

CSA 2010 Travel Grants Call for Applications

For the 2010 Annual Conference to be hosted by the University of the West Indies (Cave Hill) in Bridgetown, Barbados, CSA is able to offer a limited number of travel grants, directed at assisting the following CSA members:

- Young scholars/graduate students (under 30 yrs);
- Established/reowned scholars from under-resourced areas (specifically, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Guyana, and Haiti);
- Retired and independent scholars in need.

The aim of this grant is to assist members who do not have access to any funding from their home institutions, and who without assistance will not be able to attend the meeting. We ask applicants to consider carefully the requirements, selection criteria and restrictions below, and to bear in mind that, except in very rare circumstances, we do not have the resources to contemplate full funding for any individual. In all cases, the number of awarded grants is dependent on the funding available and will vary from year to year.

The application must include:

1. Acceptance of paper by Program Committee
2. Proof of earnings in the form of a letter from supervisor/head of Faculty, or equivalent
3. Curriculum Vitae
4. A statement of why you should be awarded the grant. Applicants should specify if they are applying for **partial** funding or **full** funding (for full funding, see restrictions below).

Applications should be sent by email and simultaneously by February 28, 2010 **at the latest** to: Linden Lewis llewis@bucknell.edu, Holger Henke hhenke@verizon.net, Margaret Shrimpton maggieshrimpton@yahoo.com.mx, and Samuel Furé Davis sfuredavis@flex.uh.cu.

Selection Criteria

1. Preference will be given to candidates who demonstrate:
 - Relevance to Conference theme (See conference call at www.caribbean-studies.org)
 - Originality of topic in terms of advancing scholarship on the region
 - Relevance of topic in terms of forming policy and social practices in the region
 - Relevance in terms of promoting multi-national, multi-lingual, multi-institutional and interdisciplinary panels. Economic need (to be reviewed case by case).
2. The Selection Committee will comprise a group of Executive Council members and independent members of CSA in good standing.

Restrictions

To be awarded full funding applicants should include **an additional declaration** of non-availability of other funding from other institutions/associations, in the form of a letter from the head of his/her institution or faculty validating the non-availability of institutional funds for travel to congresses.