



## **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.

