The History Commission was created through the XXVII Resolution of the Fourth General Assembly of the Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in Caracas, Venezuela, in August 1946.

In 1947 the First Consultation Meeting on History was held. It took place in Mexico’s Federal District. During this meeting it was decided that Dr. Silvio Zavala would become the President of the History Commission.

In his speech “The History Commission of the Pan-American Institute of Geography and History,” which was published by the magazine of the National University in January of 1950, Dr. Zavala said:

The History Commission is not another Academy or Research Institute, like those that already exist in the Americas, but a stimulating coordinator and broadcasting agency of studies on the Americas that has the mission of working in cooperation with academics and institutions focused on this subject.

The ongoing study of the parallel history of Native American peoples should not be approached, in my opinion, with the sole purpose of establishing similarities or differences. It is also important to create the habit of contemplation and meditation on the historical phenomena of the New World, which is enhanced in light of contiguous experiences.

The Commission pays special attention to the technical capacity of their collaborators, since it pursues ideals of historical quality.

It is our desire that in each country of the Americas, this presentation serve as an appeal towards new perspectives.
Three years later, during its Second Consultation Meeting on History in Santiago, Chile, the History of Ideas Committee was established. Dr. Leopoldo Zea presided over this Committee until his death in 2004.

Successively, new committees were created. The Anthropology Committee was created during the Third Consultation Meeting on History, held in Mexico’s Federal District. In 1959, during the Fourth Consultation Meeting on History, in Cuenca, Ecuador, the Historical Bibliography Committee was created. In 1961, during the Fifth Consultation Meeting on History, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, a working group on the Atlas of the History of America was created, and the various committees of the History Commission were constituted as follows:

- Anthropology
- Archives
- Bibliography
- Teaching of History
- Folklore
- History of Ideas
- Origins of the Emancipation Movement

Throughout these years, the organization of the Commission has been modified according to the new academic challenges. Currently, the Commission has eight Committees and is organized as follows:

- Political, Economic and Social History Committee
  - Political History Working Group
  - Inter-American Relations Working Group
- American Historiography Committee
  - Teaching of History Working Group
- Historical Cartography Committee
  - Comparative History Working Group
- Cultural History Committee
  - Archives Working Group
  - Intangible Cultural Heritage Working Group
- Inter-American Relations Committee
- Environmental History and Climate Change Committee
- Anthropology and Archeology Committee
The 2018 "Silvio Zavala" Award for Colonial History in the Americas

The History Commission of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History, calls for applications to the 2018 "Silvio Zavala" Award for Colonial History in the Americas.

The award is granted to researchers with outstanding career accomplishments and relevant contributions to Colonial History in the Americas.

The call for applications is available at the following link:

http://comisiones.ipgh.org/historia/assets/convocatoria_premio_szavala.pdf

Inquiries: comisiondehistoria.ipgh@gmail.com

Deadline for Applications: August 31, 2018.
2018 Pan-American History Award for Best Doctoral Thesis

The History Commission of the Pan-American Institute of Geography and History calls for applications to the 2018 Pan-American History Award.

This award acknowledges recent research carried out by students from one of the PAIGH Member States or graduates of official PhD programs in universities in any of the Member States, in fields related to 19th and 20th Century history of the Americas.

For further information or to apply: http://comisiones.ipgh.org/historia/assets/convocatoria_mejor_tesis_doctoral_2018.pdf

Inquiries: comisiondehistoria.ipgh@gmail.com

Deadline for applications: August 31, 2018.

American History Journal


Please address any inquiries to journal editor Alexandra Pita, PhD: revhistoamerica@ipgh.org

Journal of American Archeology

The Journal of American Archeology (Revista de arqueología americana) has an open call for the submission of articles to be published in its forthcoming editions.

For further information, please contact journal editor Mario A. Rivera PhD: arqueologia.americana@ipgh.org
The American Anthropology (Antropología Americana) journal of the Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), invites scholars to send thematic dossier proposals for consideration in upcoming editions.

Proposals can be sent to the journal (antropologia.americana@ipgh.org) until August 30, 2018, and should include the following information:

1. Name or title of the theme of the dossier.
2. Objectives and justification of the theme (500 words).
3. A provisional list of possible articles that will be included in the dossier, as well as the names of participating writers, including a brief résumé for each.
4. The résumé of the coordinator of the thematic dossier.
5. The proposals will be considered by the Editorial Committee of the journal. Proposals with an international perspective that include with authors from different regions in Latin America and the Caribbean will be privileged.

6. Once a proposal is accepted by the journal’s Editorial Committee, the coordinator (or coordinators) will be responsible for:
   - Posting the ‘Call for papers’ in collaboration with the journal’s Editorial Committee.
   - Contacting potential authors to collaborate on the thematic edition.
   - Carrying out a preliminary evaluation of the papers, together with the Editorial Committee of the journal.
   - Suggesting at least two peer reviewers for each paper.

7. All the articles will be peer reviewed according to the double-blind system.

8. A list of selected thematic dossiers will be published by September 10, 2018.
**ACADEMIC EVENTS**

**XIV CENTRAL AMERICAN CONGRESS OF HISTORY. "HISTORY OF POLITICAL PROCESSES AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS"**

Organized by the School of History at the University of San Carlos, Guatemala.

Place: The University of San Carlos, Guatemala City.

Date: August 6th to August 10th, 2018

For more information: https://www.facebook.com/XIV-CongresoCentroamericanoHistoria2018/
E-mail: congresohistoriaca@gmail.com

**THE CENTER FOR HISTORICAL STUDIES OF THE COLLEGE OF MEXICO IS PLEASED TO INVITE YOU TO THE CONFERENCE**


Place: Carretera Picacho Ajusco 20, Col. Ampliación Fuentes del Pedregal, C.P. 14110 Tlalpan, Mexico City.

Date: August 22, 2018

For more information: http://ceh.colmex.mx/index.php/eventos/actividades-academicas
Phone: +52 55 544930

**INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS: LATIN AMERICAN SOCIAL THOUGHT FACING THE IDEA OF CRISIS**

Place: Maria Sibylla Merian Center for Advanced Latin American Studies, Guadalajara, Mexico

Date: September 6th to 8th, 2018

E-mail: info@calas.lat
**Event:**

XXVIII Congress of the Association of Studies of Gender and Sexualities (International Association of Women’s Literature and Hispanic Culture)

**The Institute of Historical Research of the UNAM calls for participation in the course "The American Century: 1917-2017"

Place: Casa de las Humanidades en Presidente Carranza 162, Coyoacán, 04000, Mexico City

Date: Every Tuesday from August 7th to September 25th, 2018

For more information: http://www.historicas.unam.mx/eventos/2018/cursos/siglo_americano.html
E-mail: difih@unam.mx

**The Institute of Historical Research of the UNAM invites participants to the seminar "History and International Relations: Dialogue Across Disciplines"

Place: Salón Académico del Instituto de Investigaciones Históricas, Circuito Mtro. Mario de la Cueva, Zona Cultural, Ciudad Universitaria, Coyoacán, Mexico City

Date: Thursday, August 23rd; September 6th and 20th, October 4th, November 8th and 22nd, 2018 from 5 to 7 pm

For more information: http://ailcfh.org

Place: University of Illinois at Chicago

Date: September 27-29, 2018

For more information: http://ailcfh.org
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Description: The purpose of this seminar is to motivate discussion among the students about different perspectives that come together in the study of History and International Relations.

For more information: http://www.historicas.unam.mx/eventos/2018/docs/cartel_seminario_historia_relaciones_internacionales.pdf
E-mail: seminariohytri@gmail.com

VII International Congress on Colonial History (EIHC)

The Federal University of Rio Grande do Norte (UFRN) invites researchers, professors and students to participate in this congress, organized around the idea of “Colonial Spaces: Control, Power and Representation.” It will take place from September 5th to 8th at the UFRN campus in Brazil.

For more information: https://viieihc.wixsite.com/ei-hc-english

Tenth International Conference of Ethnohistory: Renewed and Connected Perspectives

The Ecuador office of the Latin American Institute of Social Sciences (FLACSO), invites researchers, professors, and students to participate in the tenth edition of this conference, which is centered around new ethnohistory research agendas. The conference will take place from September 19-21 at FLACSO, in Quito, Ecuador.

For more information: https://www.flacso.edu.ec/etnohistoria/inicio/convocatoria.flacso
The Third Edition of the Latin American and Caribbean Book Fair

Place: Faculty of Political and Social Sciences, University City, Mexico City, Mexico.
Date: From August 27 to 30, 2018
Description: The Center for Latin American Studies of the Faculty of Political and Social Sciences of the National University of Mexico (UNAM), invites you to propose books published in 2017 and 2018 with Latin American and Caribbean themes to be presented during the third edition of the Latin American and Caribbean Book Fair. For more information: http://www.politicas.unam.mx/cela/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/3_feria_libro_cela.jpg
E-mail: celaunam@gmail.com

Call for Submissions, Caricen Magazine

E-mail: revistacaricen@politicas.unam.mx

Call for Symposium Proposals for the 6th Latin American Congress of Economic History in July 2019.

Place: Santiago, Chile.
Submissions Accepted: Between July 1st and August 15, 2018
Description: With the intention of promoting the joint participation of researchers from different countries and regions of the world, each symposium should have at least coordinators of at least two different nationalities (with a maximum of three coordinators).
**XI Workshop on Colonial History, UAI**

The Department of History and Social Sciences and the Center for American Studies (College of Liberal Arts) of the Adolfo Ibáñez University (UAI), calls on academics and researchers to participate in a series of workshops that will take place from October 16-19, 2018, at the UAI campus in Santiago de Chile.

*For more information: https://artesliberales.uai.cl/evento/xi-jornadas-historia-colonial/*

**Dimensões Magazine, UFes**

The history journal Dimensões, published by the Federal University of Espírito Santo (UFes) calls for articles for its Dossier No. 41 "Historical routes: science, technology and environment,” coordinated by Felipe Cruz and Jadir Peçanha Rostoldo. In this issue, topics connected with the challenges and opportunities for historiographical construction that emerge through improvements in science and technology will be addressed. The deadline to send articles is August 15, 2018.

*For more information: http://periodicos.ufes.br/dimensoes*

**Inter-University Doctoral Program in History**

The Institute of Social Sciences of Lisbon University (ICS-UL), the University Institute of Lisbon (ISCTE-IUL), the Portuguese Catholic University, and the University of Evora call for applications from those who wish to participate in the Inter-University Program in History titled “Change and Continuity in a Global World.” The second phase of applications will be open from July 16 to August 17, 2018.

*For more information: http://piudhist.ics.ul.pt/*

**Ibero-American Institute (IAI) Research Grants**

The Ibero-American Institute (IAI) calls for participants in a competition for ten to twelve scholarships to support a one- to two-month research stay in Berlin. The scholarships will give scholars, registered in a PhD program, the opportunity to further innovative projects related to the research focus of the IAI; the chance to participate in an interdisciplinary dialogue; as well as the ability to make use of the IAI’s vast library hold-
ings and special collections. For the 2019 competition, IAI will accept proposals related to the topic of "Cultural and Knowledge Transfer: Pathways and Infrastructures." IAI seeks project proposals that take the following approaches: cultural and social anthropological perspectives, historical and socio-scientific perspectives, or from a literary and cultural studies perspective. The deadline for applications is August 31, 2018.

Fecha límite de aplicaciones: 31 de agosto de 2018. For more information: https://www.iai.spk-berlin.de/es/becas.html

**Upcoming anniversaries on the American**

**AUGUST 1ST**
1498, Venezuela.
Christopher Columbus sees mainland in the American continent, which he will name "Venezuela."

**AUGUST 4TH**
1851, Nicaragua.
A military coup, led by conservative General Trinidad Muñoz, overthrows President Laureano Pineda.

**AUGUST 5TH**
1583, Canada.
British navigator Humphrey Gilbert, arrives to the island of Newfoundland, which will become the first English colony in North America.

**AUGUST 6TH**
1538, Colombia.
Santa Fe de Bogotá, the current capital, is founded.

**AUGUST 10TH**
1994, Dominican Republic
José Francisco Peña Gómez and Joaquín Balaguer sign a pact for democracy to solve the political crisis.

**AUGUST 12TH**
1980, Uruguay.
The Treaty of Montevideo
creates the Latin American Integration Association.

**AUGUST 13TH**

1521, Mexico.
Hernán Cortés names himself Governor and Captain of New Spain after defeating Cuauhtémoc.

**AUGUST 14TH**

1910, Panama.
Eight kilometers of the canal between the Pacific Ocean and the Caribbean Sea are inaugurated.

**AUGUST 16TH**

2000, United States
The cloning of human embryos for medical purposes is approved.

**AUGUST 17TH**

1883, Dominican Republic
The national anthem is performed for the first time.

**AUGUST 18TH**

1920, United States
The Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution is signed, guaranteeing suffrage to women.

**AUGUST 21ST**

1959, United States.
Hawaii becomes the 50th state.

**AUGUST 22**

1848, United States.
Annexation of New Mexico.

**AUGUST 24TH**

1821, Mexico.
Signature of the Treaties of Cordoba between the viceroy Juan O’Donojú and the commander of the Army of the Three Guarantees, Agustín de Iturbide, in which New Spain is recognized as an independent empire.

**AUGUST 27TH**

1828
Signature of the Preliminary Peace Convention, during which the independence of Uruguay is established.

**AUGUST 31ST**

1931, Chile.
The Chilean naval mutiny begins.