

# SABERES SIN FRONTERAS: KNOWLEDGE WITHOUT BORDERS

## A CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

### PROPOSALS ARE DUE MARCH 30<sup>TH</sup> 2018

Send in a 200 word abstract to [lacsgrad@uw.edu](mailto:lacsgrad@uw.edu) - include your title and contact information.

The Symposium will take place on Friday April 27<sup>th</sup> 2018, 9:30am-5:30pm in the [Samuel E. Kelley Ethnic Cultural Center \(ECC\)](#), 3931 Brooklyn Avenue NE Seattle, WA 98105.

### Purpose:

Under the theme of “Saberes sin fronteras,” the 2018 Latin American and Caribbean Studies Symposium is an event organized by a group of Latinamericanistas, members of the LACS Graduate Student and Alumni Group (LACS-Grad). The purpose of this event is to provide a space for academics, students, community leaders and organizations to come together in community. Celebrating the Latin American and Caribbean Studies Program’s 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary serves as an impetus and inspiration for this event. One of the dimensions of the theme of the anniversary – “Saberes sin fronteras” - is the acknowledgment of the connections between academic research and the society in which institutions are based. We, in LACS-Grad, see political activism/community-based organization as an intellectual praxis that presupposes the production of knowledges and realities otherwise. We believe in the close interdependence of the work usually categorized as "academic" and "grassroots/activist," and refuse to accept the limits that such categorization imposes on the possibilities of a research that is built collaboratively. This event will create a space for discussion around struggles in regards to social, political, environmental, and equity issues, and will culminate in a call to think together an agenda of collaboration for the immediate (and not so immediate) future that particularly addresses the (re)new(ed) challenges of the present xenophobic, racist, and misogynist administration.

We invite proposals for 20-minute paper presentations, posters/arts/exhibits, 10-minute lightning talks, or colloquia addressing one of the following themes:

Theme 1: The University as a resource to organizations and the community

Theme 2: Borders

a) Personal and Community Journeys of Struggles and Resistance Across Borders.

OR

b) Contesting Colonial-Imposed Borders (Physical & Psychological): *What is our Common Struggle?*

Theme 3: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in Education

Theme 4: Latinx Population Health and Wellness

Theme 5: Challenging State Sanctioned Racist Politics - Past and Present - For a Better Future