

NEW LACSI Student Awards



Director's Award

For superior academic achievement by a LACSI undergraduate major

LACSI faculty members are invited to nominate a student who has demonstrated superior academic skills in a course with curriculum relevant to Latin America and/or the Caribbean. Nominees will be invited to submit a 1 page personal statement about their engagement with the LACSI program and curriculum. The sponsoring faculty member will provide a letter of recommendation. The award winner will be selected based on a review of these materials and their UGA transcript, with particular attention paid to courses within the LACSI major.

Future Scholar Award

For UGA undergraduates writing about Latin American and/or Caribbean studies

Students are invited to submit a research paper or essay concerning Latin American and/or Caribbean studies for consideration. All UGA undergraduate students (LACSI majors and others) are encouraged to apply. Submitted papers must be at least 10 pages in length and should be accompanied by a short letter from a faculty member who can put the paper's merits in context. Awards will be granted to the paper that is relevant to Latin America and Caribbean Studies, well written, and that demonstrates potential for future scholarship.

Research Development Award

For Graduate Students researching Latin America and/or the Caribbean

This award competition is open to all UGA graduate students, but the research must contribute to the advancement of Latin American and Caribbean Studies. Graduate students are invited to submit an original research paper (approximately 15-30 pages), as well as a letter of support from their major professor, graduate advisor or other relevant faculty member.

Award Specifications:

The deadline for submitting award applications is March 20, 2012. Applications should be submitted to: LACSI Awards Committee, Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute, UGA, 290 S. Hull St., Athens, GA 30602. Papers can be submitted in Spanish, Portuguese, French or English. A student may only receive one award per year, and may not receive the same award twice. Each award comes with a certificate and a cash award of \$100. Award announcements will be made at the LACSI graduation ceremony in early May.