Consortium of Latin American Studies Programs (CLASP)

2021 CLASP Teaching Award for K-12 Educators

Call for Applications

The Consortium of Latin American Studies Programs (CLASP) is now accepting applications for its biennial "CLASP Teaching Award for K–12 Educators." The award recognizes excellence and innovation in the teaching of Latin America and/or the Caribbean by elementary, middle, and high school teachers. CLASP proudly honors teachers who have demonstrated continued dedication to developing an engaging and dynamic portrait of Latin America that goes beyond the textbook. Teachers of any subject at the K-12 level are eligible to apply.

Applications will be reviewed and evaluated for teaching skills, development of innovative teaching materials and strategies, leadership, and professional development accomplishments.

Application Materials

- (1) Online application form, which includes the following supporting materials:
 - (a) Resume or C.V.
 - (b) Evidence of how applicant has integrated Latin American and/or Caribbean content into their classes, including their approach to the teaching of Latin America and how it has helped students attain the goals of the class (1–2 pages)
 - (c) Other documentation (e.g., excerpts from lesson plans, student work, professional development presentation) (optional, but strongly encouraged).
- (2) A 1–2-page letter of recommendation from a colleague (peer or supervisor) providing evidence of the following:
 - (a) Outstanding teaching effectiveness, including methods and student successes stories
 - (b) Innovation/creativity in the presentation of Latin American/Caribbean content
 - (c) Involvement in professional development and/or community engagement related to Latin America and/or the Caribbean (i.e., the applicant seeks opportunities to learn about/engage with the region).

Application materials must be submitted by **April 26, 2021.**

Apply <u>here</u>.

Submit letter of recommendation <u>here.</u>

The award recipient will be announced in late May 2021 and will be awarded a \$500 cash prize.

Questions about this award should be directed to Molly Aufdermauer, CLASP Outreach Committee Chair, at mollyauf@stanford.edu.

Applicants' names, email addresses, and school affiliations will be added to the CLASP email listserv, which is used to announce professional development opportunities and teaching resources offered by CLASP and/or its member institutions. Selected applicants' curriculum materials may be incorporated (with permission) into a CLASP database of K-12 resources.