

LASA-Ford Grant Call

for Indigenous, Afro-descendant and LGBTQIA+ students living in Colombia outside of Bogotá to participate in LASA2024

From **June 12 to 15, 202**4, one of the most important academic events on the Latin American region, the annual congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA), will take place in Bogotá, Colombia. The theme of the LASA2024 Congress is "Reacción y resistencia: Imaginar futuros posibles en las Américas".

In an effort to encourage the participation in the Congress of Indigenous, Afro-descendant and/or LGBTQIA+ students residing in Colombia outside of Bogotá, LASA, in collaboration with the Ford Foundation, will award a total of thirty grants. Each grant will amount up to \$500 USD and will cover the cost of Congress registration, shared accommodation for four nights during the Congress, as well as local transportation and food expenses.

To be eligible for this grant, the student must not have any prior affiliation with LASA or have attended any of its congresses. Applicants must be actively enrolled in a higher education institution in Colombia and be engaged in the fields of social sciences and humanities at either undergraduate or postgraduate level.

Applicants must prove evidence of their academic status and self-identification as Indigenous, Afro-descendant and/or LGBTQIA+. Applications will be accepted from Afro-descendant, indigenous and/or LGBTQIA+ students from Colombia residing outside of Bogotá, as well as from individuals from other Latin American countries currently living in Colombia. Additionally, a two (2) page curriculum vitae with your most relevant publications or academic participation and a letter of motivation explaining why you wish to attend the LASA Congress (between 500-1000 words) are also required. These documents will enable the academic committee appointed by LASA to evaluate the proposals.

Proposals should be sent as a single PDF file to the following email address: lasa@lasaweb.org. Subject: LASA-Ford Student Grant.

- Call Publication Date: 30 April 2024
- Call Closing Date: 25 May 2024
- Publication of results: May 31, 2024

Responsible: Dr. Jo-Marie Burt, President of LASA 2023-2024

^{*} Students –Colombian or of any nationality¬– residing in any city in Colombia who have not previously been affiliated with LASA or attended LASA Congresses may attend the LASA2024 Congress in Bogotá for a one-time registration fee of US\$25. The registration system will open on the LASA website on May 12, 2024.