Call for applications to edit the
Latin American Research Review

Applications are invited for the position of editor of the *Latin American Research Review (LARR)*, the journal of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA).

LARR publishes original research on Latin America, the Caribbean, and Latina/Latino studies four times a year in an online-only open-access format. A world-leading journal in Latin American Studies, it has a larger disciplinary coverage than its competitors. Articles span the social sciences and the humanities, including the fields of anthropology, economics, history, literature and cultural studies, political science, and sociology. The journal reviews and publishes papers in English, Spanish, and Portuguese. All papers are subject to double-blind peer review. *LARR*, the academic journal of the Latin American Studies Association, has been in continuous publication since 1965.

The editor of *LARR* plays a central role in the development of Latin American Studies. Scholars in this position develop a unique understanding of the field and of the editorial process in a multidisciplinary environment. In addition, the editor serves as an ex-officio member (without a vote) in the Association's Executive Council.

Manuscript selection duties will begin on **January 1, 2021**, and the first issue to appear under the name of the newly appointed editor will be volume 56, no. 1 (2021). Contracts to edit *LARR* normally are five years in duration, although the LASA Ways and Means Committee has the right to award a contract for a different time period. Candidates must hold a tenured position in an academic institution.

In accordance with LASA's mission to publish high-quality scholarship, the following basic criteria will be considered in selecting the *LARR* editor:

1. An established record of scholarship;

2. Experience with and understanding of the wide variety of activities associated with journal editorship, including submissions, reviewing, and relations with editorial boards;

3. Strong familiarity with the present state of *LARR*, its strengths and challenges, and a vision for its future;

4. Openness to the different methods, themes, theories, and approaches to the field; and

5. A record of responsible service to scholarly publishing and evidence of organizational skill and intellectual leadership.

LASA allocates resources to the *LARR* editor including travel to the Editorial Board meetings and LASA conferences; however, it does not pay for office space or release time. It is important that the Association be provided with information that supports the feasibility of the editor's application. In the past, university contributions to the *LARR* editorship have included half-time release from teaching for the editor and/or additional release time for the associate editors.

It is expected that completed proposals will identify the proposed new editor in chief and associate editors and their qualifications, specify the nature and extent of the support provided by the host institution, and contain a letter from a dean or the president of that institution formally committing the resources of the institution as specified in the proposal.

The LASA Secretariat is responsible for all administrative, operational, and financial support functions associated with the publication of *LARR*, including social network dissemination, production, and maintenance of the online platform.

Completed proposals must be received by **May 1, 2020**, and should be directed to Milagros Pereyra-Rojas, Executive Director (milagros@pitt.edu). Applications will be reviewed by the LASA Ways and Means Committee, which will present its final selection to the Executive Council for its approval. The LASA Executive Director will work out the contractual agreement with the nominee. The final decision is expected by **May 30, 2020.**

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