



OBSERVATORIO RESEARCH GRANTS

2021-2022

The “Observatory of the Spanish Language and Hispanic Cultures in the United States” (the *Observatorio*) provides a limited number of annual funds for research projects, which must be led by Harvard faculty members and related to the core interests of the center: the social and linguistic evolution of the Spanish language and Hispanic cultures and communities in the United States; the use and learning of Spanish by different types of speakers (including but not limited to minorities) and its coexistence with other languages; the study of its literature, thought and artistic creation as identity-defining factors of Hispanic communities; and the dissemination of literature and thought originally written in Spanish, in either this language or in English translation. The *Observatorio's* aim in funding these projects is to contribute to the analysis of the Hispanic linguistic, social, political and cultural reality in the United States.

Who Is Eligible

Only Harvard faculty and graduate students are eligible to apply, but proposed activities may include other scholars and researchers from inside and outside Harvard.

How to Apply

Proposals should include the objectives, methodology, expected results, and outreach, as well as a detailed estimate of expenses and the Department the applicants belong to. Graduate students’ proposals should be endorsed by the student’s primary advisor.

Each proposal will be reviewed by the *Observatorio's* Director and Executive Director, who make recommendations to the Steering Committee. Questions and applications should be submitted to the *Observatorio's* Executive Director, Marta Mateo (execdir-observatory@fas.harvard.edu).

Deadline

Research proposals will be accepted and reviewed twice a year. Applications should be submitted **by November 5th or by April 5th** for the following semester.

Terms

All grant recipients must submit a brief research memo (1 page), reporting on the use of the *Observatorio's* grant funds: for fall grants the memo will be expected in June of the following year; for spring grants, in December of the same year. The findings resulting from the funded research project could be published as an issue of *Estudios del Observatorio/Observatorio Studies*.

Funding Available

The maximum amount to be awarded is \$3,000 per proposal. Should other sources of funding be applied to, estimates included in the proposal must list such sources and the amounts requested.

