



Call for Proposals

**Annual Meeting of the Southwest Seminar on Colonial Latin America
Hosted by the John Carter Brown Library
Providence, Rhode Island
November 13 & 14, 2025**

Deadline: June 1, 2025

The [Southwest Seminar on Colonial Latin America](#) invites proposals for 2025 meeting hosted at the [John Carter Brown Library](#) in Providence, Rhode Island on November 13 and 14, 2025. For more than a decade, the Southwest Seminar has brought together scholars of all ranks and a variety of disciplines to share innovative works in progress on the Spanish and Portuguese colonial Americas. To date, more than 100 faculty, researchers, and graduate students have shared sample book chapters, journal articles, dissertation chapters, and other works of original research to a robust community of specialists on colonial Latin America.

The 2025 Meetings: This year's meeting represents a unique opportunity to showcase new research and reflect on approaches to the archive at the JCB Library, a leading institution

dedicated to the early Americas. The first day of the meetings on Thursday, November 13 will be dedicated to a workshop of new research and the second day on Friday, November 14 will focus on plenary discussions about critical approaches to the field. We invite proposals for the first day research workshop. The workshop will serve as welcoming and supportive venues to exchange ideas and to encourage collegiality among colonial Latin Americanists of varied backgrounds and diverse research interests. All topics and periods are open, though we welcome works that highlight new approaches to the archive and historical sources that expand understandings of colonial Latin America.

Proposal and submission: To participate in the 2025 workshop, please send proposals to theSouthwestSeminar@gmail.com by June 1, 2025. We invite proposals in English or Spanish from domestic and international scholars at any career stage. We welcome proposals from all disciplines, including but not limited to anthropology, art history, ethnomusicology, history, languages, and literature. The selected participants will present works-in-progress, including dissertation chapters, articles in development, or pieces of larger works. Invited participants will introduce their respective pre-circulated works-in-progress (no longer than 10,000 words). Submissions should include an **abstract** (no longer than 450 words) and an **abbreviated CV** (no longer than two pages).

About the seminar: The Southwest Seminar is comprised of a community of scholars focused on the interdisciplinary study of colonial Latin America. Officially housed at the University of Arizona, the Southwest Seminar is funded through a consortium of institutions, including the following: University of California, San Diego, Texas Christian University, Texas State University, University of Texas, El Paso, University of Texas, San Antonio, Utah Valley University, John Carter Brown Library at Brown University, and Omohundro Institute for Early American History and Culture at the College of William & Mary. Additional information on the Southwest Seminar can be found at theSouthwestSeminar.org.

For more information, please contact the seminar organizer, R.A. Kashanipour (rykash@arizona.edu).