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The Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies

## **Tinker Field Research Grant for Research in Latin America** **2018 Request for Proposals**

The Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CLACS) is accepting applications from Brown University graduate students (pre-candidacy, in any discipline and degree program, including professional degrees) for Tinker Field Research Grants. Successful applicants receive up to \$4,000 to support research travel during calendar year 2018 to the Spanish- and Portuguese-speaking countries of the Western Hemisphere (excluding the U.S. and Canada).

The program is funded through support from the Tinker Foundation, the Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, and the Graduate School.

### **Eligibility:**

An applicant must:

- 1) *Be in the Masters level/pre-dissertation stage of research in Latin America: language acquisition, site selection, developing contacts, preliminary research, etc.*  
*N.B. PhD candidates (i.e. those in third or fourth year who have advanced to candidacy) are not eligible for this funding.*
- 2) *Plan to use the grant for a short research period lasting from 2 weeks to 4 months.*
- 3) *Be able to present completed research in a public lecture or poster session at CLACS prior to the end of the spring 2019 semester.*
- 4) *If the applicant is a citizen of a Latin American country, they may receive an award to conduct research in that country provided they do not have previous extensive field research experience in that country.*
- 5) *If the applicant has already received a Tinker Field Research Grant, they must clarify what is different about their proposal this year.*

Applicants must submit (1) a brief project proposal (no more than 500 words) outlining the research plan and goals for travel; (2) a simple budget for the research,

including other funding sources that are confirmed or pending; (3) a curriculum vitae including contact information; and (4) a brief letter of support emailed directly from a faculty mentor. Items 1, 2 and 3 must be submitted in a single PDF file.

Please email all required documents to [Kate\\_Goldman@brown.edu](mailto:Kate_Goldman@brown.edu), subject line Tinker Application, by **February 16, 2018 at 5 pm.**