The Cultural Agents Initiative (CAI) is a network of academics, artists and administrators who demonstrate that creativity is a foundation for democracy. Without resourceful and flexible citizens to enable non-aggressive solutions to social crises and to consider debates from several points of view, democracy is unthinkable. Creativity and free judgment, the hallmarks of an aesthetic education, are also the antidotes for authoritarianism and for despair. CAI’s main programs are: *The Americas Series*, GSAS Workshop, CCTV Cultural Agents Show and conferences on Best Practices.

The *Americas Series* is a monthly seminar that invites cultural agents, people who contribute positive change through the arts and humanities, to talk about their projects. Guests this year included Jorge Orlando Melo, Director of the Banco de la República Arts Department (Colombia); NYU Professor Silvia Molloy, who presented *Borges: An Encore*; and Alicia Campos, who related her experience using art as therapy with abused children living on the streets of Mexico City. Sergio Bessa, Bronx Museum Director of Education, spoke about the museum’s community projects, and DRCLAS Visiting Scholar and director of the cultural center Estación Mapocho (Chile), Professor Arturo Navarro, discussed the benefits of self-financing in *Culture Pays: Cultura y Autofinanciamiento*.

FAS students have taken advantage of the GSAS Workshop, which has been instrumental in engaging in comparative analysis and in identifying particular cases of cultural agency across the continent. Furthermore, the workshop has helped students renew hope in humanist interpretations as legitimate vehicles for social change.

CCTV Cultural Agents Show aims to highlight the ways in which people from many walks of life and fields use art to create social change. Each show highlights different art forms and artists, interrogating how and why they decide to impact society through art. Some of the guests featured this year were Harvard University’s Kuumba Singers; Dr. Raquel Rivera, a freelance journalist and Professor of Sociology at Tufts University; the Boston Latino International Film Festival (BLIFF) director, José Augusto Barriga, Roberto Chao, a muralist and graphic designer; and Larry Harlow, a living legend of Afro-Cuban music. Each show also features a *Word on the Street* segment, an in-house production with a selection of footage that ranges from street interviews to rehearsal clips.

**Best Practices** conferences concentrate on identifying and developing creativity in ways that enhance civil society. These include, among others, the *Cultural Agents Graduate Conference, Jewish Latin Mix: Making Salsa, and Culturas en el Aire!* The *Cultural Agents Graduate Conference* developed opportunities for young scholars to take inspiration from creative social practices and to offer back useful reflections for practitioners. The *Jewish Latin Mix: Making Salsa* conference also involved a master class and a concert featuring Jewish and Latino artists who created a musical meeting ground for various ethnicities. The *Culturas en el Aire!* conference in Santiago, Chile, aimed to study and promote indigenous radio throughout the Americas.
Outreach

In its seventh year as a Title VI National Resource Center, DRCLAS continued to promote teaching about and exposure to a wide variety of topics on Latin America both within and outside the University. Faculty contribute analytical articles on the region to national print media, respond to requests for speaking engagements and, along with DRCLAS staff, provide information and guidance on curriculum development at the K–12 level.

In its effort to connect the community at-large with Latin America, during the past year, students from Cambridge Rindge and Latin High School's AP Spanish class interviewed DRCLAS's Visiting Scholar, Arturo Navarro, about Chile, the cultural arts and the Centro Cultural Estación Mapocho, his organization in Santiago. Filmed live at the Cambridge Educational Access's Media Arts Studio, the conversation resulted in a 45-minute program, La Via a Mapocho, which aired on the city's cable access channel available in 28,000 homes. Other outreach efforts involved hosting groups of middle-school students from under-resourced Massachusetts and New York communities for campus tours. During these, students met with faculty and staff to discuss strategies for focusing on academic and extracurricular achievement as a means to pursue higher education.

Title VI program funds also support courses throughout the university on less-commonly taught languages that promote student involvement with community-based organizations, such as Haitian Creole, taught for a second year at Harvard Medical School. Students have the option of working with Partners in Health in Haiti as well as metropolitan Boston's Haitian community. For the wider scholarly community, DRCLAS supplied short-term fellowships for faculty members from U.S. educational institutions who lack access to extensive Latin American library resources. The three recipients, from Smith College, Syracuse University and Tulane University, pursued their research agendas for approximately six weeks using Harvard's Latin American library collections.

Art Forum

The 2005–06 academic year marked the final consolidation of the Art Forum as one of the most recognized and leading venues for Latino and Latin-American emerging artists in the United States and in Latin America. Due to relocation to the CGIS building in the fall semester, DRCLAS did not host an exhibition that semester; instead the Center concentrated all its efforts in the spring semester exhibit Retouched — a major retrospective of Peruvian photographer Baldomero Alejos.

Consisting of more than 150 silver gelatin photographs, 50 contact sheets and an important number of negatives, Retouched presented, for the first time to the American public, the masterful works of Baldomero Alejos, the town photographer of Ayacucho, a small town in the middle of the Peruvian Andes between 1920 and the 1970s. Through the presentation of original glass plates, the exhibition showed the skillfulness in the retouching technique that set aside this humble studio photographer from all his peers in the region, as well as revealing the studied, rehearsed ways in which he depicted his subjects to achieve “naturalness” in the images. Due to the fast deterioration of this vast archive — over 100,000 negatives — the two-year preparation and research of the exhibition involved the restoration, stabilization and digitalization of a significant number of these photographs. The Center contributed with a donation to the Alejos Family of a high definition scanner and archival materials for the preservation of the negatives.

The exhibit not only constituted a breakthrough and important contribution to the field of Latin American photography and Andean art, but it also supposed the consolidation, within a university setting, of a collaborative mode for producing this type of large exhibitions at the Center. The scholarly scope of the exhibition gave graduate and undergraduate students an opportunity to participate in the research of the exhibition, as well as to team up with the Casa de La Cultura, in South Boston, where DRCLAS hosted part of the exhibition.

The success of these types of collaborations over the years has cemented the Center's reputation and stance as a key player in the arts in the Boston area. Furthermore, the scope of the exhibitions has opened much needed spaces for students, at the graduate and undergraduate level, to do hands-on research on contemporary Latin American Art, and to publish some of those findings in the catalogue of the exhibition.

The catalogue of this exhibition will be the second one the Art Forum produces and will feature essays specially commissioned for the exhibition on Andean Art and Latin American Photography by leading scholars as well as graduate students' contributions, in an effort to continue fostering academic research among our students.
Book Series
The DRCLAS book series now totals 16 titles, the majority of which are Harvard faculty-edited volumes from conferences on topics from indigenous peoples of the Americas to free trade. In 2005–06, DRCLAS published three additional volumes: *Philanthropy and Social Change in Latin America*, edited by Cynthia Sanborn and Felipe Portocarrero; a new edition and translation of *Titu Cusi: A 16th Century Account of the Conquest*, by Nicole Legnani; and a new revised and expanded edition of *Bitter Fruit: The Story of the American Coup in Guatemala*, by Stephen Schlesinger and Stephen Kinzer, which continues to be a DRCLAS bestseller.

On April 17, 2006, DRCLAS and the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) reached an agreement to co-publish a series of books on Latin American development issues. IDB President Luis A. Moreno signed the agreement with Harvard President Lawrence H. Summers in Cambridge and remarked that the agreement "will expand the reach of the institutions' expertise and experience, contributing to the dialogue on the most promising path to development of the region." Under the agreement, the two institutions will co-publish in English, in Spanish, or in both languages. A standard peer review process will ensure a high standard of scholarly quality. Co-published books will be distributed by Harvard University Press in the United States. The institutions will also collaborate on e-book dissemination, using online content distributors in the United States and Latin America. *The Politics of Policies: Economic and Social Progress in Latin America*, the IDB 2006 Report examines how the workings of the policymaking process affect the quality of policy outcomes. *The Emergence of China: Opportunities and Challenges for Latin America and the Caribbean*, also co-published with the IDB, reviews China's economic policy and performance and contrasts them with the Latin American experience. *Effective Management of Social Enterprises: Lessons from Businesses and Civil Society Organizations in Iberoamerica*, also co-published with the IDB, explores the way forty social and business organizations achieve superior social performance in Spain and Latin America. As part of this agreement, the IDB will translate into Spanish and distribute selected DRCLAS books in the series. The first translated book thus far is *Alianzas sociales en América Latina: Enseñanzas extraídas de colaboraciones entre el sector privado y organizaciones de la sociedad civil*, which is a translation of the first SEKN book (2004), *Social Partnering in Latin America*.

In late summer of 2006, DRCLAS also published a bilingual (English–Portuguese) edition of *Brazil through the Eyes of William James: Diaries, Letters, and Drawings, 1865–1866*. This volume presents the diary, letters and drawings by William James from his trip to Brazil as member of a scientific expedition headed by Louis Agassiz, in 1865–66; it is edited, introduced and placed in its historical context by Maria Helena Machado.

This year saw the publication of one ReVista on Latin America Year of Elections. Its editor, Alejandro Poiré, is also the author of Working Paper 05/06–1 entitled “The Problem of Money in Electoral Politics: A Latin American Perspective.” DRCLAS also produced a report on Mexican Studies at Harvard which recounted activities during the 2001–2006 period and is testimony of the growth of Mexican Studies at the University to date.
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Two panels on the economic and social development proposals of the three major presidential candidates of Mexico. Panelists included: Gerardo Esquivel from Partido de la Revolución Democrática, Carlos Montaño from Partido Acción Nacional and Jorge Chávez-Presa from Partido Revolucionario Institucional. Faculty participants included John H. Coatsworth, Merilee Grindle, Alejandro Poiré and Fernando Reimers.

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Celebrating Brazil at Harvard
Professor Lilia Moritz Schwarcz, University of São Paulo, author of Spectacle Of Races and The Emperor’s Beard, for which she received the Jabuti Prize, Brazil’s major book award, discussed the visit to Harvard by Pedro II, Emperor of Brazil in 1876.

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Los Retos de Latinoamérica en el Mundo Global
Lecture by Carlos Berzosa, Rector of the Universidad Complutense, Madrid.
Conferences

The Center sponsored or co-sponsored nine international workshops, seminars and conferences, bringing together a wide range of experts to address many of the most challenging issues facing Latin America.

Conferences

The Copan Hieroglyphic Stairway Research Conference
June 2005, November 2005 and June 2006
Cambridge and Copan, Honduras
William Fash, FAS, Anthropology
The Hieroglyphic Stairway of the Classic Maya archaeological site of Copan, Honduras, has long been appreciated for its historical significance and as the longest surviving hieroglyphic inscription of the Pre-Columbian Americas. Working with the Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology, DRCLAS co-sponsored this three-part scholarly conference which brought together the four foremost scholars in Maya hieroglyphic decipherment in the world: Stephen Houston, Simon Martin, David Stuart, and Marc Zender. The outcome of this conference will be the final revisions on the line drawings on the Hieroglyphic Stairway; the proper placement of the glyph blocks that were reconstructed incorrectly when the stairway was reassembled in the 1930s; and the decipherment and scholarly interpretation of the surviving hieroglyphic inscription.

Culture and the Markets in Latin America
August 2005
Buenos Aires, Argentina
Luis Carcamo-Huechante, FAS, Romance Languages and Literatures
This workshop examined the ways in which the market is framing literary, artistic and cultural production, and the relationship between literature and capitalism in Latin America. Since the structural adjustments of the 1970s and 1980s, the vast and diverse economic, social and cultural geography of Latin American capitals have been reshaped by the advent of a market-oriented society. Market culture has driven the production, circulation and dissemination of literary and artistic production more than national imagination. This gathering of scholars examined the interrelations between market and culture, with the aim of collecting the intellectual outcome of this workshop into a collaborative publication.

Education and the Civic Purpose of Schools in the Americas
August 2005
San Jose, Costa Rica
Fernando Reimers, Graduate School of Education
This two-day conference brought together scholars and senior policy makers from Brazil, Costa Rica, Colombia, Mexico and the United States to discuss the civic purposes of schools and to take stock of exemplary practices in civic education throughout the Americas. The focus was on the work of K–12 public schools engaged in education for democratic citizenship and the conference promoted dialogue between scholars and practitioners. Themes explored included: identifying skills and attitudes that contribute to engaged and tolerant deliberation in democratic societies; examining current policies and programs that support the development of democratic citizenship; pinpointing the gaps in knowledge that exist in the construction of a democratic theory of education; and the implications of the existing knowledge base for policy reform.

Borges Workshop
October 2005
DRCLAS, Cambridge
Diana Sorensen, FAS, Romance Languages and Literatures
The directors of the Borges Center at Aarhus University in Denmark, Cristina Parodi and Ivan Almeida, were invited to the Harvard community for this workshop series with the aim of establishing a presence in the field of Borges studies at the University. This exchange also paved the way toward bringing the valuable materials and initiatives of the Borges Center to Harvard. The workshops offered by the directors included: Borges y el Arte de Injuriar, Borges y la Representación and a lecture by Sylvia Malloy. Alfred Schweitzer Professor of the Humanities, at New York University, entitled Rethinking Borges. The series appealed to a wide audience and helped galvanize existing interest in Borges studies.

The New Comparative Economic History
November 2005
DRCLAS, Cambridge
John H. Coatsworth, FAS, History Department
This two-day conference, co-sponsored by DRCLAS and the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs brought together more than 85 international participants with the purpose of sharing research and honoring Jeffrey G. Williamson, Laird Bell Professor of Economics. Blending theoretical formalism and rigorous empirics with institutional perspectives and political economy, a long-run, historical perspective was brought to current debates among economists and policymakers by emphasizing that what is important about historical development can best be understood in a comparative perspective that recognizes the interrelatedness of countries and regions through markets and other means. This research agenda extends and enriches the cliometric revolution, of which Professor Jeffrey G. Williamson has been a pioneer. The conference sought to promote this area of research, attract future scholars and engage other social scientists in an interdisciplinary conversation. Twelve papers were presented; discussion was lead by leaders in this field. The papers will ultimately be published in a volume provisionally edited by John H. Coatsworth, Harvard University; Kevin H. O’Rourke, Trinity College, Dublin; and Alan M. Taylor University of California, Davis.

Background: Brazilian and American flags.
Symposium on the Significance of Latin American Elections
March 2006
Harvard University, Cambridge
John H. Coatsworth (FAS) History Department and Jorge I. Domínguez (FAS) Department of Government
This daylong symposium, co-sponsored by the David Rockefeller Center and the Nieman Foundation for Journalism, featured panel discussions by distinguished journalists and scholars examining the meaning of this year’s elections in Latin America. Topics include, Elections Past and the Move to the Left with remarks on Chile by Patricia Politzer, author of Fear in Chile, and Juan Forero, Bogota Bureau Chief of The New York Times, discussing Bolivia. DRCLAS Visiting RFK Professor Alejandro Poiré. John Coatsworth, and Gerardo Esquivel of the Harvard Institute for International Development discussed the Mexican elections; Juan Forero looked at elections in Colombia; and Juan Tamayo, chief correspondent of The Miami Herald reviewed the Nicaraguan elections. Professor Jorge I. Domínguez delivered the keynote speech on the implications of these elections for U.S.-Latin American relations.

Fourth Annual Brazil Week at Harvard – The Music of Brazil
April 19-23, 2006
DRCLAS and Paine Hall, Cambridge
Clémence Jouët-Pastré, FAS, Department of Romance Languages and Literatures
This year’s Brazil Week at Harvard brought together scholars, leaders, members of the local community and Harvard students to discuss the richness and variety of Brazilian music. In addition to celebrating the international character and appeal of Brazil’s song and dance music, the lesser-known genres such as Brazilian classical music and abio (Brazilian cowboys’ plaintive singing) were also explored. This year’s edition included a screening of the documentary Aboio (Cattle Callers), a concert by the Anita Coelho Brazilian Jazz Ensemble; a panel entitled Conversations about Tropicalism with Christopher Dunn of Tulane University, and Nicolau Sevcenko, Visiting Professor of Romance Languages and Literatures at Harvard University. The final event was An Afternoon of Brazilian Classical Music with music by the Solati Trio performing works by Villa-Lobos, Camargo Guarnieri, Lorenzo Fernández, Oswaldo Lacerda and Henrique Oswald at Paine Hall.

Mexican Immigration and Health
May 2006
DRCLAS, Cambridge
Dolores Acevedo-García, School of Public Health
The goal of this gathering was to work on putting the issue of Mexican immigrant health on Mexico’s national health survey. The conference brought together scholars from the Harvard School of Public Health with members of the Mexican National Institute of Public Health to examine immigration and related themes to be included in health surveys. Discussions centered on which surveys lend themselves to including data on immigration; processes and methodologies to be used; what institutions should be involved; and how the experience of adding questions on immigration to a Mexican health survey can be used as a first step toward developing a binational research initiative on immigration and health.

Manifest Destinies and the Elimination of Indigenous Peoples
May 2006
DRCLAS, Cambridge
David Maybury-Lewis, FAS, Anthropology
Building on the success of a previous conference on the topic, whose proceedings were published in the DRCLAS Book Series as The Politics of Ethnicity: Indigenous Peoples in Latin American States, this conference brought together leading specialists on indigenous issues in order to stimulate close collaboration between scholars who are studying the treatment of indigenous peoples in large continental countries where invading colonists justified their actions through manifest destiny. Presentations included experts from Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile and the United States. The current state of indigenous rights in these countries was also examined. It is expected that the papers presented will also be edited for publication.

Latin American Tuesday Seminar Series
The Tuesday Seminar on Latin American Affairs Series allows faculty, visiting scholars, graduate students and invited guests to present their research on contemporary issues in Latin America. The seminar series is open to the public and regularly attracts a diverse audience of academics, students and members of the community. Co-chairs for the series in 2005–06 were John H. Coatsworth, Jorge I. Domínguez and Steve Levitsky.

This year DRCLAS hosted 23 seminars on political, economic and social themes that covered topics such as: Why are Presidential Democracies Fragile?, Public Funding of Parties in Mexico: What does it achieve?, Political Conflict and Power Sharing in the Origins of Modern Colombia; Property Rights for the Poor; Inequality, Institutions, and Economic Backwardness in Latin American History; and The Political and Legal Status of Women in Latin America.

History Workshop
The Boston Area Workshop for Latin American History provides faculty, graduate students and invited scholars engaged in Latin American history with a forum to share their work. The series is made possible by the generous support of the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. In the 2005–2006 academic year, the Center sponsored 15 workshops on a range of topics including: Political Economy and Economic Organization in Colonial Latin America; International Wars, Mexico, and US Hegemony; Race Beyond the Plantation: Slavery and Freedom in Santo Domingo; Theory and Practice in the Black Atlantic: The Dynamic of the African Diaspora from Angola to Brazil; and Economic Costs and Benefits of a Colonial Relationship: Mexico and Spain in the Eighteenth Century.
Robert F. Kennedy Professorship

The Robert F. Kennedy (RFK) Visiting Professorship in Latin American Studies was created at Harvard University in 1986 through a generous gift from the late Edmond Safra and the Republic of New York Corporation. DRCLAS administers the RFK Professorship, which enables Harvard to regularly invite eminent Latin Americans from any field — a composer one year, an historian the next, an architect, physiologist, legal scholar, banker, novelist, poet, economist, sociologist, anthropologist — to teach at the University for one semester.

Each year, the Center invites faculty members to nominate scholars or practitioners for the Professorship. RFK Professors may be appointed in any department or school of the University, but must be currently residing in Latin America. In 2005–06, the Center hosted two distinguished Robert F. Kennedy Visiting Professors of Latin American Studies: Ernesto Schiefelbein, former Chilean Minister of Education, and Alejandro Poiré, professor and department chair at the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM) and a leading scholar on the Mexican electoral process. 

Ernesto Schiefelbein served as Chilean Minister of Education and Rector of the Universidad Santo Tomás. Previously he was Director of the UNESCO Regional Office of Education for Latin America and the Caribbean and worked as Educational Economist at the World Bank in Washington, D.C. A distinguished scholar, Schiefelbein is the author of more than ten books and is a former visiting professor at Harvard. Most recently he was appointed Visiting Professor at the Center for the Study of International Cooperation in Education in Hiroshima University. During the spring 2005 term, Schiefelbein taught two courses at Harvard’s Graduate School of Education: Rethinking the Purposes of Education in Developing Countries and Foundations of Systemic Educational Change in Developing Countries.

Alejandro Poiré has been a professor and department chair at the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM) in Mexico City. A leading scholar on the Mexican electoral process, he has published several academic pieces analyzing public opinion, political culture, campaign dynamics and voting behavior in Mexico. He has also been Senior Researcher of the Mexico 2000 and 2006 panel studies and principal co-investigator of the 2002 Mexico Panel. As a political analyst, he conducted a radio commentary weekly for three years in Mexico City and his opinions and editorials have appeared in Letras Libres, Nexos, Hoja por Hoja, Cambio, Reforma, El Norte, Milenio and Milenio Semanal, among other periodicals. More recently, he served as a senior official in Mexico’s Instituto Federal Electoral (IFE), the independent agency that has cleaned up Mexico’s elections and made a peaceful democratic transition possible. Professor Poiré’s specific job was to enforce the laws on political parties, which include assuring parties’ access to publicly provided television and radio, oversight of party compliance with legal code and their internal statutes in their candidate and leadership selection, and the disbursement and auditing of their public finance. While at Harvard, Professor Poiré taught a course at the Kennedy School of Government entitled The Problem of Money in Electoral Politics.
Visiting Scholars Program
The Visiting Scholars and Fellows Program strengthens ties between Harvard and other institutions by hosting distinguished academics and professionals who wish to conduct research on a particular topic or region of Latin America. In 2005–06, there were 12 scholars and fellows in residence at Harvard including experts in the fields of colonial history, botany, Central American literature, social enterprise and corporate philanthropy, landscape architecture and economic history.

Patricia Márquez, Venezuela
Cisneros Visiting Scholar
Instituto de Estudios Superiores de Administración (IESA)
The Role of Leadership in Developing Business-Run Social Initiatives

Arturo Navarro, Chile
Luksic Visiting Fellow
Centro Cultural Estación Mapocho/Universidad de Chile
Cultural Administration and the Creation of New Cultural Audiences

Richard Salvucci, USA
Peggy Rockefeller Visiting Scholar
Trinity University
La Deuda Eterna: A New Financial History of Mexico’s London Debt, 1823-1887

Ernesto Schargrodsky, Argentina
de Fortabat Visiting Scholar
Universidad Torcuato di Tella
Property Rights for the Poor: Effects on Investment, Health, Household Size, Education, Access to Credit, Beliefs, and Political Patronage

Giacelia Silvestri, Argentina
de Fortabat Visiting Scholar
Consejo Nacional de Investigaciones Científicas y Técnicas (CONICET)
The Relationship between Landscape and Architecture, in Its Social and Symbolic Construction

Robert Bye, USA
Antonio Madero/Fundación Mexico Visiting Scholar
Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM)
Bridging a Mexican Scientific Gap to Strengthen its Biodiversity Programs: Ethnobotanical Continuity between Colonial Explorations and National Scientific Institutions

Rafael Dobado, Spain
DRCLAS Visiting Scholar and Fellow with the Real Colegio Complutense
Universidad Complutense
Colonial Origins of Contemporary Problems in Latin America: An Enquiry into the Mexican Case

Roquinaldo Ferreira, Brazil
Jorge Paulo Lemann Visiting Scholar and Fellow with the W. E. B. Du Bois Institute for African and African American Research
University of Virginia
Slaving and Cross-Cultural Trade in the Atlantic World: Angola, Brazil and Kongo, 1650–1830

James Iffland, USA
Central American Visiting Scholar
Boston University
Culture and Revolutionary Politics in El Salvador: The Case of Roque Dalton

Salomón Kalmanovitz, Colombia
Santo Domingo Visiting Scholar
Universidad Nacional in Colombia
Introduction to the Economic History of Colombia

Library Scholars Program
The Center’s Library Scholars Program, supported under the Title VI of the U.S. Department of Education, provides competitively selected scholars access to extensive Latin American collections of the Harvard University Library System. Scholars from non-research institutions whose projects can best be served by Harvard libraries benefit from the special collections, as well as office space from DRCLAS. In the summer of 2006, the Center hosted three Library Scholars:

Ibtissam Bouachrine
Assistant Professor of Spanish, Smith College
Women and Gardens in Medieval and Early Modern Mediterranean Literatures and Cultures

Theresa A. Singleton
Associate Professor of Anthropology, Syracuse University
Of Suffering, Sorrow and Pain: Slavery on a Cuban Coffee Plantation

Donna Lee Van Cott
Assistant Professor of Political Science, Tulane University
Intercultural Governance and Democratic Quality in Latin America
faculty research and teaching

Support for faculty research gatherings and for individual research and other grants came from the Jorge Paulo Lemann Fund, the Antonio Madero Fund, the Julio Santo Domingo Fund, the Wilbur Marvin Fund, the Peggy Rockefeller Fund, the Gilsinski Fund, the Amalia Lacroze de Fortabat Fund and the Gustavo and Patricia Cisneros Fund. Grants are awarded in open competitions judged by DRCLAS faculty committees. During the 2006 faculty grant competition, Harvard faculty members received six conference grants, 10 research grants, six curriculum development grants to introduce new courses with Latin American content, two language study grants, two field trip grants, four working group and workshop grants and two grants for course-based field trips to the region.

Faculty Research Grants

Dolores Acevedo-Garcia, SPH
Patterns in self-rated health among latinos

Karen Peterson, SPH
Household food insecurity and nutritional problems of low-income families in Buenos Aires, Argentina: a qualitative case study

Jay Silverman, SPH
Violence victimization and health concerns among incarcerated woman in Recife, Brazil.

Noreen Tuross, FAS
Collaborative research in the Mitla/Yagul area of Mexico

Peter G. Rowe and José A. Gomez-Ibañez, GSD
Assessing the middle landscape: a close look at “La sabana de Bogota” and the capital region of Caracas

Jorge Silvetti, GSD
Studio: Museum of Copan Archeology in Copan, Honduras

2005–06 Course-Based Field Trip Grant Recipients

John Beardsley, Architecture/ GSD
Redesigning Villa Tranquila, an informal settlement in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Jonathan B. Losos, Department of Organismic and Evolutionary Biology/FAS
2006 Freshman Seminar, Evolutionary Diversification and Adaptive Radiation: Anolis Lizards of the Caribbean

Field Trip Grant Recipients

Luis Cárcamo-Huechante, RLL/FAS
Academic trips from Chile to the USA

Kimberly Theidon, Anthropology/FAS
Academic trips to Latin America

Language Study Grant Recipients

Andrew Nevins, Linguistics/FAS
Department 3rd Escola de Verão de Linguística Formal da América do Sul

Patrick Provost-Smith, HDS
Language Study Grant

Curriculum Development Grant Recipients

Luis Cárcamo-Huechante, RLL
Support creating the web page for culturas en el aire Initiative

Jorge Domínguez, FAS
Subsidy for the HB64 Cuban Sourcebook, Fall 2005

Clémence Jouët-Pastré, RLL/FAS
Ponto de Encontro: Portuguese as a World Language

Rob J. Kulathinal, Molecular & Cell Biology/FAS
Biology 95IFC, On the origin of species: a genomics approach to be held in Panama

Kimberly Theidon, Anthropology/FAS
Anthropology 1790: Violence in the Andes: Coca, Conflict, and Control

Kimberly Theidon, Anthropology/FAS
Anthropology 2870: Transgressive Texts: Contemporary Latin American Ethnographies

Working Group Grant Recipients

Gary Urton, Anthropology/FAS
Harvard Working Group in Central Andean Anthropology, Archaeology, and Art History

Left to Right: John Coatsworth, Monroe Gutman Professor of Latin American Affairs and Jorge I. Domínguez, Antonio Madero Professor of Mexican and Latin American Politics and Economics, Harvard College student Christian Franco ’08, Elisabeth Poorman ’06, recipient of the Kenneth Maxwell Thesis Prize in Brazilian Studies. Harvard College student Michael Codini ’08, in the Summer Internship Program in Santiago, Chile. Background: Bridge in Pucon, Chile.
Doctorates Awarded to Students Specializing in Latin American Studies

Doctorates of Philosophy

Alison Anne Adams

Gabriel Aguiler
Political Science. The Political Economy of Banking Regulation in Latin America during the 1990s: Mexico and Venezuela in Comparative Perspective.

Isaac Peter Campos-Costero

Carrie Anne Endries

Darby W. Jack
Public Policy. Household Behavior and Energy Demand: Evidence from Peru.

Halbert McNair Jones III
History. The War Has Brought Peace to Mexico: The Political Impact of Mexican Participation in World War II.

Meredith Esther Protas

Wendy D. Roth

Jalane Dawn Schmidt

William J. Suárez-Potts
History. The Making of Labor Law in Mexico, 1875–1931.

Michelle Antoinette Tisdell Flikke

Wanda I. Rivera
Romance Languages and Literatures. Literatura Presa, LiberArte: la Escritura de Cuatro Prisoneros Políticos Latinamericanos.

Doors of Education

Erika Feinauer

Silvia Romero-Contreras

Andrea Rolla San Francisco

James P. Seale-Collazo

Doctor of Science in Health and Social Behavior

Jodie Ann Abbatangelo-Gray

Socioeconomic Mobility


Mexico

Mexican Cave Tetra, Astyanax Morphological Evolution in the Genetics. Meredith Esther Protas

Mexico: The Political Impact of Mexican History. Carrie Anne Endries

Peru.

Protesters and the Getúlio Vargas History. Darby W. Jack

Regime in Brazil, 1933–1945.

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Social Anthropology. Coping with the Failure of States: Displacement and Xenophobia in Cuencan (Ecuador)

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Undergraduate Certificate in Latin American Studies

The DRCLAS–administered Certificate in Latin American Studies is awarded each year by Harvard’s Committee on Latin American and Iberian Studies to students graduating from the Harvard College and the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences who have fulfilled specific course requirements, demonstrated proficiency in Spanish or Portuguese and presented an honors thesis on a topic relating to Latin America. This year, 20 graduating Harvard College seniors were awarded certificates.

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student awards & accomplishments

William J. Suárez-Potts
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Social Anthropology. Living Remembrance: Memory, Activism & Personal Reconciliation in Ayacucho, Peru

Stephanie Hodges
Romance Languages and Literatures. Patria or Muerte: Puig and Traba in Dialogue

Doris Huang
Government. Why Do They Hate Us? (And Do They?): Anti-Americanism in Mexico & Argentina, 1989–2006

Mary Jimanus
Social Studies. Practicing Participation: Ecuador’s Social Movements Demand Participation in Free Trade

Gabriel Lopereña
Government. A Mixed Blessing: Venezuela and the Dangers of Pacted Democratization

Isley Markman
Social Studies. Rebuilding the Republic: Legitimacy & the ‘Legislator’ in Chile, 1973–Present

Sonja Miranda
History and Literature. From Creativity to Militancy: The Artist as Revolutionary in “Tucumán Arde” & “Libro de Manuel”

Natalie Orr
History and Literature. The Unholy Union: Pinchot’s Public Discourse and Post-Coup Chilean Poetry

James Pautz
Romance Languages and Literatures. Translating the Sonnets of Paulo Henriquez Britto and Glaucio Mattoso

Pablo Ros

Victoria Sprow
English. Where People Go When They Disappear: A Novel

Vanessa Tiradentes
Romance Languages and Literatures. Echoes of a Distant East: Resonances of Oral Tradition in the Works of Two Arab-Brazilian Authors

Anna Walters
Folklore and Mythology. Danced Belief: Embodying the Orishas in Matanzas, Cuba

David Wax
History and Literature. Dismantling the Archive: Counter-history in Augusto Roa Bastos’s “Yo el Supremo”

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Prizes

James R. and Isabel D. Hammond Thesis Prize
Established in 1992, with a gift from James R. Hammond ’57, the Hammond Prize is awarded for the best Harvard undergraduate senior honors thesis related to Spanish-speaking Latin America. The 2005 Hammond Thesis price recipient was David Wax for his History & Literature thesis, Dismantling the Archive: Counter–history in Augusto Roa Bastos’s “Yo el Supremo.”

Kenneth Maxwell Thesis Prize in Brazilian Studies
The Kenneth Maxwell Thesis Prize in Brazilian Studies was established to recognize the best Harvard College senior thesis on a subject related to Brazil. This annual prize is funded by a gift to DRCLAS from Professor Kenneth Maxwell. This year’s Kenneth Maxwell Thesis Prize recipient was Elisabeth Poorman for her History of Science thesis, “The Hope of Redemption”: Science, Coercion, & the Leper Colonies of Brazil.

The Laurance S. Rockefeller Thesis Prize
The Laurance S. Rockefeller Thesis Prize was created by the David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies in honor of David Rockefeller’s brother, Laurence S. Rockefeller, and his lifelong commitment to conservation and environmental preservation. The prize is awarded to the student who submits the best Environmental Science and Public Policy senior honors thesis. This year, Mary Julia James was awarded the prize for her thesis entitled Climate Change Mitigation and the Electricity Industry: A Critical Look at the Findings of Major Utility.

Summer Research Travel Grant Recipients
The Center awarded 30 Summer Research Travel Grants to graduate students and 29 to undergraduate students pursuing senior thesis topics for travel during the summer 2006. These grants were made possible through the generous support of 20 individual endowment funds at the Center.

Term-Time Travel Grant Recipients
The Center initiated a program of Term-Time grants during 2001, in response to student requests for research funding during the academic year. The grants are intended for undergraduate students completing thesis research for graduate students conducting dissertation research and for students from the professional schools executing specific projects, such as the Policy Analysis Exercise at the Kennedy School of Government. This year, a total of 32 grants were awarded to 7 undergraduate students and 25 graduate students for research conducted in the winter of 2005–06.

DRCLAS Summer Internship Programs
This year the Center placed Harvard students in internship programs in Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Mexico, Peru and Venezuela. In Argentina, Bolivia, Chile and Peru, the programs were run and managed through the DRCLAS Regional Office based in Santiago, Chile; in Mexico and Venezuela, the Center was assisted with coordination by Harvard Alumni and friends of the Center. The Center has lately offered two types of summer internship program options for Harvard students: the first is a structured two-month program in Argentina, Chile, or Venezuela where students get a chance to intern, travel and meet key figures in the host country, and the other is a more informal program in which the Center assists students with placement into a two-month internship and then offers them an initial one-week on the ground orientation and continued support in Bolivia, Peru or Mexico. This year, a total of 92 grants were awarded.

Conference Travel Grants
The Center’s Conference Travel Grants are intended to alleviate travel expenses for Harvard graduate students presenting at a conference outside of the Boston area. In 2005–06, DRCLAS awarded 38 Conference Travel Grants to students from the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences and every professional school at Harvard.

The Amalia Lacroze de Fortabat Fellowship Program
The Amalia Lacroze de Fortabat Fellowship Program was established by Argentine business–woman and philanthropist Amalia Lacroze de Fortabat in order to give promising Argentine students financial support to pursue graduate studies at Harvard University. Recipients of the de Fortabat Fellowship are expected to return to Argentina upon completion of studies at Harvard. For academic year 2005–06, nine students received de Fortabat fellowships:

Sheila Bohm, HLS
Federico Matías Bustelo, KSG
María Paula Bustos, GSAS, Economics
Carola Frydman, GSAS, Economics
Juana Hopwood-Reidel, HLS
Alfredo Iñárate, KSG
Federico Jeanneret, KSG
Richard Carlos Javier Saggetti, GSAS, Regional Studies of East Asia
Tamara Vinacur, HGSE
Mellon Summer Field Research Grants
Established through a grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, Mellon Summer Field Research Grants allow graduate students in the field of Latin American History to pursue fieldwork related to preliminary dissertation research and, in some cases, supplement a DRCLAS Summer Research Travel Grant. The Center awarded 6 Mellon Summer Field Research Grants in 2005–06.

Mellon Academic Year Fellowships in Latin American History
This Fellowship was established through a grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and provides a stipend of $17,000 for Harvard graduate students in the field of Latin American History at the Graduate School of Arts & Sciences. During the academic year 2005–06, there were six Mellon Fellows:

Ingrid Bleynat
Halbert Jones
Monica Ricketts
Miles Rodríguez
Julia Sarreal
Sergio Silva-Castañeda

Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship Program
The Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship Program, initiated at Harvard in 1994 with a U.S. Department of Education grant, enables Harvard to support graduate and professional school students seeking advanced training in modern foreign languages and area studies related to Latin America during the summer or the academic year.

FLAS Fellowship Recipients
Eric Calderwood, GSAS, Romance Languages and Literatures
Monique Callahan, GSAS, Comparative Literature
Sarah McCarthy, HSPH
Amy Nunn, HSPH
César Perez, GSAS, Romance Languages and Literatures
Juan Rivera-Herrera, GSAS, Romance Languages and Literatures

Summer 2005 FLAS Intensive Language Training Grant Recipients
Linda Abarbanell, GSE
Dylan Clark, GSAS, Anthropology
Sabina Neugebauer, GSE
Kedron Thomas, GSAS, Anthropology
Esmeralda Ulloa, GSAS, Romance Languages and Literatures
Stephen Zogall, GSAS, English

Student Organization Grant Recipients and Student Advisory Board
In 2005–06, the David Rockefeller Center Student Advisory Board, a group organized in 2001 to strengthen relationships between students and student organizations committed to Latin America and to provide insight to the DRCLAS student-related services, convened 28 graduate and undergraduate students from across the College, professional schools and student organizations. This past year, DRCLAS awarded 31 grants to 22 different student organizations to assist in the execution of their events. Student organization initiatives ranged from a Latino Studies Research Symposium to a Brazilian feijoada and the publication of the Harvard Journal of Hispanic Policy. For a complete listing of Latin America-related Student Organizations at Harvard, please visit the Center’s website.

Travel and Research Grants for Students, supported by the Jorge Paulo Lemann Endowment
Undergraduate Students
Devery Doran, Anthropology/Romance Languages & Literatures
Julia Mario, Psychology
Odeviz Soto, History
Jennifer Arias, Government
Erlin Gums, Social Anthropology
Miles Johnson, Social Studies
Amanda Martin, History & Science
Gregory Scruggs, Literature

Graduate Students
Andrea Allen, GSAS, Anthropology
Monique-Adelle Callahan, GSAS, Comparative Literature
Megwen Loveless, GSAS, Social Anthropology
Sarah MacCarthy, HSPH
Clara Masnatta, GSAS, Comparative Literature
Diego Miranda, GSAS, Government
Linda Peia, KSG
Julia Sarreal, GSAS, History
Graziella Silva, GSAS, Sociology
Juan Pablo Giraldó-Gómez, GSAS, Organismic and Evolutionary Biology
Rainer Schultz, GSAS, History

Left to Right: David Wax ’06, recipient of the James R. and Isabel D. Hammond Thesis Prize. Harvard College students Ercan Aksu ’08 and Janaki Kibe ’08 in the Summer Internship Program in Santiago, Chile. Steve Reifenberg and students on a group excursion in Chile. Harvard College student Darryl Cooper ’08 in the Summer Internship Program in Santiago, Chile.
Faculty Governance
The Center’s Director, a member of the Harvard faculty, is appointed jointly by the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences and the President of the University. The Director receives advice from two faculty governing bodies: a small Executive Committee and a larger Policy Committee, most of whom serve on at least one of the Center’s program of grants committees.

Executive Committee
Fourteen senior faculty members who serve three-year renewable terms meet with the Director and Executive Director each month to advise on Center policies and operations.

John Coatsworth
Monroe Gutman Professor of Latin American Affairs, FAS; Chair

James E. Austin
Elliot I. Snider and Family Professor of Business Administration, HBS

David Carrasco
(on leave 2005–06)
Neil L. Rudenstine Professor of the Study of Latin America, FAS/HDS

Thomas B. F. Cummins
Dumbarton Oaks Professor of Pre-Columbian and Colonial Art History, FAS

Jorge I. Domínguez
Antonio Madero Professor of Mexican and Latin American Politics and Economics, FAS

William L. Fash
Bowditch Professor of Central American and Mexican Archaeology and Ethnology, FAS

Merilee S. Grindle
Edward S. Mason Professor of International Development, KSG

N. Michele Holbrook
Thomas D. Cabot Associate Professor of Organismic and Evolutionary Biology, FAS

Kenneth Maxwell
Visiting Professor of History; Senior Fellow, David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, FAS

Biorn Maybury-Lewis (ex-officio)
Executive Director, David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, FAS

Fernando Reimers
Ford Foundation Professor of International Education; HGSE

Dorothy Sommers
Ira Jewell Williams Jr. Professor of Romance Languages and Literatures, FAS

Diana Sorensen
James F. Rothenberg Professor of Romance Languages and Literatures, FAS

Michael Starnbach
Associate Professor of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics, HMS

Andrés Velasco
(on leave 2005–06)
Sumitomo Professor of International Finance and Development, KSG

John Womack, Jr.
Robert Woods Bliss Professor of Latin American History and Economics, FAS

Policy Committee
The Policy Committee consists of faculty members actively engaged in research and teaching on Latin America from throughout the University, including the nine professional schools and the Faculty of Arts and Sciences. The Policy Committee meets each term to guide the Center’s development and to recommend candidates for the RFK Visiting Professorship of Latin American Studies to the President of the University.

Of the 73 members of the Policy Committee, 22 are also members of the FAS Standing Committee on Latin American and Iberian Studies (CLAIS), which coordinates the Center’s research and curricular programs that operate within the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, including Harvard College and the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. For the complete listing of 2005–06 Policy Committee and CLAIS members, please visit the Center’s website.

Advisory Committee
The annual spring meeting of the Center’s Advisory Committee took place in Cambridge on May 12–13, 2006, and featured important announcements as well as an array of insightful faculty presentations, ranging from panel discussions on Insight and Initiative Abroad: A Harvard Symposium on the Undergraduate International Experience, to presentations on The Purposes of Education in Latin America, The Future of Harvard and China and Latin America.

During the inaugural dinner of Friday, May 12, President Summers praised the work of the David Rockefeller Center, citing it as a model for the University and as a reference for him as he developed a strategy to strengthen the international component of Harvard College. He also praised the work of founding director John Coatsworth whose leadership during the 12 years of his tenure has made DRCLAS the largest and most successful Latin American Studies Center in the world.

David Rockefeller’s New Gift to DRCLAS
The highlight of the Advisory Committee Weekend occurred when President Summers announced that David Rockefeller, the Center’s founding benefactor and visionary, had decided to make a new gift of $10 million to strengthen the Center’s core endowment. The new gift will support the Center’s research, teaching and publishing...
activities, and will underwrite graduate and undergraduate student support, including the Center’s new study abroad and internship programs for College students. Noting the significance of this gift, as well as the Center’s international reputation, President Summers referred to this juncture in the Center’s history as “the end of the beginning.” He praised David Rockefeller’s inspiring commitment to Harvard, to the Center and to the region.

David Rockefeller praised President Summers efforts to globalize the University. He said that the Center’s accomplishments had “more than fulfilled” his expectations. “The Center,” he added, “has played an important role in helping Harvard transform itself from a U.S. institution with an international reputation into a truly global university.” He also commented on the importance of Latin America to the United States and expressed the hope that the center would continue to focus public attention on the region.

The John H. Coatsworth Fellowships in Latin American History
At the conclusion of his remarks, Mr. Rockefeller announced that he had decided to designate $1 million of his new gift to match a challenge grant of $500,000 from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to endow a new program of John H. Coatsworth Fellowships in Latin American History to honor Professor Coatsworth’s leadership of the Center since its founding in 1994. The new Coatsworth Fellowships will be awarded annually by the Center to third- to sixth-year doctoral students engaged in the study of Latin American history in any department or discipline, including the history of art and culture, social or economic history, historical sociology or political economy.

Merilee S. Grindle Appointed New Director
President Summers also announced the appointment of Merilee Grindle, Edward S. Mason Professor of International Development at the John F. Kennedy School of Government, as the new DRCLAS director. A distinguished professor and specialist on the comparative analysis of policy making, implementation and public management in developing countries, with a special focus on Latin America, Professor Grindle has a long trajectory in leadership positions at both Harvard and the Center. Her appointment, John Coatsworth stated, is key to the continued success of DRCLAS.

The formal dinner concluded with the feature presentation of a video, produced by PBS television producer Raquel Ortiz, that highlights the Center’s success in bringing Latin America to Harvard and in enabling faculty and student work on the region. An additional surprise was a tribute video honoring John Coatsworth and his contributions to Latin American Studies at Harvard.
New Advisory Committee Members and Gifts to the Center

During the Saturday executive session meeting, Advisory Committee members were addressed by guest speakers Dean Kirby and new director Merilee Grindle. John Coatsworth then expressed his delight at the renewal and expansion of the Center’s Advisory Committee, and welcomed its new members: Alejandro Bailleres, John Davies, Marlene Hess, Wolff Klabin, Brian O’Neill, Lauren Reiss, Alvaro Rodriguez Arregui, Neil Rudenstine and Alejandro Santo Domingo.

After reporting on the Center’s activities, Professor Coatsworth announced a major gift from Advisory Committee member Angeles Espinosa Yglesias. Her new gift of one million dollars will enable the Center to begin planning for the establishment of an office in Mexico City and provide significant support to the Mexican Studies Program at Harvard. He also thanked all members of the Advisory Committee for their support, with special thanks for new pledges and gifts from Dionisio Garza Medina, Jorge Paulo Lemann, Alvaro Rodriguez Arregui, Alejandro Santo Domingo, Wolff Klabin and Juan and Mary Schneider Enríquez. Members of the Advisory Committee then turned to a discussion of the Center’s operational planning exercise, led by members Brian O’Neill, Lauren Reiss and Lorenzo Weisman.

The Weekend activities concluded with a closing luncheon at the Harvard Faculty Club, during which guests welcomed incoming Interim University President Derek Bok who, in his luncheon address, paid tribute to David Rockefeller, thanking him for all he has done for the University and the Center. President Bok also showed great enthusiasm for the appointment of Merilee Grindle to lead the Center upon John Coatsworth’s departure. Professor Grindle then shared with guests her excitement about her new role and the collaborations to come with many present at the luncheon. Guests discussed with great enthusiasm the various themes of the morning, the faculty seminars, and weekend events.

Advisory Committee Members

Manuel Arango, Mexico
Gastón Azcárraga, Mexico
Alejandro Bailleres, Mexico
Pedro Nicolás Baridón, Uruguay
Arturo Brillembour and Hilda Ochoa-Brillembour, United States
Roberto P. Cezar de Andrade, Brazil
Gustavo A. and Patricia Phelps de Cisneros, Venezuela
Eduardo F. Costantini, Argentina
Tony Custer, Peru
Francisco de Sola, El Salvador
John Davies, United States
Peggy Dulany, United States
Agustín E. Edwards, Chile
Juan C. and Mary S. Enríquez, United States
Andrés E. Espinosa Yglesias, Mexico
Amalia Lacroze de Fortabat, Argentina
Dionisio Garza Medina, Mexico
Jaime and Raquel Gilinski, Colombia

Roberto Hernández Ramírez, Mexico
Enrique V. Iglesias, Uruguay
Israel Klabin, Brazil
George W. Landau, United States
Philip Lehner, United States
Jorge Paulo Lemann, Brazil
Andrónico Lukic, Chile
Antonio Madero, Mexico
Martha T. Muse, United States
Brian O’Neill, United States
Ricardo Poma, El Salvador
Pablo A. and Luisa E. Pulido, Venezuela
Lauren Reiss, United States
David Rockefeller, United States
Alvaro Rodríguez Arregui, Mexico
Neil L. Rudenstine, United States
Orlando Sáca, United States
Alejandro Santo Domingo, Colombia
Julio Mario Santo Domingo, Colombia
Francisco Soler, El Salvador
Lorenzo D. Weisman, United States
Corporate Partners
The Center’s Corporate Partners Program is designed to provide companies interested in Latin America with access to Harvard’s extensive resources. The Program also convenes scholars, government officials and business leaders from Latin America for two executive-level seminars at Harvard University each year. During its ninth year, the Corporate Partners Program featured seminars on *Multiplying Migrants and Their Money: Turning Flows of People and Cash into Economic Prosperity and The Elections in Latin America: Outcomes and Impact.* The seminar on remittances explored trans-nationalism, including the impact of remittances and labor migration on Latin American economies, and the obstacles and opportunities that these trends represent for business and economic development in the region. While Latin America benefits from the sizable remittances that contribute continuously to the region’s overall economy, poor financial structures and weak public policies prevent these large flows of money from being translated effectively into economic growth. Seminar panelists examined these developments and their implications. The elections seminar explored the implications of recent and forthcoming elections, assessing the shifting patterns of U.S.- Latin America relations during the past few years, and examined the possible effects of the elections on Latin American societies and on economic relations in the hemisphere.

The DRCLAS Regional Office in Santiago, Chile, also organized activities for Corporate Partners in the region. These activities included a working luncheon with Professor Aravena, who shared the success of the ELEMENTAL, an innovative social housing project; an education workshop with DRCLAS Visiting Professor and former Chilean Education Minister Ernesto Schiefelbein; and a private meeting with Edwin O. Reischauer Professor of Japanese Politics, Susan Pharr, who discussed the relationship between Japan and Latin America.

The Corporate Partners Program welcomed IBS, Inc, through Robert Hildreth MBA ’71 to its member roster this year. The Center is grateful to the members of the Corporate Partners Program for their support, which enables the Center to fund the research of Harvard faculty in every discipline and professional field.

Corporate Partners Program Roster
Alfa Corporative, Mexico
Banco de Chile, Chile
Cinemex, Mexico
Codelco, Chile
Compass Group, Chile
D&S, Chile
El Mercurio, Chile
Fidelity Management and Research Company, United States
Grupo Altex, Mexico
Grupo Los Grobo, Argentina
IBS, Inc., United States
Integrated Finance Limited, United States
International Bank of Miami, United States
JPMorgan Chase, United States
Orígenes y Destinos, Argentina
Saxxon, Bolivia
Venevisión Internacional, Venezuela
Vitro, Mexico

Foundations
DRCLAS is grateful to the following foundations for their support of Center programs and initiatives.

Christopher Reynolds Foundation
The Christopher Reynolds Foundation has awarded the David Rockefeller Center a $40,000 grant to support the organization of a meeting and preparation of a book on U.S.-Cuba relations in a New Century. The project led by Jorge I. Domínguez, Antonio Madero Professor of Mexican and Latin American Politics and Economics, and Rafael M. Hernández, editor of Temas and Robert F. Kennedy Visiting Professor fall 2006, seeks to sketch where and why the United States and Cuba differ; to identify the issues where differences are likely to endure; and to point to other issues where skillful diplomacy might find joint interests in order to settle disputes in accord with respective national goals. Seeking to emphasize the importance of understanding the “lenses” through which individuals make sense of events, the book will contain two full chapters on each topic, one by a scholar from Cuba and another by a scholar from outside Cuba who is knowledgeable about the U.S. position on the topic and U.S.-Cuban relations.

Ford Foundation
In 2005, the Ford Foundation approved a $160,000 two-year grant to advance cutting-edge research in the fields of public policy, social policy, and medical anthropology through supporting joint collaboration between Harvard and Cuban counterparts. In January 2007, Ford Foundation support will contribute to the organization of a comparative workshop on equity and social mobility in Brasilia in collaboration with the United Nations International Poverty Center and the Centro de Investigaciones Psicológicas y Sociológicas. Ford funding will also contribute to advancing an ongoing project between the Instituto de Medicina Tropical Pedro Kouri and Harvard Medical School’s Department of Social Medicine on the impact of treatment on the quality of life of people living with AIDS in Cuba (co-funded by Atlantic Philanthropies and the William F. Milton Fund) and the publication the Spanish edition of the important volume The Cuban Economy at the Start of the Twenty-first Century, co-edited by Jorge I. Domínguez, Omar Everleny Pérez Villanueva, and Lorena Barberia. The latter will be published jointly by the David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies at Harvard University and El Colegio de México in Mexico City in late 2006.
## FISCAL YEAR 2006
July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2006

### Beginning Balance
- **Gifts and Endowments**
  - $736,532
- **Foundations**
  - 1,014,119

### Income
- **Income from Endowments**
  - 1,769,917
- **Harvard University**
  - **President’s Fund**
    - 250,000
  - **Chile Program Fees**
    - 160,750
  - **Miscellaneous**
    - 53,666
- **Grants**
  - **Foundations**
    - 246,545
  - **U.S. Department of Education**
    - 374,759
- **Current Use Gifts**
  - 1,406,708
- **Corporate Partners Program**
  - 90,000
- **Publications**
  - 55,853

**Total Income**

$6,158,849

### Expenses
- **Administration**
  - $557,756
- **Administration: Harvard Fees**
  - 178,185
- **Publications**
  - 249,020
- **Events, Programs and Committees**
  - 2,120,728
- **Student Fellowships and Research Travel Grants**
  - 544,998
- **Faculty Research and Curriculum Grants**
  - 172,767
- **Visiting Fellows, Scholars, Professors**
  - 497,240

**Total Expenses**

$4,320,696

### Balance*

$1,838,153

### Restricted Income Carried Forward

1,694,233

### Unrestricted Balance

$143,920

*Balance does not include long term operating advances of $95,000 and $19,000 for the regional offices in Brazil and Chile, respectively. These advances will be settled in FY07.
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Jason Dyett
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