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**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Jan 2-4 2020**

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## LETTER FROM THE CLAG CHAIR

Brad Jokisch

Dear CLAG colleagues!

Greetings! I hope everyone is doing well. Since the last newsletter the CLAG board has been busy with a variety of initiatives. The most important is the on-going planning for the 36th Conference of CLAG in Antigua January 2-4, 2020. Please watch for emails from Matt Taylor and Mike Steinberg as they keep us updated on the conference and send out a call for papers and sessions. The planning is going remarkably well; what the meeting needs most is our participation and good papers!

This past spring, CLAG's Honors Committee, consisting of six board members and headed by Maria Fadiman, reviewed 25 Ph.D. field study proposals and 6 MA proposals. It was likely the largest, strongest and most diverse set of applications CLAG has received. The board allotted \$15,000 to fund 8 Ph.D. students and 3 MA students. Reading the proposals was very encouraging; CLAG members are conducting sophisticated research using a variety of methods. I can't wait to hear the (preliminary) results in Antigua!

You will be glad to know that CLAG is now legally incorporated as a non-profit organization in Indiana! Our incorporation lapsed a number of years ago, and the board used a non-profit legal organization to get reincorporated in Indiana under our new name. Might sound mundane, but the incorporation is necessary for the financial and legal well-being of CLAG.

At the CLAG board meeting in DC (AAG meeting) the board voted to proceed with a plan for our Communications Director, Tim Norris, to revamp our web page and to transfer the membership list functions from the University of Texas Press to CLAG. What that means is that starting later this year members will renew their membership to CLAG (for 2020) on the CLAG webpage and have the ability to correct email addresses, contact information, and pay via a secure system (such as Stripe). With a CLAG membership, members will

receive access to JLAG. Revamping the web page and taking on the membership services will make membership registration easier and it will allow our web page to have numerous functions useful to CLAG members. Tim is joined by the board's membership committee, who will provide him feedback on web page design, content, and function. We'll see a lot of these improvements this fall.



CLAG owes a thank you to three board members whose three-year terms have expired: Rob Kent, Christian Brannstrom and Martha Bell. All three worked hard for our organization and Latin American scholarship, and they have been great to work with. Among other contributions Christian led our Honors committee twice and Martha has served on the publications and finance committees; she will remain an Associate Editor with JLAG. Rob Kent deserves a special acknowledgement because he is concluding seven years of service as CLAG's treasurer. Rob has kept the books impeccably and provided important feedback to the board on numerous financial matters. CLAG has been well-served by his professional approach and leadership.

As I conclude this note I want you to know that it's an honor and pleasure to chair CLAG. I look forward to seeing everyone in Antigua. Until then, please pay attention to emails from the conference organizers (updates, sessions, fieldtrips) and from CLAG committee chairs who will be soliciting CLAG honor nominations and requesting proposals for student travel grants. Gracias.

Brad Jokisch  
Associate Professor of Geography  
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## LETTER FROM THE LASG CHAIR

Ben Gerlofs

Dear LASG members and friends,

Greetings from a soggy Brooklyn. It's my pleasure to report that the LASG has had a great year, including a super AAG meeting in DC. We're looking forward to a great showing in Denver for AAG 2020 as well.

The LASG sponsored 17 sessions at this year's meeting, down just a touch from last year's meeting in Boston. Session sponsorship is one of our more important functions, providing us opportunities to connect and to learn about the great work being done by our members and colleagues, so be on the lookout for our call for sponsorship in the coming months. One of the sessions we sponsored this year was the annual JLAG lecture, with journalist Simon Romero as this year's featured speaker. This exciting lecture and the great conversation that followed were followed by our annual joint business meeting with CLAG, and, per tradition, by our joint party. It was great to spend some time chatting with all of you at Madam's Organ.

Perhaps our most important function is supporting student research and writing. We received a higher number of submissions than in previous years, and we're hopeful that this trend continues. Thanks to the members of our two ad hoc committees, (Johnny Finn, Miriam Gay-Antaki, Chris Hartman, Beth Bee, Joel Correia, Matthew Hayes, and myself) which awarded 4 prizes this year. Our Best Paper Award went to Aaron Malone (University of Colorado, Boulder), for their paper, "Diaspora

policy's impact on migrant organizations: Fifteen years of the *Tres por Uno* Program in Zacatecas, Mexico." We awarded three Field Study Awards this year, two at the PhD level and one at the MA/MS level. Our MA/MS award went to Saober Mirza (University of Montana) for their project, "Transboundary Conservation: Influencing Factors for Successful Community Involvement" (fieldwork in Chile and Argentina). One of our PhD prize was awarded to Tami Okomoto (University of Cambridge) for their project, "Decolonizing Territory: Autonomous Territorial Planning among the Wampis Indigenous Government in the Peruvian Amazon", and the other to Caroline Tracey (University of California, Berkeley) for their project, "The Soul Will Fly Home of its Own Accord": Postmortem Infrastructure and the New Geography of Migrant Death" (fieldwork in the US and Mexico). It was a truly outstanding group of submissions this year (another trend we hope continues), and we congratulate all of our winners.

Thanks and good wishes to all for taking part in and supporting the LASG. Have a great summer.

Sincerely,

Ben A. Gerlofs

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## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR - JLAG

Johnny Finn

Estimados Colegas,

On behalf of the JLAG editorial team, it's my pleasure to present the most recent issue of the *Journal of Latin American Geography*, available now online and in print. The collection of articles, essays, and book reviews in this issue of JLAG clearly illustrate the journal's core strength of publishing a diversity of topics and theoretical perspectives. Many thanks to the twenty-four authors and book reviewers whose work comprises this issue, and to the dozens of reviewers who donated their time and expertise to the cause. We look forward to

continuing to receive your submissions, and to seeing everyone at the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary CLAG meeting in Antigua, Guatemala in January 2020.

Sincerely,  
Johnny Finn  
Editor, Journal of Latin American Geography



## MISTRIAL IN GEOGRAPHER AND ACTIVIST SCOTT WARREN'S FEDERAL TRIAL

Johnny Finn

On July 17, 2018, geographer and humanitarian activist Scott Warren was arrested by U.S. Border Patrol agents less than forty miles from the Mexico-U.S. border for providing food, water, and shelter to two migrants. At the time, Warren was working with the humanitarian aid organization No More Deaths (No Más Muertos), leaving water in the Arizona desert and providing basic medical attention to migrants in a small shelter in Ajo, Arizona. After his arrest, Warren was charged with multiple misdemeanors for littering and trespassing, and multiple felonies for harboring and conspiring to harbor "illegal aliens." If convicted, these charges could result in a twenty-year prison term. As of this writing, the misdemeanor trial has concluded and awaits a verdict from

the judge. The felony trial unfolded in federal court in Tucson, AZ in late May and early June 2019, and resulted in a hung jury split 8-4 against conviction. It is not yet known if prosecutors will attempt to retry the case.

Warren's humanitarian work in southwestern Arizona is intrinsically connected to his borderlands scholarship. Warren completed a Ph.D. in geography from Arizona State University in 2015 under the guidance of Dan Arreola. His dissertation analyzed the shifting socio-spatial landscapes of southwestern Arizona, drawing a clear through line from copper mining, to the conservationist myth of the region's desert terrain as empty space free

Scott Warren, 2019.



for the taking, to the recent militarization of the border that has pushed migrants into more and more treacherous terrain and has resulted in the deaths of at least 3,000 migrants in the Arizona desert since 2000.

As Warren noted in his statement following the trial, migrant deaths continue in the border region, and the U.S. government's response continues to be the criminalization of migrant bodies, of refugees and asylum seekers, and of humanitarian aid workers:

“Since my arrest in January or 2018, at least 88 bodies were recovered from the Ajo corridor of the Arizona desert. We know that's a minimum number and that many more are out there and have not been found. The government's plan in the midst of this humanitarian crisis: policies to target undocumented people, refugees, and their families; prosecutions to criminalize humanitarian aid, kindness, and solidarity; and now, where I live, the revelation that they will build an enormous, expensive wall across a vast stretch of southwestern Arizona's unbroken Sonoran Desert. Today it remains as necessary as ever for local residents and humanitarian aid volunteers to stand in solidarity with migrants and refugees, and we must also stand for our families, friends, and neighbors, and the very land itself, most threatened by the militarization of our borderland communities”

(full statement available here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z3uh6c79x1Q>).

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## Latin American Studies Book Series

### Call for book proposals and manuscripts

Please remember that CLAG collaborates with Springer-Nature to publish “[Springer Briefs in Latin American Studies](#).” It is a great place for manuscripts too short for a lengthy book but too long for a journal article to submit to JLAG. Several CLAG members have published graduate theses and other short manuscripts in it, as you can see at the following link:

<http://www.springer.com/series/14332>.

Another option, for longer manuscripts, is the “[The Latin American Studies Book Series](#).” (<http://www.springer.com/series/15104>).

To submit a proposal or manuscript, please contact [mksteinberg@ua.edu](mailto:mksteinberg@ua.edu) – Michael Steinberg – CLAG Executive Director



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The town square of Teposcolula, June 13, 1974.  
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Rich water landscape in the Ecuadorian Andes.  
Photo Audrey Joslin.

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The Inca ceremonial fortress of Saqsayhuan, nestled in the Andes above the city of Cuzco in Peru - May 2, 1976. Photo Credit: W. George Lovell.

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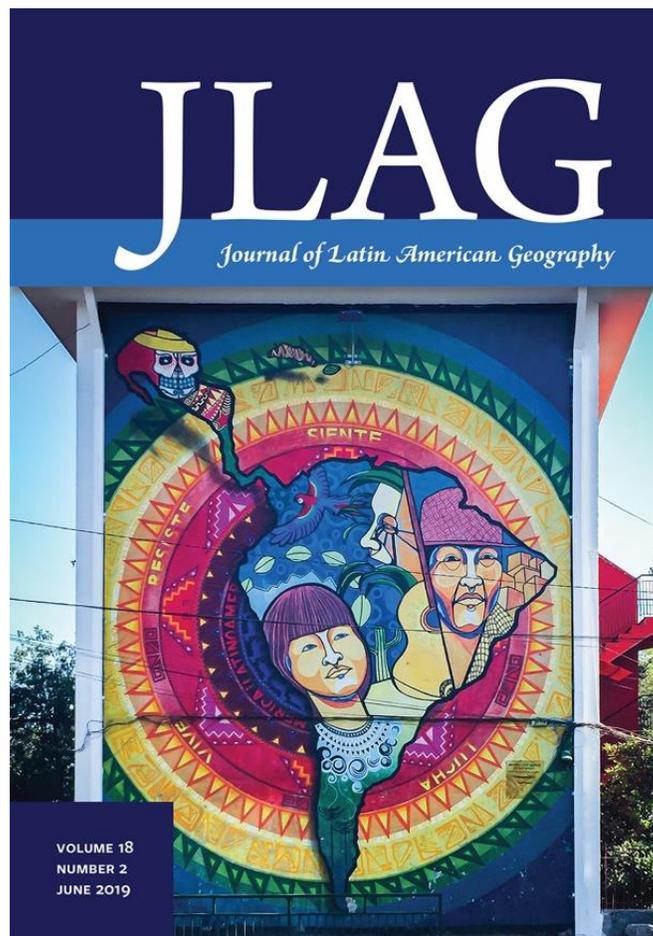
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Please contact the Book Review Editor, Eric Carter ([ecarter@macalester.edu](mailto:ecarter@macalester.edu)), with a summary of your scholarly interests, if you'd like to volunteer to write a book review, or if there are specific titles we should know about.

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## CLAG/LASG MEMBER NEWS

### AWARDS AND HONORS:

**Kristen Conway-Gómez** was awarded a Fulbright Visiting Scholars Grant and is headed to Chile from August to December to work on her project "Social and Resource Geography of Farming in the Chilean Araucanía" in conjunction with La Universidad de la Frontera in Temuco, Chile.

**Christian Abizaid, Oliver Coomes, Yoshito Takasaki and Pablo Arroyo-Mora** were awarded Paper of the Year in the *The Geographical Review* (2018) for: Abizaid, Christian, Coomes, Oliver T., Takasaki, Yoshito & Arroyo-Mora, J. Pablo. (2018). Rural social networks along Amazonian rivers: seeds, labor and soccer among rural communities on the Napo River, Peru. *The Geographical Review* 108(1), 92-119. See the press release from AGS for citation and photo: <https://mailchi.mp/americangeo/take-a-look-at-what-ags-has-been-up-to-this-february-1138705?e=e5508060c9>

**Araby Smyth**, PhD candidate in the Department of Geography at the University of Kentucky, was awarded a Scholar Award from the International Chapter of the P.E.O. (Philanthropic Educational Organization - <https://www.peointernational.org>). The P.E.O. is an international sisterhood whose primary mission is to promote educational opportunities for women. The Scholar Award is given to women in doctoral-level

programs. This award will support her ongoing fieldwork and writing on women's obligations and rights, migration and remittances in Oaxaca, Mexico.

**Anthony Bebbington** has been awarded the Global Chair, University of Bath. This is a fellowship for a residency at Bath during summer 2019. He will collaborate with Dr. Roy Maconachie who works on small scale mining in West Africa, the idea being to think comparatively: large scale/small scale, Latin America/Africa.

**William Pestle, Ashley White, and Timothy Norris** were awarded best museum catalog in the moderately expensive division by the Rare Books and Manuscripts Section of the American Libraries Association for: Pestle, W, White, A. and Norris, T. (2018). "Antillean Visions: Maps and the Making of the Caribbean" in Deupi, J (ed) *Antillean Visions; or Maps and the Making of the Caribbean*. Miami, Lowe Art Museum. The exhibit itself was also recognized as best event (budgets over \$15 million) in the America Library Association 2019 PR Xchange Awards.

## NOTES FROM THE FIELD:

### Detainee Allies: Scholar-Activism at San Diego State University, California

Last summer, in response to growing family separations and zero tolerance immigration policies along the US/Mexico border, a small group of San Diego State University faculty and community members decided to start writing letters to migrants and refugees locked up on the privately-run Otay Mesa Detention Center. Within two weeks, we received 16 letters back, asking for moral support and solidarity, as well as money to call



their family members back home. Each week, more and more letters came in, some of which described forced labor, medical neglect, contaminated or insufficient food, lack of access to basic necessities, among other human rights violations.

Reading these stories changed us and we felt motivated to act. Through our growing volunteer network, we built a pen pal program and a found way to make weekly commissary/phone donations to migrants and refugees in detention. We wrote a [policy report](#) and presented it to California's Attorney General, Xavier Becerra. Since July 2018, we've grown into an over 250-member grassroots organization called [Detainee Allies](#). We've received letters from over 500 migrants and refugees who have fled from 36 different countries and are being held in detention centers across the United States.

To document this troubling moment in American history, we realized that we needed to make these letters public. The voices of migrants and refugees in detention voices are often hidden from public view. Yet, here we

have hundreds of detainees begging to have their voices heard. We decided to donate our growing letter collection to the SDSU Special Collections and Archives to preserve these voices for posterity. After being redacted for privacy and confidentiality, these letters now live in a [digital archive](#) that is open and accessible to the public. We hope this archive will become an important tool for education and research, as students and researchers use the archive to learn about the lives of migrants and refugees being detained in their own backyards.

Kate Swanson

Professor of Geography  
San Diego State University

Links: <http://www.detaineeallies.org/>

SDSU Detainee Letter Archive:

<https://digitallibrary.sdsu.edu/islandora/object/sdsu%3A0tayMesaDetentionCenter>

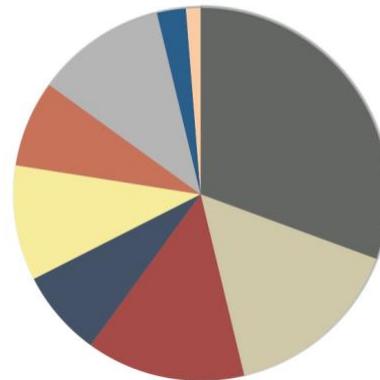
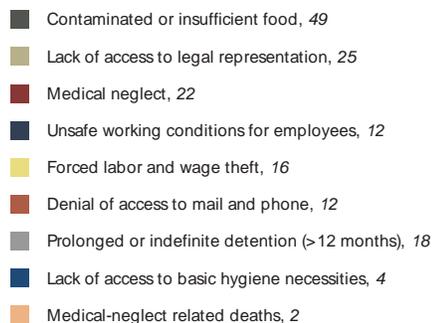
Detainee Allies Policy Report: <http://www.detaineeallies.org/report-for-policymakers/>

Media coverage: [New York Times](#), [CBC News](#), [Chronicle of Higher Education](#)



**D E T A I N E E A L L I E S . O R G**

### Report Summary



*(n= number of reported cases, based on the letters received between July and November 2018)*

For the third year in a row, **Dan Klooster** led a field class of 15 undergraduate students from the University of Redlands to Panama. With support from an excellent experiential travel organization and accompanied by David Smith, Nate Strout, and Stephen Moore from the University's Center for Spatial Studies,

**Elizabeth Oglesby** has engaged with the media on the Central American migration issue and on Guatemala including an article with Greg Grandin in the Nation: <https://www.thenation.com/article/border-patrol-guatemala-dictatorship/> and Opeds in The Hill <https://thehill.com/opinion/immigration/438772-universities-should-regulate-the-border-patrol-on-campus> and <https://thehill.com/opinion/immigration/412670-why-the-migrant-caravan-is-not-a-border-crisis> and <https://thehill.com/opinion/international/424496-forget-the-border-wall-a-coup-in-guatemala-is-the-real-emergency>



Chris Hartmann and students in Bolivia.

Prof. **Chris Hartmann** (SUNY Old Westbury) developed and led a nine day study abroad program in La Paz, Bolivia, around the themes of *vivir bien* (living well), intercultural healthcare, and traditional medicine. Thirteen undergraduate students participated in this experience, which was part of a semester-long course. The students visited health clinics, completed house-to-house visits with medical and public health practitioners, met with traditional healers, and toured various cultural sites, including Lake Titicaca, the Island of the Sun, and the Ethnography and Folklore Museum

In October-November 2019, Centro de Investigaciones en Geografía Ambiental (CIGA UNAM, Morelia, Mexico) master's student **Yared Cortina Aguilera** will be a visiting scholar at the University of Wisconsin – La Crosse (UWL). She will work with UWL's John Kelly on her thesis on conservation and restoration of ecosystems through mechanical practices as a strategy for soil restoration and adaptation to drought in the Mapimí Biosphere Reserve. Yared's advisor is Gerardo Bocco.

**Michael McCall, Tzitz Delgado, and Alina Álvarez Larrain**, of CIGA,

UNAM, Morelia, México organized the *Capacitación para Usar Herramientas para el Mapeo Comunitario*, 10-14 Junio, 2019. Mike, Tzitz and Alina facilitated four days of intensive training, practice and field exercises in participatory mapping and some PGIS in rural Cuba, Mayajigüa, Sancti Spíritus Province. The workshop was supported by Bases Ambientales para la Sostenibilidad Alimentaria Local (BASAL), a UNPD project. The 35 participants were a mix of students from the IGT (Instituto Geografía Tropical, Havana), BASAL técnicos from around the country, and the significant involvement of members of a local agricultural coop, CCS. As usual the highlight was fieldwork in fincas of the CCS members and the subsequent discourse. The primary themes from BASAL were landscape and production changes, hazards and risks, including climate change.

**Michael McCall, Tzitz Delgado, y Alina Álvarez Larrain**, de CIGA, UNAM, Morelia, México organizaron la *Capacitación para Usar Herramientas para el Mapeo Comunitario*, 10-14 Junio, 2019. Mike, Tzitz y Alina facilitaron cuatro días de entrenamiento intensivo, práctica y ejercicios de campo en cartografía/mapeo participativa/o y algunos de SIGP en Cuba rural, Mayajigüa, provincia de Sancti Spíritus. El taller fue apoyado por Bases Ambientales para la Sostenibilidad Alimentaria Local (BASAL), un proyecto de PNUD. Los 35 participantes fueron los estudiantes del IGT (Instituto Geografía Tropical, La Habana), técnicos de BASAL de otras regiones, y la

Mapping risk in a finca



participación significativa de miembros de una cooperativa agrícola local, CCS. Como de costumbre, lo más destacado fue el trabajo de campo en las fincas de la CCS y el discurso posteriormente. Los temas principales de BASAL fueron cambios en el paisaje y la producción, y los peligros y riesgos, incluido el cambio climático.



May 7, 2018: Casillas, Guatemala for the official visit of the United Nations Special Rapporteur for the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Victoria Tauli-Corpuz. Left: Rebecca; Middle: Catherine; Far Right: Charlotte

**Charlotte Connolly** and **Rebecca Ferris**, MA students in Natural Resources and Environmental Studies (Geography), traveled to Guatemala in May 2018 to participate in the UNBC Geography + Rights Action field school and conduct research for their theses. Charlotte's work is tentatively titled: *Exporting Canada's Extractives Approach to Development: The nexus of law, violence and development in the case of Tahoe Resources Inc. in Guatemala*. Interviews also took place in Canada as well as analysis of Canadian government documents produced through Access to Information and Privacy (ATIP) requests (supervisor: Catherine Nolin). Rebecca is also working with historical ATIP files which reveal ongoing government support for the Canadian extractive companies operating in Guatemala in the face of allegations of human rights violations and crimes.

Rebecca's work focuses on Toronto-based HudBay Minerals Fenix mining operation and the vocal resistance of Indigenous Q'eqchi women land defenders.

## RECENT GRADUATES AND NEW POSITIONS

### SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDED THESES AND DISSERTATIONS:

**Laura Sauls**, August 2019, PhD, "*Territorial Claims and Climate Change Governance in Mesoamerica*", Graduate School of Geography, Clark University. Advisor: Anthony Bebbington.

**Aaron Malone** completed his PhD in Geography from the University of Colorado, Boulder in May. His dissertation examined Mexican migrant organizations, their roles as hometown development actors, and their interactions with the state via the 3x1 Program -- an article from this project was published in *JLAG* 17(1). He will continue work on development in Latin America as a postdoctoral researcher in the newly-formed Center for Mining Sustainability at the Colorado School of Mines. His work will focus on rural livelihoods and environmental issues around artisanal gold mining in southern Peru.

**Lauren Wustenberg**, MA Geography. "*Dynamic adaptation of peasant livelihoods to river capture in the Peruvian Amazon*". She is currently enrolled in Vermont Law School where she is pursuing her law degree and a Masters of Food and Agriculture Law and Policy.



Laura Sauls and Anthony Bebbington on graduation day.

**Anna Sveinsdóttir** graduated in June 2019 with a PhD from the Department of Geography and the Environment at the University of Denver. Her dissertation is titled “*Environmental Governance, Extractive Industries and Struggles for Environmental Justice in Guatemala.*”

**Laurel Bellante:** “*Double Exposure, Dispossession, and Farmer Resistance in the Cornfields of Chiapas, Mexico.*” School of Geography and Development, University of Arizona.



Derek Smith and Miguel Sioui

**Miguel Sioui:** “*Being part of the land: The responsibility-based Yucatec Maya land ethos.*” Advisor: Derek Smith. Miguel is the first Indigenous geographer to graduate from Department of Geography and Environmental Studies at Carleton University; for more details: <https://newsroom.carleton.ca/story/fall-convocation-carletons-first-indigenous-doctoral-graduate-in-geography/>

**Niki VonHedemann:** “*Incentives, Livelihoods, and Forest Ecology: Payments for Ecosystem Services in Guatemala's Western Highlands.*” School of Geography and Development, University of Arizona. Advisor: Tracey Osborne.

**Sarah Kelly:** “*Articulating Indigenous Rights Amidst Territorial Fragmentation: Small Hydropower Conflicts in the Puelwillimapu, Southern Chile.*” School of Geography and Development, University of Arizona.

**Irene Pérez Llorente.** Doctorado en Geografía, UNAM. Tesis: “*La ecología política de los conflictos forestales en Michoacán*” bajo la dirección de Isabel Ramírez. Mención Honorífica.

**Horacio Morales Iglesias.** Doctorado en Geografía, UNAM. Tesis: “*La heterogeneidad de los paisajes físico-geográficos y su relación con la riqueza biológica del estado de Chiapas*” bajo la dirección del Dr. Ángel Priego.

**Yurixhi Manríquez Bucio.** Doctorado en Geografía, UNAM. Tesis: “*Territorios disputados: desposesión y resistencia ante proyectos mineros y energéticos en la región Sierra Norte de Puebla*” bajo la dirección del Dr. Claudio Garibay.

**Diana Espíndola.** Maestría en Geografía, UNAM. Tesis: “*Impacto de las Áreas Naturales Protegidas en la capacidad de respuesta territorial ante eventos hidrometeorológicos extremos en el Bajo Balsas (Tierra Caliente, Michoacán)*” bajo la dirección de la Dra. Ana Burgos.

**Ana Edith Merlo Reyes.** Maestría en Geografía, UNAM. Tesis: “*El Uso del Suelo y la Calidad del Agua en Microcuencas del Oriente de Michoacán, 2011-2017*”. bajo la dirección de la Dra. Isabel Ramírez y Mtra. Rosaura Páez. Mención honorífica.

**Fernando Rocha Álvarez.** Maestría en Geografía, UNAM. Tesis: “*Evaluación del potencial de uso comunitario de pequeños vehículos aéreos no tripulados para el monitoreo ambiental y la defensa territorial indígena en México*” bajo la dirección del Dr. Jaime Paneque y Dra. Yan Gao. Mención honorífica.

**Arianna Berenice Pérez Ayala.** Maestría en Geografía, UNAM. Tesis: “*Habitabilidad y vivienda de interés social. El caso de la periferia urbana de Morelia, Michoacán*” bajo la dirección del Dr. Antonio Vieyra.

**Vania Naharai López García.** Maestría en Ciencias Ambientales y Riesgos, UNAM. Tesis: “*Algoritmos de optimización para distribución de estufas eficientes de leña*” bajo la dirección del Dr. Adrián Ghilardi. Mención Honorífica y se la postuló para la medalla Alfonso Caso.

**Ana Isabel Castro Reyes.** Maestría en Ciencias Ambientales y Riesgos, UNAM. Tesis: “*Estimación del potencial bioenergético en Angamacutiro, Michoacán, a partir de residuos agrícolas*” bajo la dirección del Dr. Adrián Ghilardi.

**Gabriela García Ayala.** Maestría en Geografía, UNAM. Tesis: “*El lago Magdalena-Etztatlán: un análisis del paisaje a través del tiempo*” bajo la dirección de la Dra. Berenice Solis y Dr. Gabriel Vázquez.

**Leopoldo Gómez Sandoval.** Maestría en Geografía, UNAM. Tesis: “*Dinámica de acuíferos que abastece a la ciudad de Morelia*” bajo la dirección del Dr. Victor Garduño Monroy.

## NEW POSITIONS:

**Karl Offen** was named Chair of the Environmental Studies Program at Oberlin College effective 2019-20.

**Claudia Radel**, Utah State University, promoted to Full Professor of Human Geography, effective 1 July 2019

**Timothy Norris** accepted a position as a librarian associate professor at the University of Miami Libraries.

**Anna Sveinsdóttir** (Ph.D. University of Denver in June 2019) will join the Johnson Lab for Research on Environmental Inequality at the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences at the University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign, where she will serve as a Postdoctoral Researcher with Dr. McKenzie Johnson.

**James Biles** (City University of New York) was recently appointed to the Executive Committee of the CUNY Dominican Studies Institute. He will spend the next couple of months collaborating on a partnership between CUNY and a CONACYT-funded Nodos Binacionales de Innovación (NoBI) project based at the Centro de Investigación Científica de Yucatán (Mérida, Mexico). Modeled on the NSF I-Corps program, the NoBI initiative supports collaboration between researchers, entrepreneurs and investors to promote development and commercialization of new and innovative technologies.

**Laura Sauls** accepted a position as a Teaching Fellow in Environmental Studies at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, MA for the 2019-20 academic year. She was also awarded a Leverhulme Early Career Fellowship, which she will take up at the University of Sheffield (UK) in 2020.

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## Note from the CLAG Communications Coordinator



As always, it is a pleasure to reach out into the CLAG community and put this newsletter together. Thank you for all of the contributions and congratulations to everyone for ... well, being so cool. I look

forward to the coming months in which I will continue to work on the online membership system and organizing the accumulated and rich materials on the current website. Much progress has already been made and as noted by Brad, by the time we see each other in Antigua, you will be able to renew

your CLAG ,membership and manage your account entirely through the <https://clagscholar.org> website.

Kind regards

Timothy B Norris

Librarian Associate Professor  
University of Miami  
CLAG Communications Coordinator

## CLAG FIELD STUDY AWARD WINNERS, 2018

### 2019 PHD FIELD STUDY AWARDS:

<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Project Title</b>
<b>Ainhoa Mingolarra Garaizar</b> Syracuse University	<i>Transboundary Water Governance in the Masacre Watershed (Haiti and the DR). Preliminary Research in the Haitian side</i>
<b>Akemi Inamoto Orellana</b> Syracuse University	<i>Gender and Environmental Governance at the Intersection of Climate Change and Neoliberalization: Rice Farmers in Tolima, Colombia</i>
<b>Caroline Tracey</b> UC Berkeley	<i>“The Soul Will Fly Home of its Own Accord” 1 Postmortem Infrastructure and the New Geography of Migrant Death</i>
<b>Audrey Denvir</b> University of Texas at Austin	<i>Avocado in Mexico and Peru: A Global Commodity Chain Analysis</i>
<b>Anais Zimmer</b> University of Texas at Austin	<i>Future of Periglacial Landscape: Alpine Ecosystems and Deglaciation in the Tropical Andes and French Alps</i>
<b>Talia Mills</b> Kings College of London	<i>Gender and Violence on the Move: Urban Violence Induced Displacement Among Central American Adolescent Women Along the Journey to Southern Mexico.</i>
<b>Megan Mills-Novoa</b> University of Arizona	<i>After Adaptation: A Multi-Scalar Study of Climate Change Adaptation Projects in Ecuador</i>
<b>Leila Donn</b> University of Texas at Austin	<i>New machine-learning computer program to find and study caves, karst, and climate in the Guatemalan tropical forest of the Maya Lowlands</i>

### 2019 MASTERS FIELD STUDY AWARDS:

<b>Recipient</b>	<b>Project Title</b>
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<b>Jamie Gagliano</b> Syracuse University	<i>Intergenerational mobilization, agroecology and soy: The case of Paraguay’s Conamuri</i>
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## CALL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS – LAND SPECIAL ISSUE

Consider making a contribution to a special issue of the journal LAND, which will be guest edited by Mariel Aguilar-Stoen, Lindsey Carte, Claudia Radel, and Birgit Schmook.

Dear Colleagues,

Migration and land processes have numerous connections. Migration involves different origins and destinations, can be rural or urban, national or international, and can consist of different groups of peoples moving for different reasons and over different timespans. This diversity results in complex and uneven land–migration coupling mediated by social, political, and economic conditions. This Special Issue aims to bring together work at the land–migration interface with conceptual contributions, case studies from around the world, and new insights to enhance the understanding of land–migration relationships.

We invite papers focusing on, but not limited to:

- migration resulting in land use and land cover changes in origin or destination locations;
- displacement from land or land-based resources leading to migration;
- and transitions or consolidations that precipitate either in- or out-migration;
- amenity migration and land change;
- intersections of migration with land tenure, land governance, and environmental conflicts;
- land system telecoupling through migration and remittance flows;
- conditions enabling shared spaces in the context of migration;
- south–south migration and its distinct relationships to land;
- how gendered migration relates to land and land change.

The special issue is on “Migration and Land” and has a submission deadline of 31 December 2019:

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