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The Woodrow Wilson Center – *Washington Post* Fellowship for Latin American Journalists

Call for Applications

The Washington Post and the Woodrow Wilson Center are pleased to announce a pilot program to bring five outstanding professional journalists from Latin America to Washington, D.C. to conduct two weeks of reporting on an issue of importance to their home countries concerning hemispheric relations. The fellowship will work as an immersion program in the political culture of the nation's capital. The selected journalists will have the unique opportunity to develop sources of information, enter into direct contact with public and private institutions and experience *in situ* how Washington operates.

We are issuing a call for applications from journalists in Mexico, Brazil, Colombia and El Salvador. The two-week fellowship includes travel and lodging costs, plus a small stipend for local travel costs. Fellows will be given a desk in the newsroom of *The Washington Post* and access to the newspaper's reporters, editors and research staff. The convening institutions will develop a small number of structured activities during the journalists' stay to give them exposure to newsworthy issues and key actors in the policy community. We expect the fellow's employer to keep him or her on payroll during the period of their fellowship.

Applicants -who must be print or online journalists with a minimum of 4 years experience and a strong working knowledge of English-- should submit a proposal in English describing their reporting project, a résumé, a maximum of three samples of published work and two signed letters of recommendation, at least one from an editor at their newspaper, by March 31, 2008. The proposal should outline a specific set of questions or topics for an article or series of articles that would be researched during the fellowship. A successful proposal would seek to break new ground on issues of local or regional importance in Latin America or in its relationship with the U.S. A goal is to produce completed works for publication in the fellow's media and in their native language and on washingtonpost.com. Application material, with the full name, phone numbers, e-mails and current position of the applicant, should be sent to: doliaestevez@cox.net The signed letters of recommendation can be emailed to the same address or the address below by no later than March 31. A selection committee, drawn from the leadership of the convening institutions and external experts, will select the most gualified applicants. A phone interview will be conducted in English with the finalists. The five fellows selected will be announced the first week of May. The fellowship will extend from June 15 to June 28, 2008.

Any questions may be directed to Dolia Estevez, Fellowship Coordinator, at <u>doliaestevez@cox.net</u>.

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