

Latin American Studies Center



Fall 2018

Graduate-Undergraduate Capstone Mentorship Program

The Latin American Studies Center invites applications from currently enrolled UMD graduate students in any discipline to participate in the Graduate-Undergraduate Capstone Mentorship Program Fall semester, 2018.

Accepted graduate mentors will be paired with one undergraduate student who is completing their Capstone research project for the Latin American Studies Certificate. All graduate mentors must commit to:

- meet monthly with the LASC Director
- meet at least bi-weekly with their assigned undergraduate student
- give one guest lecture to the Capstone class
- work closely with the student through multiple drafts of their research
- provide oral and written feedback to the student

In addition to gaining valuable mentorship and teaching experience, accepted graduate students will be compensated with a \$400 stipend.

The senior capstone course, LASC 458, is the final course requirement to complete the undergraduate Latin American Studies Center Certificate. To learn more about the Certificate Program, visit: http://www.lasc.umd.edu/academics/certificate.php

The Capstone Course explores cutting edge trends in Latin American studies and the power of interdisciplinary perspectives in intellectual study and also in real life. Every fall, the course is offered for a cohort of undergraduate students, who work on independent research topics of their own choosing. The topic can be drawn from any part of Latin America and the Caribbean that is particularly exciting to each student. Students produce an in-depth 25-page research paper. If students wish to apply for graduate programs after their UMD graduation, this course provides crucial training and a final written product that facilitates academic success at the MA and PhD levels. To learn more about the Capstone Project, visit: http://www.lasc.umd.edu/academics/capstone.php

Submit a **resume/CV** and a **letter of interest** that addresses your teaching and mentoring experiences and goals to Dr. Britta Anderson at bander@umd.edu by **May 7, 2018.**