***Georgetown University***

# Applying to the Master of Arts in Latin American Studies

Applicants to the Georgetown University Master of Arts in Latin American Studies program must submit the following materials:

1. The Graduate School **application,** available at http://grad.georgetown.edu/pages/admissions.cfm
2. A **personal statement** describing your academic interests and future goals.
3. Three letters of **recommendation**: At least two should be from professors or others who know your academic strengths. The third letter may be a professional reference. If it is impossible for you to obtain letters from academic references, please state your reasons in your personal statement.
4. Official **transcripts** from all undergraduate and graduate degree programs.
5. **Test scores**: Applicants who have completed any undergraduate or graduate degree in an English-speaking college/university must submit **GRE** general scores. Applicants who have completed any undergraduate or graduate degree in a non-English-speaking college/university must submit **TOEFL** scores.
6. The Latin American Studies Program **Supplementary Data** form below.

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## Supplementary Data

1. Name _____ _____
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2. Undergraduate degree earned from (university) _____
   graduation year _____ major _____ cumulative GPA _____

3. What is your intended area of Latin American Studies concentration? _____

4. When did you (or when will you) take the GRE, and IELTS or TOEFL? _____
   unofficial scores: TOEFL _____ IELTS_____ GRE V ___ Q _____ A _____

5. If you are applying for the joint Latin American Studies M.A./Government Ph.D. program, do you wish to be considered for the Latin American Studies program alone if you are not admitted to the Government Ph.D. program? **Please note: Applicants to joint degree programs must submit two separate applications, including separate credentials (transcripts, statements, and letters).**
   Circle one: YES NO

6. How did you learn about Georgetown's Latin American Studies M.A. Program?
   *[ ] CLAS website [ ] SFS website [ ] Graduate School website*
   *[ ] Peterson's Guide [ ] Professor [ ] Other* _____

7. Please include curriculum vita or resume listing all of the following information:
   *a. All relevant Latin American courses or prerequisites for your concentration with dates and grades (you may highlight an unofficial copy of your transcript if you wish)*
   *b. All relevant overseas experiences*
   *c. All relevant work or internship experience*
   *d. All relevant extracurricular activities*

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***OPTIONAL:*** Students meeting the scholarship deadline are eligible to apply for a **Foreign Language & Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship**, which includes a full academic year tuition scholarship, plus a stipend. Applicants must be US citizens or permanent residents and must intensively study a less-commonly taught language (with priority funding for the study of Portuguese) in order to qualify for this award. In order to be considered for this award, applicants must attach a brief statement which addresses the following: The goals of the FLAS fellowship program include 1) to assist in the development of knowledge, resources, and trained personnel for modern foreign language and area/international studies; 2) to stimulate the attainment of foreign language acquisition and fluency; and 3) to develop a pool of international experts to meet national needs. How do your long-term academic and career plans meet the goals of the FLAS program? Be sure to include an explanation of how language study is integral to your degree program and future goals.