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UF and MDC Sponsor Panel on Presidential Elections in Nicaragua and Argentina

Gainesville, October 10, 2011 – The Center for Latin American Studies at the University of Florida in collaboration with The Center for Latin American and Caribbean Initiatives (CLACI) at Miami Dade College (MDC), will host Electoral Politics: Nicaragua and Argentina in the Context of their Presidential Elections on Thursday, Oct. 27, at 11 a.m. at the College’s InterAmerican Campus located at 627 S.W 27th Ave. Miami, FL.

This panel will look at the recent electoral processes in Argentina and Nicaragua with a special focus on the presidential elections. The program will review the countries’ main national coalitions, incumbent politics, as well as opposition politics. The panelists will assess what the outcome of these countries’ elections will mean for domestic politics as well as their diplomatic links with Latin America and the United States.

CLACI’s Executive Director, Carlos Barrezueta, will moderate the panel and make concluding remarks. The panel will include MDC Assistant Professor of History, Jose Aragón, as well as guest panelists Philip Williams, Political Science professor and director of the Center for Latin American Studies at the University of Florida and Ana Margheritis, assistant professor of International Relations and Latin American Studies at University of Florida.

Founded in 1930, the mission of the UF Center for Latin American Studies is to advance knowledge about Latin America and the Caribbean and its peoples throughout the hemisphere. With over 170 faculty from colleges across UF, the Center is one of the largest institutions for interdisciplinary research, teaching and outreach on Latin America, Caribbean, and Latino Studies.

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WHEN: Thursday, Oct. 27, at 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

WHERE: MDC InterAmerican Campus
627 S.W. 27 Ave. Room 401
Miami, FL