

Event Title

XVII Annual Hispanic and Luso-Brazilian Literatures and Languages Student Conference

Keynote Speakers

Professor Eva Juarros-Daussa, Linguistics (University at Buffalo)

Professor Gabriel Giorgi, Literature (New York University)

Dates and Location

The conference will be held Friday March 23, 2012 and Saturday March 24, 2012 at the Graduate Center 365 5th Ave New York, NY. Rooms C201 and C202. Reception and refreshments will be in DSC rooms, 5th floor.

Organization

The students of the Hispanic and Luso-Brazilian Literatures and Languages program
Members of the organization committee include Carolina Chaves, Walfrido Dorta, Paola Evangelista, Maria Leon, and Rebecca Salois.

Event Information

The XVII Annual HLBLE Student Conference invites students of a variety of backgrounds world-wide to submit papers relating to Hispanic and Luso-Brazilian Literatures and Languages. Submissions are invited from all periods and areas of Iberian, Spanish-American, Hispanic/Latino, Luso-Brazilian Literatures, Film, Visual and Performing Arts, as well as any area of Hispanic Linguistics (theoretical, applied, or sociolinguistics). Papers may be presented in English, Spanish or Portuguese. We hold the conference over the course of two days in order to give students the opportunity to attend a wider variety of panels and in order to accommodate two keynote speakers. Based on last year's attendance we estimate that approximately 50-60 people will attend each of the two days. Rather than divide the audience between concurrent panels on one day, we have found success with the two day format.

In addition to student presentations, our conference will include keynote speeches from Professor Eva Juarros-Daussa from the University at Buffalo and Professor Gabriel Giorgi from New York University. Professor Juarros-Daussa will be speaking on linguistics. Her presentation is titled "Language Attitudes and Choices by Catalan and Galician Families in New York City." Dr. Juarros-Daussa's background is unique in the sense that it combines Philology, Linguistics and Cognitive Science. Therefore, Dr. Juarros-Daussa's speech will certainly appeal to a wide audience. Professor Giorgi is an expert in the fields of Literature from the Southern Cone, bio-politics, queer theory and gender studies and as such will attract students from different fields of study. His presentation is entitled "La voz animal. Políticas de lo viviente e imaginación estética." Prof. Juarras-Daussa's presentation will be in English while Professor Giorgi will present in Spanish. We believe that the varied backgrounds of these professors will encourage a wide variety of individuals to attend the conference. As an incentive to the speakers we have offered honorariums of \$500. We understand the importance of quality keynote speakers and feel that this offer helps attract a higher caliber of presentations to offer to those in attendance. Before we had decided on this amount we were turned down by a couple of potential speakers and have used this amount as an aggressive recruiting strategy for high quality speakers.

We have sent our call for papers to many universities world-wide (North America, Central America, South America, and Europe) as well as distributed the call for papers to multiple departments within the Graduate Center community (Sociology, Comparative Literature, Theater, Art History, Political Science, Film, Linguistics, Anthropology). We have received abstracts from Brazil, Portugal, Spain, and England, not to mention North American institutions.

The purpose of this conference is to highlight the exceptional work being done by graduate students in the areas of Hispanic and Luso-Brazilian literatures and linguistics as well as visual arts, performing arts and film related to these areas. This conference is also meant to serve as a networking opportunity for students within these particular fields of study. Many conferences in Hispanic and Luso-Brazilian studies focus on either literature or linguistics and this conference gives students the opportunity to attend diverse student panels as well as the chance to attend keynote speeches on both fields of study. In addition the conference serves as an opportunity for students to prepare for future academic life in that they are able to develop professionally in an academic setting prior to entering the job market. Moreover, it has fostered academic contributions to our student-run journal.

This conference has grown considerably over the last few years and as such requires a certain level of funding. We are proud to provide the opportunity for students to come together to listen to and review work by other students as well as to have their own work reviewed and discussed. In particular, the dinner provided on Friday evening serves as an incredible networking opportunity for all of the students involved in the conference whether as participants or spectators. A few examples of the success of this networking opportunity include students from outside of the GC community meeting professors from the GC community with whom they later took classes as well as students from within the program meeting professors who can serve as potential dissertation committee members in the future. It has served to encourage students to attend the HLBLL program here at the Graduate Center over other university programs. The keynote speakers and Graduate Center professors have historically attended this dinner and as such have been able to continue conversations related to earlier presentations as well as to better know students who they will potentially work with in the future.

Other Sponsors

Professor Jose del Valle (confirmed)	\$400
Colonial Review (confirmed)	\$250
Hispanic Society (unconfirmed)	\$185
Professor Elena Martinez (confirmed)	\$100
Instituto de Cervantes (unconfirmed)	\$150
Spanish Consulate (unconfirmed)	\$150
Program allocation for HLBLL	\$500

See attached budget for detailed expenditures.

Total estimated cost of conference: \$2485

Total covered (if DSC funds are approved) \$2485

We are requesting \$50 in addition to the maximum amount (\$700) from the DSC to cover the costs of the hotel and travel for Professor Juarros-Daussa as well as \$350 towards her honorarium. We will cover the remainder of her honorarium with Program Allocation Funds. We consider these essential costs for the conference. Accommodations and a respectable honorarium are important in recruiting quality keynote speakers.

Advertising

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Hlbl-Annual-Graduate-Student-Conference/359681187380319>

Flyer: Sample attached

Call for papers: Attached. Sent to the Sociology, Political Science, Theatre, Art History, Film, Comparative Literature, Linguistics and Anthropology Departments as well as to multiple outside universities in North America, Central America, South America and Europe.

It is also posted online at: <http://web.gc.cuny.edu/hispanic/students%20conference.html>

There is also the possibility that the presentations will be published as part of the HLBLE online journal after the conference. A sample of past publications can be found at:

<http://ojs.gc.cuny.edu/index.php/lljournal/issue/view/13/showToc>

Attachment 1: Budget (submitted separately as Excel table)

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Expenses	Estimated Cost	Source of Funds
Keynotes		
Honorarium - Eva Juarros-Davissa (Univ. at Buffalo)	\$500	Program Allocation - HLBLL
Honorarium - Gabriel Giorgi (NYU)	\$500	Prof. Del Valle, Prof. Martinez
Keynote Travel (Juarros-Daussa)	\$200	DSC Grant
Keynote Hotel (Juarros-Daussa)	\$200	DSC Grant
Keynote Transportation (taxi, metro)	\$50	Instituto Cervantes
Subtotal	\$1,450	
Food and Beverages		
Friday Breakfast (coffee, juice, pastries)	\$75	Spanish Consulate
Friday Lunch (sandwiches, wraps, cookies, water and sodas)	\$100	Colonial Review
Friday Dinner (food, water and sodas) - networking event	\$250	DSC Grant
Friday Wine for Dinner	\$100	Colonial Review
Saturday Breakfast (coffee, juice, pastries)	\$75	Spanish Consulate
Saturday Lunch (sandwiches, wraps, cookies, water and sodas)	\$100	Instituto Cervantes
Saturday Reception (cheese, crackers, fruits, water and sodas)	\$100	DSC Grant
Utensils and supplies (plates, napkins, cups, silverware)	\$50	Colonial Review
Subtotal	\$850	
Conference Supplies		
Folders for speakers and moderators	\$30	Hispanic Society
Pens	\$10	Hispanic Society
Writing pads	\$10	Hispanic Society
ID Cards	\$20	Hispanic Society
Labels (for ID's and folders)	\$15	Hispanic Society
Posters (color)	\$100	Hispanic Society
Subtotal	\$185	
Total	\$2,485	

Attachment 2: Mock flyer (submitted separately as JPEG or PDF)

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