



CONSORTIUM FOR ADVANCED STUDIES ABROAD
Divisional Center in Havana, Cuba
VISITING FACULTY FELLOWSHIP
APPLICATION FOR 2026-27 ACADEMIC YEAR

The Consortium for Advanced Studies Abroad (CASA) offers a full-immersion semester/academic year study abroad program in Havana, Cuba for students with advanced language proficiency in Spanish. The Consortium comprises Brown University, Columbia University, Cornell University, Dartmouth College, Georgetown University, Harvard University, Johns Hopkins University, Northwestern University, The University of Melbourne, The University of Pennsylvania, Trinity College Dublin, and Vanderbilt University. CASA associate member institutions are Amherst College, Barnard College, Grinnell College, and Swarthmore College.

[CASA Cuba](#) is designed for highly motivated students interested in a wide range of disciplines who wish to immerse themselves in the political, social, cultural and economic context of modern-day Cuba. The CASA Cuba program maintains an academic presence at the Galeria Haydee Santamaria (The “Gallery”) through its collaboration with Casa de las Americas. Students take a combination of courses taught at the Galeria and at the University of Havana. All courses are taught in Spanish.

The Consortium for Advanced Studies Abroad (CASA) encourages faculty from its member and associate member institutions to apply for a Faculty-in-Residence fellowship position, wherein the professor will be present onsite in Cuba for **one month** during the Spring 27 semester (typically Feb 1 to mid-May; exact dates TBD) and be engaged in local academic activities of relevance to Cuba’s **historical, cultural, artistic, political, economic or social context**. Eligible candidates must demonstrate:

- Familiarity with CASA’s academic mission and values;
- Interest in advancing study abroad and the internationalization of higher education;
- Willingness to engage with CASA students, staff and faculty in Cuban context;
- Expertise in a subject matter relevant to the Cuban context and CASA Cuba curriculum;
- Fluency in Spanish;
- Familiarity and comfortable with living and working in the Cuban context, including complying with associated OFAC rules and regulations.

Preferential consideration will be given to applications from faculty at CASA Cuba Divisional Member institutions who have not previously applied.

Residential Terms: The successful candidate will be required to obtain an academic visa, sponsored by our Cuban host institution, La Casa de las Americas. CASA Cuba will provide Visiting Faculty a desk space and wifi at the gallery, access to Cuban health insurance, and assistance with finding adequate housing within walking distance of the CASA Gallery.

Fellowship Duties: The Visiting Faculty will be expected to offer a (hybrid) public talk both at the CASA Gallery / Casa de las Americas and the University of Havana on a subject of their current

research/writing project, and will offer one internal workshop to a selected audience that is of benefit to the Cuban academic community working in the same area of expertise as the candidate. The candidate should also be available to advise and meet with students participating in the CASA Cuba program, and provide a written report (or other substantive creative deliverable) that may be used to document and promote CASA academic activities in Cuba to prospective students, faculty and partners. All activities are to be held in Spanish. The candidate is invited to participate in the CASA Center academic activities during their visit. Upon completion of the fellowship we ask for a brief (internal) report and a brief sequence that we can post on our website and annual report.

Compensation: As part of the month-long visit, CASA will provide:

- the cost of round-trip economy airfare for the faculty member;
- suitable furnished housing within walking distance of the CASA Cuba in Havana;
- Cuban health insurance;
- Wifi at Gallery and a Cuban sim card for data service on cell phone
- financial support for the planned public activities (honorarium for potential Cuban speakers involved, local transportation, coffee-service etc.)

Individuals interested in applying for the Faculty-in-Residence position for one month should submit an application to the Asabe Poloma, Chair, CASA Cuba Divisional Executive Committee at globalbrown@brown.edu, by **February 1, 2026**. The application should include:

- Letter of interest (indicating the subject they will be working and presenting on while in Cuba, and which month they would be available in Spring 2027; familiarity with CASA's mission; commitment to advancing study abroad and internationalization in higher education; and, willingness to engage with students, staff and partners in the CASA Cuba program).
- The written and signed consent of their head of department or appropriate dean of the professor's respective home university on institutional letterhead.
- Curriculum Vitae and 400-word description of proposed subject matter while in Cuba.

Applications shall be reviewed by the CASA-Cuba Divisional Executive Committee, which shall make its recommendation for selection to the CASA Board of Directors by **March 1, 2026**.