

CHASS's Nora Haenn awarded Fulbright

Nora Haenn in the Dept. of Sociology and Anthropology received a Fulbright CIES to undertake research in Mexico. In collaboration with Mexican colleagues at the El Colegio de la Frontera Sur or ECOSUR, she will be examining the effects of international migration on sending communities located in the country's rural and tropical south, a region that only joined the international migration phenomenon in recent times.

Because most migrants are men who leave behind wives and children, she will consider how women take on the management of household affairs in the absence of their husbands. Her research with farm families will document how they spend remittances and whether these expenditures entail investments in new kinds of land use that change tropical ecologies.

Finally, she will also consider how local governments plan for the social and economic changes that accompany migration.

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