

ALAS



Association of Latina Alumnae of Smith

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Mission Statement:

The Association of Latina Alumnae of Smith (ALAS) works to create community among Latina alumnae and Smith College.

ALAS works collaboratively with the Alumnae Association of Smith College (AASC) and alumnae across the world to establish an organization that is strong, responsive to the changing needs of alumnae and creative in our approaches. We are flexible, vibrant and embrace the diversity of our alumnae and ever-changing world.

Women of Color Graduation Tea

By Ashley Zurc Pereira '07

As alums of Smith College, we know that graduation events don't stop after Ivy Day: they just get started. ALAS took part in the ongoing festivities by participating in the Women of Color Tea on Saturday, May 14. We were there to pass out roses and show our support to the graduating class of 2011, which included five members of Nosotras.



From Left: Lucha Rodriguez-Gonzalez '11, Tatiana Acevedo '11, Iris Gonzalez '11



Mother & Daughter Smithies!

Heidi Novaes '88 was at the Women of Color Tea to support her daughter, Anna Novaes '11!

Earlier in the month, Lucha Rodriguez Gonzalez '11, Nosotras' President, reached out to ALAS, because Nosotras needed a little help in purchasing their Nosotras graduation stoles. After so many successful events, which included raising money for a Mother's Wish in the Dominican Republic and LEDA Scholars in NYC, and sponsoring events celebrating our Latino culture like the Taste of Latin America, a campus favorite, ALAS absolutely wanted to help. So many ALAS members offered their support and the graduating seniors of Nosotras were able to proudly wear a stole symbolizing their Latinidad.



Congratulations Lucha Rodriguez-Gonzalez '11 & Iris Gonzalez '11

The current board of ALAS will turn over in July 2011. ALAS is searching for its future leaders. Please consider volunteering for a leadership role in the upcoming board. Elections will be held in June 2011. If you are interested in a position, or know of an interesting candidate, please submit your information to Normamegoza@hotmail.com.

The positions that are still open include: Treasurer, Membership Chair, Communications Chair, Networking Chairs. For descriptions of the positions, please visit our website at <http://alumnae.smith.edu/smithcms/alas/>

We look forward to hearing from you!



Website: <http://alumnae.smith.edu/smithcms/alas/>

Email: AlasAlumnae@live.com

ALAS Membership Form and Survey (Membership year is July 1-June 30)

Please update your information:

Name	Class Year	
Address		
Home #:	Work: #:	Cell #:
Email:		

Membership Dues:

Class of 2011	Free
Basic membership	\$25
General Support	

Checks should be made payable to the:

Alumnae Association of Smith College
c/o Norma A. Melgoza
1007 W. Armitage, 2F
Chicago, IL 60614
Attention: ALAS Dues

I would like to make this contribution to the Smith College Women of Color Emergency Fund. **Please make your check payable to Smith College and indicate that it is for the Women of Color Emergency Fund.**

Total Enclosed: \$ _____.

Please indicate your interest in attending or helping to organize either locally or regionally, the following group functions or events:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ALAS Big Sister Program/Mentoring Program | <input type="checkbox"/> Career Panel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Admissions Interviews/Recruiting | <input type="checkbox"/> Book Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Women and Financial Independence Seminar | <input type="checkbox"/> Hosting an Event |

Would you be interested in Career Networking breakfasts/roundtables? ___Y ___N

Would you be interested in a Working Mothers/Balancing Family and Career Support Group? ___Y ___N

Would you be willing to be contacted for informational interviews? ___Y ___N

What kind of programs and events would be most appealing and/or helpful to you?

Suggestions:

Email: ALASAlumnae@Live.com