The Stone Center for Latin American Studies invites students interested in communication, media and Brazilian studies to participate in a summer program in Brazil during the summer of 2010.

The program will be in Rio de Janeiro, a cidade maravilhosa (the marvelous city), an exciting center for the arts, theater, music, exhibitions, street performances, and cultural debates. From 1763 to 1960, Rio was consecutively the capital of the colony, the empire, and the republic of Brazil. Today cariocas enjoy their colonial and nineteenth-century architectural heritage as well as their impressive museums, libraries, and historical archives. With its vibrant cultural life, famous beaches, gorgeous bay, and wonderful climate, Rio de Janeiro provides students with the ideal atmosphere for a full final immersion into Brazilian culture.

Senior Associate Provost Ana López, who is also the director of the Cuban and Caribbean Studies Institute, will lead the program. A faculty member in the Communication department, Prof. López’s research focuses on Latin American film and popular culture. Participating students will have a unique opportunity to observe and study Brazilian culture, history, and society, with a particular emphasis on media and communication. Guest lectures by local specialists in conjunction with field trips will enhance the courses offered.

The Curriculum
All students will enroll in two courses, Brazilian Culture and Society (LAST 313) and Intercultural Analysis (COMM 314) for a total of six credits. The first course will explore the history, culture, society and economy of Brazil. The second course examines how identities mediate communication both within and among cultures, in historical and daily contexts, and paying particular attention to the social power dynamics that influence intercultural communication. As a special focus, the course will take up case studies from various cultural spaces in the Americas and will investigate sites of intercultural communication in your own study-abroad experience. Please note: Tulane University students will not need to transfer their credits after the program is completed; all credits will be earned as Tulane credits.

Costs and Application
The cost of the three-week program is $3,700 for early application and $3,900 for regular application. It includes:

- 6 Tulane University undergraduate credits
- Hotel stays, daily breakfasts and some meals
- Medical insurance
- Field trips and events

Knowledge of Portuguese is not required. Applying students must be in good academic standing and have at least a current cumulative grade point average of 2.5. The application requires two letters of recommendation and a transcript. Please note that non-Tulane students are also welcome to apply to this program.

Complete applications (including application form, current transcript, and two letters of recommendation) and a $200 non-refundable deposit are due no later than 5:00 p.m. on February 25, 2010 for an early application or by 5:00 p.m. on March 25, 2010 for the regular application in the Stone Center for Latin American Studies (Jones Hall, Tulane University). The balance of the program costs ($3,500 for those who applied early and $3,700 for the regular application) is due upon acceptance into the program. The final payment may be made by MasterCard, Visa, check, or money order. Checks should be made payable to Tulane University and submitted directly to Natalia Porto at the Stone Center of Latin American Studies. Note that airfare is not included in the official program costs.
Tulane students seeking loans to cover costs of this program should make early, specific arrangements with the Financial Aid Office, being sure to indicate that they are seeking a loan for a SUMMER PROGRAM. All students who will be receiving Financial Aid are still individually responsible for submitting the full payment directly to Natalia Porto at the Stone Center; the indication of an available balance in a student’s Accounts Receivable balance will not be sufficient. (You can now cover part of your cost through a TULASO Scholarship for Summer Programs. Check the details on our website!)

Additional pre-printed applications are available at the Stone Center for Latin American Studies office in 100 Jones Hall. Or download electronic applications by visiting http://stonecenter.tulane.edu/pages/detail/104/Summer-Programs-2010 or request one via email by contacting nporto@tulane.edu.

**Flight**
The price of the program does not include airfare; all students must make their own travel arrangements.

**Passport and Visa**
The Stone Center for Latin American Studies requires all students to possess a valid passport in order to participate in this program. For information on applying for a passport (U.S. citizens), please visit the U.S. State Department web site at http://travel.state.gov/.

American citizens are required to obtain a visa for travel to Brazil directly from one of the eight Brazilian Consulates in the U.S. To check for your jurisdiction, see http://www.brasilemb.org. Visa application forms can be downloaded from each of consulate’s web sites. Please note that you should apply for a tourist visa and indicate in the Comments section “university sponsored trip.” The cost for a Brazilian tourist visa is currently $130.00, but subject to change.

For more information, please contact:
Natalia Porto
Stone Center for Latin American Studies
Tulane University, New Orleans, LA 70118-5698
504-862-8629 / EMAIL: nporto@tulane.edu
or Visit International Programs at http://stonecenter.tulane.edu/
APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

to the Tulane Summer in Brazil 2010 Program
May 30th - June 19th, 2010

A. All application materials must be submitted directly to the following address no later than 5:00 p.m. on February 25, 2010 for an early application or by 5:00 p.m. on March 25, 2010 for the regular application.

Stone Center for Latin American Studies
Jones Hall, Tulane University
New Orleans, LA 70118
TEL 504 862-8629
FAX 504 862-8678
EMAIL nporto@tulane.edu

B. Please review the checklist before submitting your application for the program and sign the following:

Enclosed are the following documents:

_____ Completed Application Form (including Statement of Purpose)
_____ Recommendation Forms (2 needed - Can be emailed to nporto@tulane.edu)
_____ Current Official Academic Transcript
_____ Application Fee of $200 (check or money order payable to Tulane University)

I understand that it is my responsibility to ensure the delivery of any documents missing at the current time in order for my application to be considered. I also understand that application fee of $200 is non-refundable. I understand that I must pay the program balance upon acceptance into the program.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE: __________________________________________________________
PRINT NAME: ________________________________________________________________
DATE: ________________________________________________________________________
APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION
To the Tulane Summer in Brazil 2010 Program
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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name (last, first): ______________________________________________________________
Social Security Number: ___________________________ Date of Birth: ________________
Passport Number: _________________________ Passport Expiration Date: _____________
Issuing Country of Passport: ____________________________________________________

Current Mailing Address: ______________________________________________________
City: _______ State: ___________ Zip: ___________________
Current Phone Number: _____________________________ Valid Until: ________________
Current Email Address: _____________________________ Valid Until: ________________

Parent/Guardian Name: ________________________________________________________
Mailing Address: ______________________________________________________________
City: _________________________________   State: _________   Zip: __________________
Phone Number: _________________________  Email: __________________________

If your parent/guardian is a Tulane employee, will you be paying for the program through the
Tulane Tuition Waiver Program? Not applicable Yes No

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

If you are a Tulane student, which school are you in? ______________________________
If not a Tulane student, which university do you attend? ______________________________

What is your cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) as of the Fall 2009 semester? _____
(if you are not on a 4.0 scale, please provide an explanation of the system at your school)
What is (are) your major(s)? __________________________________________
What is (are) your minor(s)? __________________________________________
What year are you? When do you expect to graduate? ____________________________
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(cont.)

Have you previously studied Spanish/Portuguese? yes no
If yes, please elaborate on number of language courses taken and at which level.
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Have you previously participated in a study abroad program? yes no
If yes, please identify the program name, country, and date of participation
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______________________________________________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________________

How did you hear about our program?
______________________________________________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________________

Please provide the names of the two people submitting letters of recommendation:
1._______________________________________________
2._______________________________________________
Statement of Purpose:
Please describe, in one paragraph, why you are applying to this program. Be sure to include your interests in the topics presented in the course work: Communication, Media, Brazilian Studies, Latin American Studies, etc. . . .
RECOMMENDATION FOR ADMISSION

to the Tulane Summer in Brazil 2010 Program

STUDENT APPLICANT: This form must be completed by the person recommending you for this program. Please write your name in the space provided below before giving this form to the person filling it out. The completed form should be placed in a sealed envelope and delivered together with your application or you can ask your recommender to send it directly to Natalia Porto at the Stone Center by February 25, 2010 for an early application and March 25, 2010 for the regular application.

Student Name: _____________________________________________________

REFERENCE PERSON: Please place the completed form in an envelope, sign it across the seal and return either to the applicant or to Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Jones Hall, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA 70118. If you are Tulane Faculty and Staff, you can email your recommendation for admission to Natalia Porto at nporto@tulane.edu. (This recommendation will remain confidential and will be used by the program staff only in its procedures relative to admission to the Tulane Summer in Brazil program).

Please address the following:

• How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?
• What are the applicant’s qualifications for this particular program?
• Please comment on attributes such as motivation, adaptability, intellect, and maturity.
• If possible, please comment on applicant’s scholarship and preparation in Communication, Media, Brazilian Studies, Latin American Studies, etc.
• Please sign and date the form.
• Please give your full name and title/position.

Please feel free to use the space provided, attach your comments to this form, or send via email to nporto@tulane.edu.
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Applicant’s Last Name: ____________________________