

MACLAS

Middle Atlantic Council of Latin American Studies

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Message from the President

Hello MACLAS Members! The 2022 MACLAS conference with the theme "Privilege, Power & Pedagogy" is less than two months away, and we are so excited for this gathering at The College of New Jersey. You still have time to submit the deadline has been extended to Friday, January 28. Executive Committee member and 2022 Conference Program Chair, Dr. Marny Requa and her team will be putting panels together and preparing an exciting program, which will be up on the MACLAS website in mid-late February. A description of the Keynote sessions can be found on page 3 of this newsletter. A reminder: this year we are not providing printed programs, but they will be available @ the Ex-Ordo website so that you can download it or print a copy of your own. You can also register for the conference and pay membership dues via Ex-Ordo, and early bird rates for registration are available until March 2nd. Please check out the information on MACLAS group hotel rates and things to do in and around Ewing, NJ at <http://www.maclas.org/maclas-2022-salisbury-university>. In addition, take a look at the newest issue of MARLAS (volume 5, issue 2, 2021). <https://www.marlasjournal.com/articles/>.

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HOTEL INFO

MACLAS has arranged for a block of rooms for conference attendees at the SpringHill Suites located in Ewing, NJ. Use this link: [Book Your Group Rate | Marriott International](#) For reservations over the phone, please call SpringHills Suites Marriot in Ewing's Front Desk directly at 609-530-0999 and mention your Phone Code: LASS. Please reserve by **February 24, 2022** for the group rate of \$119 per night.

MACLAS 2022 Privilege, power, and pedagogy

The conference theme supports the MACLAS statement on race/ethnicity and pedagogy. We strongly believe that studying and discussing these issues contributes to build a learning community engaging in critical as well as creative challenges to the ways in which an imperial/colonial framework has historically shaped relations in the Americas. As always, while MACLAS encourages papers that engage with the conference themes, other submissions are welcome. MACLAS seeks scholarship from a wide array of disciplines, perspectives, and topic areas in Latin American studies. Undergraduate and graduate students are warmly welcome to participate.

Proposals are due by Friday, January 28, 2022. Go to: maclas2022.exordo.com

TCNJ COVID-19 Protocol

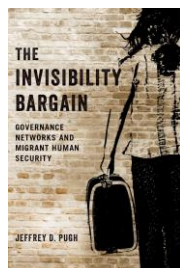
The best protection against the virus remains the basics: physical distancing, face coverings and regular hand washing. We will continue to require face coverings in all indoor public spaces—the only exceptions are when alone in private space or while actively eating or drinking—and outdoors when physical distancing is not possible. We strongly encourage the use of N95 or KN95 masks, which offer more protection than do cloth masks. For more information check: [Spring 2022 Plans | Covid-19 \(tcnj.edu\)](https://tcnj.edu/spring2022plans/covid-19)



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MACLAS 2022 Keynote Address: Jeffrey Pugh “Migration and Invisibility in the Americas: The Importance of Non-State Actors Brokering Protection for People on the Move”

Migrants fleeing economic hardship or violence are entitled to a range of protections and rights under domestic and international law, yet they are often denied such protections in practice. In an era of mass migration and restrictive responses for Central Americans fleeing to Mexico and the United States, Colombians seeking refuge in Ecuador, and Venezuelans displaced to Colombia, Peru, and elsewhere, migrant acceptance is often contingent on the expectation that they contribute economically to the host country while remaining politically and socially invisible. These unwritten expectations, which Jeffrey D. Pugh calls the “invisibility bargain”, produce a precarious status in which migrants’ visible differences or overt political demands on the state may be met with hostile backlash from the host society. In this context, governance networks of state and non-state actors form an institutional web that can provide indirect access to rights, resources, and protection, but simultaneously help migrants avoid negative backlash against visible political activism. Based on the findings of his book, *The Invisibility Bargain*, Pugh will discuss the implications of migration for the Latin American region at a time when governments have closed borders and increased restrictions.





Upcoming President

Gonzalo Aguiar Malosetti has a Ph.D. from Washington University in St. Louis, MO. His book, *La modernidad refractada: pensamiento, creación y resistencia en la historia intelectual de Argentina, Brasil y Uruguay, 1900-1935*, is a comparative study that delves into the cultural and ideological work made by a group of intellectuals from Argentina, Brazil, and Uruguay at the turn of the 20th century. His current research project, "Tropes of Violent Inequality: Race, Policing, and Necropolitical Government in the Southern Cone," throws light at contemporary cultural production – particularly Brazilian literature and film – featuring violence as a mechanism of socialization into a society fragmented by spatial, social, gender, and racial exclusions. He has taught courses in Spanish, Portuguese, and English at Tulane University, State University of New York at Oswego, and Florida Atlantic University. He has collaborated in (MACLAS) since 2019 in multiple functions.

Don't Forget to Vote

EC positions are uncontested but require a vote of confidence.

Vote online here: <https://forms.gle/RTSwYAdzgJ7BF5ah7>

Voting closes on March 17, 2022



Call for Submissions

MARLAS just celebrated its fifth anniversary as an open-access, peer-reviewed online journal, and the editors wish to thank all of the MACLASistas who have contributed to its success over the years by submitting their work and serving as external reviewers and editorial board members. We are grateful to MACLAS for providing financial and institutional support.

MARLAS is accepting submissions on a rolling basis. We ask prospective authors to carefully examine the guidelines for submissions. Submissions should be made electronically through the journal website: <https://www.marlasjournal.com/about/submissions/>

Also, we invite all MACLAS members to contribute to our journal by serving as external reviewers.

Note: The December 2021 issue brings an extensive editorial note commenting on the journal's 5th anniversary. If you wish, you can retrieve info from there at: [Middle Atlantic Review of Latin American Studies \(marlasjournal.com\)](https://www.marlasjournal.com/).

MACLAS PRIZE COMMITTEES

Froelich (\$500 award for faculty to carry research projects): Mirna Trauger **Committee Chair** (mirnatrauger@muhlenberg.edu), Ivani Vassoler (SUNY Fredonia), Nilsa Lasso Von Lang (Moravian University).

Whitaker (Best book published): Ana Moraña **Committee Chair** (anmora@ship.edu), Patricia Rodríguez (Ithaca College), and Tia Malkin-Fontecchio (West Chester University).

Davis (Best book chapter or article): David Sheinin **Committee Chair** (dsheinin@trentu.ca), Carlos Rodriguez McGill (University of Michigan-Dearborn), and Raul Fregoso Bailon (West Chester University) **due date February 6, 2022.**

Judy McInnis Award: Gloria B. Clark **Committee Chair** (gbc3@psu.edu), Brian Turner, and Kathy Cunniffe-Peña (Muskingum U).

Street Prize: Alistair Hattingh **Committee Chair** (hattingh@muskingum.edu), Jennifer Jolly (Ithaca College), Daniela Johannes (West Chester University)

Turner: (Graduate student travel award): Amanda M. Frantz-Mamani **Committee Chair** (frantzmamani@edinboro.edu), David Mongor-Lizarrabengoa (Wor-Wic Community College), Mike Schroeder (Lebanon Valley College)

Espadas (best undergraduate paper submitted in the 2021 conference): Jason Bartles **Committee Chair** (bartles@wcupa.edu) and Matías Herosilla (Stony Brook University)

John D. Martz III Prize (best paper by a graduate student) James Siekmeier **Committee Chair** (james.siekmeier@mail.wvu.edu), and Gonzalo Aguiar Malosetti (Florida Atlantic University)

For a details of MACLAS prizes, please see: <http://www.maclas.org/prizes>. To donate to these prizes and/or become a member, see our website or <http://www.maclas.org/become-a-member>.

Juan Espadas Prize winner

2021

Gabriella Farrell the winner of the Juan Espadas Prize for their presentation, titled "Invisibility and Resistance: Bolivian Migrant Women in Argentina and Gendered Labor Trajectories." This presentation was based on their outstanding undergraduate thesis at Dickinson University.

John D. Martz Prize winner

2021

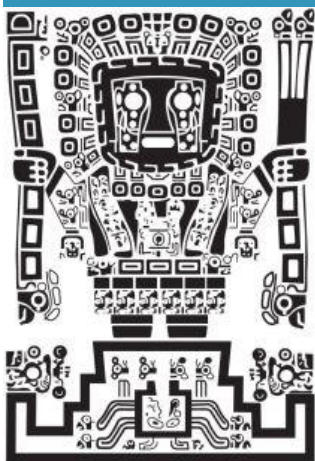
Amanda Summers the winner of the John D. Martz Prize for their presentation, titled "God Keeps Her in Heaven and Forgives Her But She Had a Good Soul": Gendered and Economic Power in the *Converso* Community of Mexico City, 1642-1649. This presentation is based on her research as graduate student in History department at Temple University.

Wladyslaw Maryan Froelich Field Research Grant Report-Patricia Rodríguez (2021)

With The funds allowed visit communities in the Cauca, Colombia region in December 2021. The purpose of the trip was to advance a book manuscript about social, agrarian, environmental movements, and alternative energy generated by civil society before and after the FARC-EP (Revolutionary Armed Forces- People's Army)-Colombian Government peace process finalized in 2016. I joined the Solidarity Collective's Food Sovereignty Delegation from December 11-20th, and visited the Zona de Reserva Campesina (Campesinx Reserve Zone) and Afro-Colombian communities in Northern Cauca to understand to how the pandemic has complicated the advancement of territorial peace and alternatives. Sadly, the situation on the ground, is desperate especially with the heighten presence of armed state, paramilitary and guerilla actors in these regions. Violent attacks by the police targeting indigenous, black and campesinx communities increased since the Paro Nacional (National Strike) that started in April 2021. The attacks exacerbated issues of displacement, killings, disappearances, and loss of land to corporate actors. These processes generate increasing civil society confrontations with elite political actors over the divergent meanings of the different points of the accord, especially those pertaining to agrarian developmental alternatives and illicit crop substitution.

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The [Middle Atlantic Council of Latin American Studies](#) is comprised of scholars, researchers, teachers, students, and interested professionals in all disciplines and pursuits from the region comprised of Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia. MACLAS has as its objectives promoting and developing interest in Latin American Studies and affairs. The organization was founded in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1979.

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