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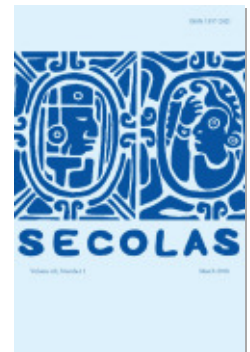
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Celebrating our Sixty-Fourth Annual Meeting, the Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies convened March 23–26, 2017 on the beautiful campuses of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Duke University. Hosted by the Consortium in Latin American and Caribbean Studies shared by these two institutions, the conference featured a theme of “Between Revolution and Rapprochement in the Americas.” Program chairs Jaclyn Sumner (Presbyterian College) and José Manuel Batista (UNC Charlotte) put together panels in the areas of History & Social Sciences and Literature & Humanities, respectively. Following the SECOLAS Awards Banquet in the Chancellor’s Ballroom at the Carolina Inn on the UNC-Chapel Hill campus, Dr. John Charles Chasteen delivered a keynote address that explored the challenges and rewards of the art of translation and fascinated scholars of history, literature, and all disciplines.

This volume features some of the best papers from the conference in article format. Twenty-nine of the 192 presenters at the conference submitted revised versions of their papers for publication. Following editorial and peer review and another round of revisions, the eight articles published in these pages represent a range of disciplines, including cultural studies, art history, literature, history, and political science. We are happy to present these articles, and we are grateful for the help provided in this endeavor by our graduate assistant, Leah Walton, and our colleagues at Wiley, especially Martha Lovvoll.

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