SIGLO XXI: LATINO RESEARCH INTO THE 21ST CENTURY

January 27 – 29, 2005
Doubletree Guest Suites Hotel
Austin, Texas
Dear Colleagues:

The Inter-University Program for Latino Research (IUPLR) headquartered at the University of Notre Dame in collaboration with the Center for Mexican American Studies at The University of Texas at Austin enthusiastically welcomes you to the IUPLR inaugural triennial conference entitled, Siglo XXI: Latino Research into the 21st Century. IUPLR is a consortium comprised of 18 Latino research centers and institutes located at universities throughout the country. The aim of the conference is to encourage and share the scholarship generated by researchers at IUPLR institutions. Eighty-six scholars from universities throughout the country are scheduled to participate in this conference, and will present significant research findings in the areas of Latino health, education, politics, and culture.

The conference features a plenary session, the IUPLR Distinguished Lecture, and a keynote address. The speakers for the plenary session will be Edwin Hernández, Director of the Center for the Study of Latino Religion at the University of Notre Dame; Dr. Harry P. Pachon, President of the Tomás Rivera Policy Institute at the University of Southern California; Roberto Suro, President of the Pew Hispanic Center in Washington; and Vibiana Andrade, J.D., Vice President of Public Policy at the Los Angeles branch of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund. Albert M. Camarillo, professor of History at Stanford University, will deliver the IUPLR Distinguished Lecture titled, Minority - Majority Cities: Latinos and Blacks in Contemporary Urban America – The Case of Compton and South Central Los Angeles. Rev. Virgilio Elizondo, Distinguished Professor of Theology at the University of Notre Dame will deliver the keynote address. Sheldon Ekland-Olson, Executive Vice President & Provost at The University of Texas at Austin, will provide welcome remarks for the conference.

We would like to acknowledge and thank the IUPLR Planning Committee comprised of Adela de la Torre, University of California-Davis; Félix Matos-Rodríguez, Hunter College-CUNY; Ramona Hernández, City College of New York; and Estevan Flores, University of Colorado, Denver, for assisting us in the planning of this conference. We would also like to extend our most sincere appreciation to María Elena Bessignano (IUPLR), Dolores García and the staff of the Center for Mexican American Studies for all their work in the planning and coordination of this scholarly assembly.

If you would like more information about either IUPLR or CMAS, please visit their respective web sites at www.nd.edu/~iuplr/ or http://www.utexas.edu/depts/cmas. Thank you for your interest and participation in Siglo XXI: Latino Research into the 21st Century.

Regards,

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Gilberto Cárdenas
IUPLR Executive Director
Thursday, January 27, 2005
1:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.
PLENARY SESSION: The Latino 21st Century in the U.S.

Edwin Hernández
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Friday, January 28, 2005
12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
LUNCHEON: IUPLR Distinguished Lecture
Minority-Majority Cities: Latinos and Blacks in Contemporary Urban America-The Case of Compton and South Central Los Angeles

Albert M. Camarillo
Miriam and Peter Haas Centennial Professor in Public Service
Department of History
Stanford University

Saturday, January 29, 2005
12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
LUNCHEON: IUPLR Keynote Address
Mestizaje and Religion in the 21st Century

Virgilio P. Elizondo
Distinguished Professor of Theology
University of Notre Dame

Thursday, January 27, 2005
12:45 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.
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SIGLO XXI: LATINO RESEARCH INTO THE 21ST CENTURY
The Inter-University Program for Latino Research (IUPLR)
Inaugural Triennial Conference Schedule
January 27 – 29, 2005

AGENDA

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 2005

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
DOUBLETREE LOBBY AREA, 1st Floor
REGISTRATION

12:30 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.
BLUEBONNET I & II, 1st Floor
WELCOME REMARKS
Sheldon Ekland-Olson, Executive Vice President & Provost
The University of Texas, Austin
Introduction: José E. Limón, The University of Texas, Austin

12:45 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.
BLUEBONNET I & II, 1st Floor
IUPLR CURRENT STATE OF AFFAIRS AND FUTURE DIRECTION
Gilberto Cárdenas, University of Notre Dame
Introduction: José E. Limón, The University of Texas, Austin
TRIBUTE TO ISRAEL CUÉLLAR
Presented by: Adela de la Torre, University of California, Davis

1:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.
BLUEBONNET I & II, 1st Floor
PLENARY SESSION: The Latino 21st Century in the U.S.
Moderator: Gilberto Cárdenas, University of Notre Dame
Presenters:
Edwin Hernández, Ph.D., Director, Center for the Study of Latino Religion,
University of Notre Dame
Ricardo Ainslie, The University of Texas, Austin
Lorna Rivera and Raúl Ybarra, University of Massachusetts, Boston
Peter C. Haney, The University of Texas, Austin

2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
AUSTIN SUITE, 2nd Floor
BREAK

3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
CONCURRENT SESSIONS

3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
HOUSTON I, 2nd Floor
SESSION 1: Latino Discourses of Latinidad
Moderator: Ricardo Ainslie, The University of Texas, Austin
Discussant: Maggie Rivas-Rodriguez, The University of Texas, Austin
Panelists:
René Galindo, University of Colorado, Denver
Racism, Multiculturalism, and Nativism: The Mixing of Discourses in Press Media
Reactions to Anti-Immigrant Statements
Lorna Rivera and Raúl Ybarra, University of Massachusetts, Boston
Creating Alternative Discourses in the Education of Latinos and Latinas
Ricardo Ainslie, The University of Texas, Austin
Looking North: Mexican Images of Immigration
Peter C. Haney, The University of Texas, Austin
From Reverie to Relajo: Memory, Mediation, and Power in the Production of a
Mexican American Autobiography

Harry P. Pachon, Ph.D., President, The Tomás Rivera Policy Institute, University
of Southern California
Vibiana Andrade, J.D., Vice President of Public Policy, Mexican American Legal
Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF), Los Angeles, CA

SIGLO XXI
3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
HOUSTON II, 2nd Floor
SESSION 2: American Education: Problems and Perspectives
Moderator: Pedro Pedraza, Hunter College, City University of New York
Discussant: Rebecca Callahan, The University of Texas, Austin
Panelists:
José Cuello, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI
The Role of Community Action in Preserving Chicano-Boricua Studies Within a Difficult Institutional Environment at Wayne State University, 1971-2004 SCHIP Programs
David Montejano, University of California, Berkeley
Top Ten Percent or Affirmative Action?
Timothy Ready, University of Notre Dame
Educational Attainment Among Immigrant and U.S.-Born Latino Residents of Metropolitan Chicago
Martha Zurita and Wei Sun, University of Notre Dame
Finding Equity for Latino Students: Alternative Methods of Funding School Poverty in Illinois

3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
LONGHORN ROOM, 1st Floor
WORKSHOP: Comparative Latinization: Civic and Place Engagement in Four Enclave Neighborhoods in Transition (NSF Project)
Moderator: Damián Fernández, Florida International University, Miami, FL
Panelists:
Dan Arreola, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
Chris Lukinbeal, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ
Patricia Price, Florida International University, Miami, FL
Maria de los Angeles Torres, DePaul University, Chicago, IL
Damián Fernández, Florida International University, Miami, FL

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
BLUEBONNET I & II, 1st Floor
OPENING RECEPTION

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 2005
8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
DOUBLETREE LOBBY AREA, 1st Floor
REGISTRATION

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
AUSTIN SUITE, 2nd Floor
CONTENTIAL BREAKFAST

8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
CONCURRENT SESSIONS

8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
LONGHORN ROOM, 1st Floor
SESSION 3: Ethnic Disparities in Health and Mental Health Among Latina/o Populations
Moderator: Adela de la Torre, University of California, Davis
Discussant: Antonio Estrada, University of Arizona, Tucson
Panelists:
Dharma Cortés, University of Massachusetts, Boston
Science and Practice: Health Literacy in the Context of Language, Culture, and Beliefs
Gerardo M. Gonzalez, California State University, San Marcos
Bilingual Computerized Assessment of Depression and Anxiety: Research on Latino Populations
Adela de la Torre, University of California, Davis
Hispanic Access to Health Services: Identifying Best Practices for Eligibility and Access to Medicaid and SCHIP Programs

8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
BLUEBONNET II, 1st Floor
WORKSHOP: Triumph of Our Communities: Four Decades of Support and Artistic Production by Chicano/Latino Art Organizations
Moderator: Gary D. Keller, Arizona State University
Discussant: Amelia Malagamba, The University of Texas, Austin
WORKSHOP: Triumph of Our Communities: Four Decades of Support and Artistic Production by Chicano/Latino Art Organizations (cont’d)
Panelists:
Gilberto Cárdenas, University of Notre Dame
Chon Noriega, University of California, Los Angeles
Gary D. Keller, Arizona State University

8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
HOUSTON II, 2nd Floor
SESSION 4: Law, Social Justice and Public Policy
Moderator: Richard Valencia, The University of Texas, Austin
Discussant: Gerald Torres, The University of Texas, Austin
Panelists:
Kevin Johnson, University of California, Davis
Hernandez v. Texas: Legacies of Justice and Injustice
Martha Menchaca, The University of Texas, Austin
The Anti-Miscegenation History of the American Southwest, 1837 to 1970: Transforming Racial Ideology into Law
Cecilio Ortíz García, The University of Texas, El Paso
Our Shifting Borders: Changes in Hispanic/Latino Demographic Patterns and its Environmental Justice Implications
Richard Valencia, The University of Texas, Austin
The Mexican American Struggle for Equal Educational Opportunity in Mendez v. Westminster: Helping to Pave the Way for Brown v. Board of Education

12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
BLUEBONNET I & II, 1st Floor
LUNCHEON: IUPLR Distinguished Lecture
Albert Camarillo, Stanford University
Minority-Majority Cities: Latinos and Blacks in Contemporary Urban America-The Case of Compton and South Central Los Angeles
Introduction: José E. Limón, The University of Texas, Austin

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
AUSTIN SUITE, 2nd Floor
BREAK

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
CONCURRENT SESSIONS

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
TRAVIS SUITE, 2nd Floor
SESSION 6: The Politics of Latino Signification
Moderator: Domino R. Pérez, The University of Texas, Austin
Discussant: Ben Olguin, The University of Texas, San Antonio
Panelists:
Juan A. Martínez, Florida International University, Miami, FL
Maria Brito’s Psychological Interiors and the Cuban-American Experience
Patricia L. Price, Florida International University, Miami, FL
Of Bandits and Saints: Jesús Malverde and the Struggle for Place in Sinaloa, Mexico
Domino R. Pérez, The University of Texas, Austin
La Llorona as Fakelore in Popular Culture or the Appropriation and Assimilation of Cultural Property
2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
HOUSTON II, 2nd Floor
SESSION 7: New Social Economic Trends in Latino Communities
Moderator: Ramona Hernández, City College of New York
Discussant: Marie T. Mora, The University of Texas, Pan American
Panelists:
Sung C. Chun, University of Notre Dame
Remittance Behavior, Ethnicity or Acculturation, and Socio-Cultural-Economic Factors: A Case Study of Latinos in the Chicago Metropolitan Areas
John Koval, DePaul University, Chicago, IL & University of Notre Dame
The Hourglass Economy and Mexican Immigrants: Is Economic Parity Possible?
Wei Sun, University of Notre Dame
Hispanics’ Low Pension Coverage and Disenfranchisement from the U.S. Financial System
Ramona Hernández, City University of New York
Living on the Margins of Society: Dominicans in the United States

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
LONGHORN ROOM, 1st Floor
SESSION 8: Reducing Health Disparities Among Latinos
Moderator: Estevan Flores, University of Colorado at Denver & Health Sciences Center
Discussant: Leticia Fernández, The University of Texas at El Paso
Panelists:
Richard Santos, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque
Medicaid Managed Care in New Mexico: Cost Consequences Among Low Income Hispanics
Ester R. Shapiro, University of Massachusetts, Boston
Gender, Culture and Latina Health Promotion: Ecosystemic Models and Participatory Methods Linking Individual Development, Family Transitions, and Social Change
Estevan Flores & Paula Espinoza, University of Colorado at Denver & Health Sciences Center
Creating Cancer Prevention and Control Among Latinos Through a Community Network Approach

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
TOUR: Premeditated: Meditation on Capital Punishment Art Exhibition
Recent Works by Malaquias Montoya
Julia C. Butridge Gallery, Dougherty Arts Center, 1110 Barton Spring
(Transportation will be provided)
RECEPTION
SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 2005

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
DOUBLETREE LOBBY AREA, 1st Floor
REGISTRATION

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
AUSTIN SUITE, 2nd Floor
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
CONCURRENT SESSIONS

8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
HOUSTON I, 2nd Floor
SESSION 10: Children and Families Living in U.S.-Mexico Border Communities
Moderator: Ana Marie Argilagos, Annie Casey Foundation
Discussant: Chad Richardson, The University of Texas, Pan American
Panelists:
Raquel Márquez, The University of Texas, San Antonio
Transborder Interactions and Transnational Processes in a Border Community, Laredo, Texas
Harriett Romo, The University of Texas, San Antonio
The Extended Border: A Case of San Antonio as a Transnational City
Patricia Sánchez, The University of Texas, San Antonio
At Home in Two Places: Second-Generation Mexicanas and Their Lives as Engaged Transnationals
Yolanda C. Padilla, The University of Texas, Austin and
Ana Marie Argilagos, Annie Casey Foundation
Child and Family Well-Being in U.S.-Mexico Border Communities: A Report on the Annie E. Casey Foundation BORDER KID’S COUNT Project

8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
HOUSTON II, 2nd Floor
SESSION 11: The Many Faces of Latino Politics
Moderator: Ramón Borges-Méndez, University of Massachusetts, Boston
Discussant: Rodolfo Rosales, The University of Texas, San Antonio
Panelists:
Guillermo J. Grenier, Florida International University, Miami, FL
“There are Cubans and There are Cubans”: Comparison of Ideological Tendencies of Cuban-Americans by Wave of Arrival in the South Florida Area-- Evidence from the FIU Cuba Poll 2004
Martha Montero-Sieburth, University of Massachusetts, Boston
The Emerging Community Leadership of Mexican National Immigrants in New England
Emilio Zamora, The University of Texas, Austin
Raza Unida Party Women in Texas, 1960-2004; An Exercise in Pedagogy, Research and Historical Interpretation
Ramón Borges-Méndez & Miren Uriarte, University of Massachusetts, Boston
Tales of Latinos in Three Small Cities: Latino Settlement and Incorporation in Lawrence and Holyoke, Massachusetts and in Providence, Rhode Island

12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
BLUEBONNET I & II, 1st Floor
LUNCHEON: IUPLR Keynote Address
Rev. Virgilio Elizondo, Distinguished Professor of Theology
University of Notre Dame
Mestizaje and Religion in the 21st Century

1:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
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2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
CONCURRENT SESSIONS

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
LONGHORN ROOM, 1st Floor
SESSION 12: Economic Implications of the New Latino Demographics
Moderator: Adela de la Torre, University of California, Davis
Discussant: Jorge Chapa, Indiana University
Panelists:
Bárbara Robles, The University of Texas, Austin
Wealth Accumulation and Healthy Communities
Refugio I. Rochín, University of California, Davis
_Latino Workers and the Self-Employed_

Stephen Trejo, The University of Texas, Austin
_Ethnic Choices and the Intergenerational Progress of Mexican Americans_

Adela de la Torre, University of California, Davis
_Educational Placement and Job Placement_

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
HOUSTON II, 2nd Floor
SESSION 13: Texas: Cultural Studies, Mexicans and Modernity, 1915-1941
Moderator: Richard R. Flores, The University of Texas, Austin
Discussant: Michael Soto, Trinity University

Panelists:
John M. González, The University of Texas, Austin
_“This is Our Grand Lone Star State”: Reclaiming Historia Fronteriza in Zamora O’Shea’s El Mesquite_

José E. Limón, The University of Texas, Austin
_Neither Friends, nor Strangers: Mexicans and Anglos in the Literary Making of Texas_

Richard R. Flores, The University of Texas, Austin
_We’re Texas: Modernity and the Occidental Imagination_

Lisa Magana, Arizona State University
_The U.S. Border Patrol and Immigration Policy Implementation_

Sylvia Manzano, The University of Arizona
_Indecent Proposal: The Rise and Success of Arizona Prop 200_

Adrian D. Pantoja, Sara Gershon and Carol Lynn Bower
Arizona State University
_Political Assimilation and Naturalization Among Latino Immigrants_

5:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.
AUSTIN SUITE, 2nd Floor
BREAK

5:15 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
HOUSTON I & II, 2nd Floor
CLOSING SESSION
José E. Limón, Rapporteur

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
HOUSTON I, 2nd Floor
SESSION 14: Immigration Politics and Policy
Moderator: David Leal, The University of Texas, Austin
Discussant: Jerry Polinard, The University of Texas, Pan American

Panelists:
Manny Avalos, Arizona State University, West Campus
_Anti-Immigration Initiatives and the Failure of Latino Mobilization Politics: Proposition 200 in the 2004 Election in Arizona_

Rodolfo Espino and Susan Leieritz, Arizona State University
_The Rhetoric and Reality of Immigration Policy in a Post-9/11 World_

John A. García, University of Arizona
_Transnationalism: Mexican Immigrants, Social Networks, Activities and Cultivating Political Capital_

The _Austin Suite_ has been designated as the conference hospitality room and is located on the 2nd Floor. Refreshments will be provided throughout the conference period. Resistencia Bookstore/casa de Red Salmon Press will have a table set up with conference related books available for purchase.
CONFERENCE LOCATION

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Check-Out: 12:00 NOON

DIRECTIONS

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Start out going East on W. 15th St. toward I-35. Turn Right onto I-35 S. Continue on I-35 S. and turn Left onto Hwy-71/Ben White Blvd. E. Take the ABIA exit. Turn right onto Presidential Blvd. Travel time is approximately 15 minutes (non-traffic). The distance from the airport to the hotel is 7 miles. “Airport Flyer” Bus, Super Shuttle Bus and Taxi Services are available from the hotel.

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

The “Airport Flyer” Bus services the airport for just 50 cents and runs every 40 minutes to Downtown and UT. It stops on the west side of the hotel by the Texas Medical Association Building. It has a bright purple airplane mural bus wrap which makes it easy to spot. For more information, visit www.capmetro.org, or call (512) 474-1200.

The Super Shuttle Bus services the airport to and from the downtown hotels. It runs every five minutes and the cost is approximately $10.00 per person one way, $18.00 round trip. For additional information, please call (512) 258-3826, or check with the hotel’s Concierge.

The Orange dillo is a free service to the University of Texas at Austin Monday-Friday. It runs every 20-30 minutes to 23rd and San Jacinto. See the DoubleTree bellman for schedules and route information.

The “Tour the Town” Museum bus offers service to numerous attractions throughout the downtown area, including the University of Texas at Austin, for 50 cents per stop. It runs every 45 minutes on the weekends, 10-6 on Saturday and 11-6 Sunday. Ask the hotel’s Concierge for a list of designated locations.

Taxi cab service is available in front of the hotel; please see the bellman for assistance. Maximum passengers are four.

SUGGESTED PARKING

Daily Parking Charge: 10.00 underground garage
Valet Parking Charge: 15.00 plus gratuity

DISABILITY ACCESS

In addition to standard handicap parking and ramps, Doubletree Guest Suites Hotel offers numerous accommodations for the disabled. Handicap rooms are available on request, as well as phone boxes for the hearing impaired. Braille is used throughout the hotel.

INTERNET SERVICES

Free internet access is available in the hotel’s Business Center. Limited e-mail access is available in each guest suite free of charge through the TV monitor, or guests may check their e-mail via the hotel lobby computer. Free wireless internet access is available in the 1st floor lobby area, as well as in the dining area. For an additional fee of $9.95 per day, guests may purchase wireless internet access for their suite.
MISSION
Established in 1983, IUPLR is a research consortium fostering new knowledge and greater understanding of the nation’s growing Latino population. It promotes core research on issues of importance to Latino communities and the broader U.S. society. IUPLR works to expand the pool of Latino scholars and leaders, strengthen the capacity of Latino research centers, increase the availability of policy-relevant Latino focused research, and advance the intellectual presence of Latino scholarship.

NETWORK AND AREAS OF RESEARCH
IUPLR is comprised of 450 scholars and faculty associates with expertise in the following disciplines: political science, public policy, public health, law, medicine, clinical psychology, sociology, social policy planning, demographics, urban and regional planning, economics, marketing, management, education, art and art history, cultural studies, anthropology, history, literature, bilingualism, science, immigration, race and ethnicity. These scholars are often invited to serve on task forces, to provide testimony before Congress, and to participate in summits and conferences.

WORKING GROUPS
Through its Working Groups model, IUPLR brings together researchers from different regions, national origins and intellectual perspectives to conduct collaborative research generating comparative data on different Latino nationalities and groups. Currently, IUPLR has four active working groups and they are as follows: (1) Working Group on the Well-Being of Families and Children in the U.S.-Mexico Border Region; (2) Working Group on Latino Politics; (3) Working Group on Latina Theology; and (4) Working Group on Health/Mental Health.

OUTREACH AND DISSEMINATION
IUPLR serves as an information clearinghouse for anyone interested in research on Latinos and helps to increase knowledge of Latino history, culture, socio-economic status, contributions, and needs among the public and policy-making community. IUPLR holds regular research and policy forums to inform policy groups, legislative groups, and government organizations and the media of the latest research findings.

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MISSION
Born out of the activism of the civil rights movement, the Center for Mexican American Studies (CMAS) was established in June 1970, with Professor Américo Paredes as one of its principal founders and first director. The Center aims to serve Texas and the nation as a leader in teaching, research, and publications. The establishment of CMAS represents an institutional recognition of the importance of the Mexican American people in the history, culture, and politics of the United States. CMAS is a unit within the College of Liberal Arts.

DEGREE PROGRAM
Mexican American Studies is an interdisciplinary field designed to enhance our understanding of the Mexican American experience, as well as the broader Latino experience in the U.S. CMAS offers a Bachelor of Arts degree in Ethnic Studies, with a concentration in Mexican American studies. The degree program organizes courses into two concentrations, Cultural Studies and Policy Studies, both of which include a Spanish-language proficiency requirement. In addition, CMAS offers undergraduates a challenging Honors Program in Mexican American Studies with an annual public oolloquium.

DOCTORAL PORTFOLIO
U.T. graduate students can now develop a portfolio in Mexican American studies while completing a doctorate in their chosen field. The doctoral portfolio program of the Center for Mexican American studies provides a rigorous intellectual environment for the exploration of issues critical to Mexican-origin communities throughout the United States. The program brings together graduate students and faculty from all over campus, and fosters cross-disciplinary dialogue, research, and study. General areas of focus include the humanities, the social sciences, communication, education, and the arts.

AFFILIATIONS
• Américo Paredes Middle School Partnership—collaboration to develop educational programs on topics in Mexican American history and culture
• Inter-University Program for Latino Research (IUPLR)—research consortium comprised of 18 Latino research centers that promotes interdisciplinary scholarship
• Latino USA—an English-language radio journal of Latino news and culture produced under the auspices of KUT Radio and CMAS
• Resistencia Bookstore and Red Salmon Arts Press—community-based literary arts collaboration
• Serie Project & Coronado Studios—partnership to bring a presence of Latino artwork to CMAS

• Youth Encuentro—week-long educational summer camp for underserved youth from Central Texas

PROGRAMMING
The Center offers a wide array of programs that enable the University and the community at-large to learn more about Latino affairs and scholarship. These include lecture series, occasional conferences, symposia, colloquia and a quarterly newsletter.

CMAS PUBLICATION SERIES IN HISTORY, CULTURE, AND SOCIETY WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS PRESS
CMAS actively produces scholarly work in Mexican American studies through a book series, History, Culture, and Society, published with The University of Texas Press. These cutting-edge disciplinary and interdisciplinary inquiries now include: Narratives of Greater Mexico: Essays on Chicano Literary History, Genre, and Borders by Héctor Calderón, Felix Longoria’s Wake by Patrick J. Carroll, Remembering the Alamo: Memory, Modernity and the Master Symbol by Richard R. Flores; and The Illusion of Inclusion: The UnTold Political Story of San Antonio by Rodolfo Rosales.

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Known by some as “the silent warrior,” Samora was the first Mexican American to earn a doctorate in sociology and was co-founder of the National Council of la Raza. Author of *La Raza: Forgotten Americans and Mexican-American* and *Los Mojados: The Wetback Story* and other academic publications.

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An influential figure in Puerto Rican Studies, Bonilla along with other social activists founded the Puerto Rican Leadership Forum and ASPIRA. Bonilla is a former IUPLR executive director. Author of *Borderless Border: U.S. Latinos, Latin Americans, and the Paradox of Interdependence* and other scholarly works.
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