CLACSO
Latin American Council of Social Sciences
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The Largest Global Network of Social Science and the Humanities with a Latin American and Caribbean Perspective
CLACSO is an international nongovernmental institution, associated with UNESCO and created in 1967.

At present, CLACSO has 718 research and postgraduate centers in the field of social science and the humanities, in 52 nations of South America and other continents.

OBJECTIVES

- To promote social research to combat poverty and inequality, and to strengthen human rights and democratic participation.
- To contribute, through academic research and critical thinking, to the promotion of policies of sustainable development in economic, social, and environmental terms.
- To build bridges between social research and public policies, encouraging innovative, creative, and viable actions to face the major social, educational, cultural, and environmental challenges of Latin America and the Caribbean.
- To support the formation of networks of researchers and institutions in social science and the humanities.
- To strengthen the processes of academic internationalization in Latin America and the Caribbean.
- To broaden South-South and North-South cooperation and academic dialog.
- To stimulate the development and consolidation of social science and critical thinking in the poorest nations of Latin America and the Caribbean.
- To intervene in the national and regional public debate, contributing the perspectives and results of social research based on results.
- To train government agents, social activists, and media professionals in social, educational, cultural, and environmental topics, introducing them to problems addressed in social science and the evidence that social research contributes.
- To promote open access to the academic production of Latin America and the Caribbean, democratizing knowledge and facilitating its use by diverse political and social actors.


- 1,188 activities and meetings of the Working Groups
- 1,027 research scholarship recipients selected from more than 7,000 applicants in 50 scholarship calls
- 7 specializations and 14 higher diplomas, in virtual form
- 1,100 audiovisual productions produced by CLACSO.tv
- 16,483,500 minutes of views on the YouTube channel of CLACSO.tv
- 21,000,000 downloads from the virtual library, containing 500,000 documents of open access
- 50 institutional alliances with regional and international organizations (UNESCO, FAO, OXFAM, OAS, Rosa Luxemburg Foundation, FORD Foundation, CLATE, and others).
- 21,700 students participating in training courses taught by 1,312 professors
- 10,510 students who received educational scholarships
- More than 200 coloquiums and forums held throughout the world
- 618 publications edited for open and free access
- 28 international graduate schools organized in 18 nations
- 789 masters and doctoral programs in the Postgraduate Network
- 415,200 followers on social networks (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube)
- 2,521 articles in the press of 31 nations
WORKING GROUPS

Redes interdisciplinarias de investigación reunidas a partir de un problema en común

90 Grupos de Trabajo conformados por más de 4,500 investigadores e investigadoras de 55 países organizados en 30 campos temáticos de las ciencias sociales y las humanidades.

- Art, culture and networks
- Common goods and open access
- Climate change, environment
- and society
- Social sciences and scientific politics
- Communication and power
- Sports and society
- Human rights and memory politics
- Rural development
- Inequalities and poverty
- Economy and development politics
- Epistemologies of the South
- State and public politics
- Studies about the United States
- Feminisms and gender politics
- Lefts and rights
- Justice and law studies
- Youths and childhoods
- Migration and human mobility
- Social movements
- Integration, cooperation and multilateralism politics
- Education politics and right to education
- Politics, subjectivities and citizenships
- Indigenous peoples
- Racism and afrohnitivities
- Religions and politics
- Public and collective health
- Global south
- Social Theory
- Work and work relationships
- Violences and city safety

SOUTH-SOUTH PROGRAM

This program is a space of tri-continental collaboration in which CLACSO gave viability to research projects, training, and publications with the Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA), International Development Economics Associates (IDEAS), and the Arab Council for the Social Sciences (ACSS), as well as other institutions.

514 researchers and professionals and more than 1,000 students from 37 nations.

POSTGRADUATE NETWORK

- To encourage a culture of academic and institutional cooperation among graduate programs in the network, promoting teaching proposals based on collaborative work.
- To consolidate a training agenda that develops knowledge with impact on the agenda of public policies and social movements.
- To guarantee real opportunities in high-quality graduate training for the entire region, with special emphasis on countries where the field of social science is less developed.
- To diversify theoretical, thematic, and methodological focuses, providing visibility and strengthening the lines of work of the graduate programs and CLACSO Working Groups.
- To generate knowledge about universities and publish the results of the researchers and graduate programs at member centers.

1312 teachers from 324 member centers contributed with 223 virtual and presental training proposals, in which 21,700 students participated.

EVALUATION OF SCIENTIFIC PRODUCTION AND TEACHING IN SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES

- Latin American System for University Evaluation (SILEU-CLACSO).
- Founder and promoter of the alliance for Open Access in Latin America and the Global South
- Member of the Advisory Board of the San Francisco Declaration on Research Assessment (DORA).
- Driving the use of open access indicators in evaluation processes (CLACSO+UNESCO+SCIELO+REDAyC).

OPEN ACCESS AND KNOWLEDGE DISSEMINATION

- 3,000 books from the CLACSO network in complete form.
- 108,000 complete texts from the CLACSO network (articles, books, reports, documents).
- 950 Latin American journals from social science and the humanities (394,000 articles).

PROMOTION OF RESEARCH

(Scholarships and calls)

- To strengthen research on high-priority topics of the regional and global agenda, especially in nations with less relative development in social science and the humanities.
- To articulate the exchange of views and experiences among researchers, the agents of public policy, and social activists, through participation in scientific and social events of regional and international scope.
- To promote academic excellence in the field of social science and the humanities.
- To support, through incentives and individual direction, the training of new generations of researchers.
- To encourage the transfer of research abilities to decision-makers in public policy and social movements.

50 calls | More than 7,700 applications from 66 nations

COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

The area's work is oriented to presenting the activities, opinions, publications, and projects of CLACSO by means of various platforms, tools, and formats, including articles, social networks, CLACSO TV, and CLACSO Radio.

- + than 56,000 followers
- + than 313,000 followers
- + than 57,000 followers
- Reproduction in minutes: + than 18,000,000
- Views: + than 1,800,000
- Subscribers: + than 24,000

+ than 2,000 audiovisual productions from CLACSO TV
WORKING GROUPS
90 Working Groups made up by 4,500 researchers from 55 countries organized in 30 thematic fields of social sciences and humanities.

POSTGRADUATE NETWORK IN SOCIAL SCIENCES
Actions in virtual training, schools, and initiatives of academic cooperation in more than 700 graduate programs (master’s and doctoral). Promotion of strategies of cooperation between graduate training and the development of public policies.

PROGRAM OF SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION
Actions of cooperation and exchange among academic institutions of the global south.

PROGRAM TO PROMOTE RESEARCH
Activities of collaborative research and the training of researchers.

VIRTUAL LIBRARY, COLLECTION OF LATIN AMERICAN ACADEMIC JOURNALS, AND PROMOTIONAL CAMPAIGN FOR OPEN ACCESS
One of the world’s largest virtual libraries in social science and the humanities, with more than 2 million downloads per month.
Supportive actions for the promotion of institutional and government policies in the field of open access to scientific knowledge.

LATIN AMERICAN SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICIES
Activities to develop institutional abilities in the promotion of democratic public policies.

EDITORIAL PRODUCTION
Production of books, magazines, papers, documents, and policy briefs. A well-stocked Virtual Bookstore permits online purchases as well as open access to all of CLACSO’s production and that of its associated institutions.

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LATIN AMERICAN SYSTEM OF UNIVERSITY EVALUATION
Platform of academic and institutional evaluation of graduate programs and university centers.