

- Two-week program
- 50 students
- 10 professors
- 4 parallel seminars
- 2 keynote addresses
- 7 plenary lectures
- Student presentations
- Evening film series
- Excursion to Graz
- Accreditation via ECTS-credits

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 27<sup>TH</sup> 2009**

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## **INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL 2009** **“Nuestra América”:** **(Re)approaching the Americas**



**JULY 12<sup>TH</sup> TO JULY 26<sup>TH</sup> 2009**  
**SEGGAU CASTLE, LEIBNITZ - AUSTRIA**

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## “Nuestra América”: (Re)approaching the Americas

*In 1892, Cuban poet and freedom fighter José Martí published his now famous “Nuestra América” [“Our America”] as a call for solidarity among the fledgling nations of Latin America in the face of Europe’s colonial past in the region and the United States’ imperial present and future. Over a century later, how have or haven’t American relations changed? Can we talk of Latin America – a regional marker which includes nations as disparate as Mexico and Argentina and as dissimilar as Guatemala and Brazil? What is North America? Does it include Canada, the United States, and Mexico? Is it code for English-speaking America, or does it merely function as a non-national way to refer to the United States? And what of the term America itself? When does it include Canada, Ecuador, Haiti, or Chile, and when does it signify the United States?*

*The tendency to equate America with the United States and the current practices of Latin Americanists, Canadianists, Caribbeanists, and U.S.-Americanists to study their disciplines in national and regional vacuums can be just as parochial as the “prideful villager” whom Martí chastises for believing that “his hometown contains the whole world.” We invite you to participate with us as we continue to shift the American dialogue from nation and region to hemisphere, from America to Americas.*

### ORGANIZATION

The summer school is an Utrecht Network initiative. It will be hosted by the University of Graz, run by the University’s Center for the Study of the Americas (C.SAS) in cooperation with the Vice Rectorate for International Relations, and staffed by professors from Europe and the Americas.

### LECTURES & SEMINARS

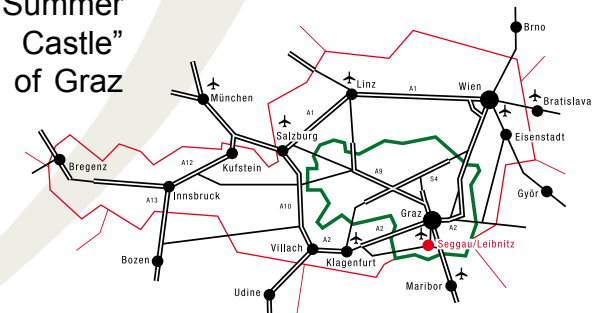
Two keynote addresses and seven plenary lectures will be offered for all students. Afternoon seminars will be organized according to the following fields:

- (1) Film and Visual Arts
- (2) Literature
- (3) Politics, Law and Security
- (4) Environment, Urban & Regional Development



### VENUE / SEGGAU CASTLE

The venue of the Summer School is “Seggau Castle” located 45 km south of Graz (<http://seggau.com>).



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**MORE INFORMATION ONLINE SOON:**

<http://www.uni-graz.at/csas>

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