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HIGHLIGHTS of the October 2008 Noticiero de IUPLR:

- This is El Noticiero's **13th year** as an electronic informational outlet for the IUPLR network
- Member Centers announce their fall calendar of events
- Rubén Hernández-León of UCLA's CSRC has published a new book, Metropolitan Migrants: The Migration of Urban Mexicans to the United States
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- The Senate Hispanic Research Council in Texas is currently accepting applications for its 2009 Senator Gregory Luna Legislative Scholars and Fellows Program
- El Museo del Barrio is seeking applicants for the position of Director of Education
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- AAHHE is accepting applications for the 2009 Graduate Student Fellows Program
- Dr. Andres Torres of El Centro at Hunter College is the new Interim Director of the CUNY Latino Faculty Initiative
- The University of Connecticut invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professorship in U.S. Latino/a History
- Harvard Divinity School seeks applicants for an assistant professor position in Latino/a religious traditions
- Rice University is seeking applications from specialists in Latin American literature and culture
- The Department of English at The University of Texas at San Antonio seeks a specialist in Native American Literatures
- The Social Work Department at Saint Joseph College invites applications for a full-time faculty position in Social Work and Latino Community Practice
- Texas Christian University invites applications for an instructor position in anthropology, specializing in Latin America or Mexican-American Studies

IUPLR HEADQUARTER NEWS

This is El Noticiero's **13th year** as an electronic informational outlet for the IUPLR network of scholars and member centers. For more information, be sure to visit the IUPLR web site at: <http://www.nd.edu/~iuplr>. Please send your center updates, center events, faculty news, faculty opportunities, fellowship opportunities, and publication news to Victor Sáenz. Victor's email address is: victorsaenz3@yahoo.com.

The 2009 IUPLR Siglo Conference will be held in Chicago, IL. Details will be forthcoming.

CENTER NEWS

Center for Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity, Stanford University

October 3, 2008, All Day Event

The Stanford Center for Opportunity Policy in Education- an affiliate of the Center for Comparative Studies on Race and Ethnicity- and the Eisenhower Foundation will co-sponsor a daylong forum at Stanford to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Kerner Commission report and to bring attention to issues of educational inequality. This event is free but registration is required. To register visit: <http://edpolicy.stanford.edu>. For more information, contact bmckenna@stanford.edu.

Chicano Studies Research Center, University of California at Los Angeles

CSRC announces a new book by one of its affiliate faculty, entitled "Metropolitan Migrants: The Migration of Urban Mexicans to the United States", by Rubén Hernández-León, Assistant Professor of Sociology at the University of California, Los Angeles. Challenging many common perceptions, this is the first book fully dedicated to understanding a major new phenomenon—the large numbers of skilled urban workers who are now coming across the border from Mexico's cities. Based on a ten-year, on-the-ground study of one working-class neighborhood in Monterrey, Mexico's industrial powerhouse and third-largest city, Metropolitan Migrants explores the ways in which Mexico's economic restructuring and the industrial modernization of the past three decades have pushed a new flow of migrants toward cities such as Houston, Texas, the global capital of the oil industry. Weaving together rich details of everyday life with a lucid analysis of Mexico's political economy, Rubén Hernández-León deftly traces the effects of restructuring on the lives of the working class, from the national level to the kitchen table. For more info, visit: <http://www.ucpress.edu/books/pages/10984.php>.

Center for Latino Policy Research, University of California at Berkley

October 16, 2008, 3:30-5:00pm

Guest Teresa Cordova presents: Planning and Politics-Engagement in Community Development. Teresa is the Chair and Associate Professor of Community and Regional Planning Program at the University of New Mexico. Location: Conference Room

October 16, 2008, 6pm

“Underground Undergrads” UCLA undocumented immigrant students speak out. Location: MLK Jr. Student Union, Tan Oak Room, 4th Floor.

October 21, 2008, 3:30-5pm

Strategies for Latino Empowerment in 2008 and Beyond, presented by Antonio Gonzales, president of Southwest Voter Registration Education Project. Location: CLPR conference room.

October 31, 2008, 10am-12pm

Dia de Los Muertos Altar and Celebration, come join the CLPR community in remembering ancestors who have passed on. You are welcome to bring relics, trinkets or any other items in commemoration and honor of those who have passed. Location: CLPR Conference Room.

National Latino Research Center, Cal State University - San Marcos

October 16, 2008, 6pm

“On the Corner: Immigrant Day Laborers in the United States,” a lecture by Dr. Abel Valenzuela, Jr. (UCLA). Location: Markstein Hall 125.

October 23, 2008, 6:30pm

“Border Activism, Human Rights, and Immigration,” a talk with Enrique Morones (Border Angels). Location: Clarke Field House.

October 30, 2008, 6:30pm

“Civil Rights Today: Comparative Perspectives from Africa, Latin America, and the United States,” a lecture by Dr. August Nimtz (University of Minnesota). Location: Clarke Field House.

November 6, 2008, Noon

“The Mexican Question: Rights and Dispensation in the Past and the Present,” a lecture by Dr. Michelle A. Holling (CSUSM). Location: Markstein 145.

Centro de Estudios Puertorriqueños, Hunter College CUNY

October 16, 2008, 6:30pm

Book Presentation: (in Spanish), “Mirada de Doble Filo” con Ana Lydia Vega and Magali Garcia Ramis. The moderator is Pedro Lopez Adorno of Hunter College. Un libro de ensayos con temas tan variados como los huracanes, la guerra, el reguetón, las elecciones, el matrimonio

gay, la violencia doméstica, las fiestas criollas, los desastres ambientales, los símbolos nacionales, y hasta los ritos fúnebres de la sociedad puertorriqueña contemporánea. Location: Faculty Dining Room- Hunter College West Building 8th Floor.

Institute for Latino Studies, University of Notre Dame

October 10, 2008, 7pm-12am

La Alianza: Fiesta del Sol. The event will feature music, dancing and food. Location: Notre Dame Fieldhouse Mall.

October 15, 2008, 4pm

Fall 2008 ND Interdisciplinary Faculty Seminar Ser: An Imaginary Visual Retrospective Look at Immigration. Guest Speaker Antonio Turok, an internationally known documentary photographer that has worked in Central America, Mexico and the United States for the last 35 years covering the human condition of people of Mexico. Location: McKenna Hall Room 208.

October 15, 2008, 4:30pm

Fall 2008 ND Interdisciplinary Faculty Seminar, Ser: An Imaginary Visual Retrospective Look at Immigration. The event present the film "Made in L.A." The events facilitator will be Karen Richman, Director of Border and InterAmerican Affairs at the Institute of Latino Studies, the event is co-sponsored by the institute of Latino Studies. Location: Kroc Institute's Hesburgh Auditorium.

October 29, 2008, 4pm

Fall 2008 ND Interdisciplinary Faculty Seminar Ser: Fidel Castro Performs: A Look at History and Reiteration. Guest speaker, Assistant Professor of the Department of Film, Yael Prizant, with a research focus on television and theatre that involves Cuban/Cuban American theatre since the collapse of the Soviet Union. Location: McKenna Hall, Room 208.

October 28, 2008, 7pm

Day of the Dead Folk Art Workshop in the Snite Museum

October 30, 2008, 7pm

The Snite Museum of Art and the institute for Latino Studies host the 8th Annual Day of the Dead Installation. Location: The Snite Museum of Art.

October 31, 2008, 11am-5pm

In Collaboration with the visit to the Snite Museum, the Chavez family will have a weaving sale. An excellent and rare opportunity to purchase gorgeous textiles. Location: Rotunda Gallery at the South Bend Museum of Art.

Mauricio Gaston Institute for Latino Community Involvement, University of Massachusetts

October 16, 2008, 1:00-2:30pm

2008-2009 Gaston Institute Speakers Series: Testimonios Afro-Puertoriquenos. Multimedia presentation of oral histories that critically examines the myths of national homogeneity and racial democracy in Puerto Rico. Location: Chancellor's Conference Room, 3rd floor, Quinn Administration.

Congratulations again to Dr. Maria Idali Torres for being named the new Director of the Mauricio Gaston Institute at UMass-Boston, effective January 2009. A medical anthropologist with a PhD from the University of Connecticut, Dr. Torres' research has focused on the promotion, protection and maintenance of health among Latino women and their families. Dr. Torres, in addition to her post as director of the Institute, will hold a joint faculty appointment in the Department of Anthropology and the Department of Public Policy.

Cuban Research Institute, Florida International University

October 1, 2008 through October 3, 2008

LACC Presents the Twelfth Annual Americas Conference a business and political forum that focuses on topics that are crucial to U.S./Latin American issues. The theme of the conference is "New Leadership- New Focus: Good Governance and Economic Development in the Hemisphere". Registration required for more information, go to www.americasconference.com. Location: The Baltimore Hotel, Coral Gables.

Julian Samora Research Institute, Michigan State University

October 28, 2008, 4-6 pm

The Julian Samora Research Institute Presents: "Settling Out, Settling Down, and Making it: Latino Contributions to the Visual Arts in Michigan". The event will include a Presentation and Panel Discussion on the contributions of Latinos to the visual arts in Michigan. Location: Main Gallery, MSU Museum, West Circle Drive Just North of the Main Library.

Latino and Latin American Studies Program, Northeastern Illinois University

October 9, 2008, 10am- 8pm

"Latina College Life Tour" is a celebration of the Latina College experience. There will be live music, fashion make-overs and runway show. Hosted by Cipha Sounds of New York's HOT 97, for further information contact Jaime Mendoza ext. 5474. Location: University Commons.

October 11, 2008, 8am- 1pm

Language Diversity Symposium: "Does Chicano Speak my Language?" is a forum for parents, teachers, students and ethnic organizations to share experiences on the richness and value of their

native language. For further information contact Joaquin Villegas ext. 5381. Location: Class Room Building 1001.

October 11, 2008, 10:00am- 12:30pm

S.A.L.S.A- Spanish Award-winning Literature Seminar for All, a presentation and discussion of fiction and non-fiction books Pre K- 8th grade. Presented in partnership with “Multilingual Chicago”. For more information contact Joaquin Villegas ext. 5381. Location: Class Room Building 1002.

October 14, 2008, 1:40pm-3:00pm

An informal reception for students, faculty, staff and administrators. Home cooked food will be provided by members of the Hispanic Committee. Food Donations are welcomed! For details contact Flora Llacuna at ext. 4616. Location: B-Wing 158.

October 15, 2008, 6-10pm

“La Noche Bohemia” Romantic rhythms of Latin America will be the highlight of the event. For further information contact Ana Gil-Garcia at ext. 5225. Location: Golden Eagles.

October 20, 2008, 6:10-7:10pm

Latino Scholar Series- “Puerto Rico”. For further information contact Silvia Garcia-Romero at ext. 4082. Location: El Centro

Smithsonian Latino Center

October 9, 2008, 7:00-8:30pm

The Smithsonian Latino Center and the Pyramid Atlantic Art Center have invited the foremost expert on the Puerto Rican poster-making tradition, Dr. Teresa Tio, who will present an illustrated history of one of the island’s most influential art forms. Event is free reserve seats at SLCEvent.si.edu. For more information on even visit www.pyramidatlanticcenter.org/about/contact.htm#directions. Location: 8230 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland.

October 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th 2008, 10:15am-11:30am

Catch the Beat with Luis Garay: Interactive percussion workshop/performance, as a part of the 2008 program series, “Puerto Rico at the Smithsonian”. The event is appropriate for elementary age students. Tickets required, group rates available, for tickets call 202-633-8700 or visit www.discoverytheater.org. RSVP to Discovery Theatre. Location: The Discovery Theatre, S. Dillon Ripley Center, 1100 Jefferson Dr, SW, Washington D.C.

October 23, 2008, 7-9pm

The Puerto Rican films of DEVEDCO: Melodrama, Civic, and Modernity” Film Series
The evening’s program features “El Resplendor” and “Nenen de la Ruta Mora,” two of the few DIVEDCO films that specifically address blackness in Puerto Rico. For Directions to Busboys and Poets, <http://visit www.busboysandpoets.com/>. Location: Busboys and Poets, 2021 14th St. N.W., Washington, D.C.

Center for Mexican American Studies, University of Texas at Austin

October 6, 2008, 12-10pm

Dia de la Raza Celebration: "Today's Raza: Mexican Americans in the 21st Century" "Today's Raza: Mexican Americans in the 21st Century" The program for the celebration of Dia de la Raza 2008 is scheduled to include a luncheon with Frances Herrera, the first chair of the Mexican American Culture Committee of the Texas Union, a poetry workshop, an open mic session, guest speakers, a viewing of "Under the Same Moon" and a viewing/discussion of "Brown is the New Green: George Lopez and the American Dream". For additional information visit: <http://www.utexas.edu/txunion/sec/getinvolved/macc/index.php?section=getinvolved>. Location: Various Texas Union Rooms.

October 9, 2008, 12-1pm

CMAS PláticArte: "Learning Conjunto", Joel Guzman (Accordian) and JJ Barrera (Bajo Sexto.) Instructors of UT's new Conjunto Ensemble In the Fall 2007, the Butler School of Music began offering a conjunto ensemble course, taught by noted performers Joel Guzman and JJ Barrera. The course is offered as a practical introduction to the performance techniques of the diatonic button accordion and the 12-string bajo sexto. The course is open to all students, regardless of previous musical experience. Come hear Joel and JJ talk about the class and perform some Tex-Mex music. Location: Texas Union, Theatre (2.228)

October 29, 2008, 12-1pm

CMAS Graduate Portfolio Plática: Title to Be Announced. The speaker will be Lacey Donahue Doctoral Candidate in English with a Graduate Portfolio in Mexican American Studies. Location: Texas Union, Sinclair Suite (3.128)

October 29, 2008, 5:30-7:30pm

Reading and Booksigning: *There Once Was a Woman: La Llorona from Folklore to Popular Culture*. Domino Renee Perez, Department of English and the Center for Mexican American Studies, UT Austin. Refreshments will be provided. Location: Follet's Intellectual Property Bookstore (W. 24 St. and Guadalupe), Austin, Texas.

Center for Chicano Boricua Studies, Wayne State University

October 9, 2008, 7pm

Patricia Isasa will speak at University of Detroit-Mercy. Description Argentinean victim of political persecution and torture, Patricia Isasa, will be speaking on "Bringing Torturers to Justice in Argentina". For additional information, contact the Michigan Council on Human Rights, 313 579-9071. Location: University of Detroit-Mercy, Life Sciences Building, room 113.

October 9, 2008, 6-9pm

6th Annual Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration, Wayne County Executive Robert A. Ficano invites you to attend the 6th annual Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration, there will be music, entertainment and admission is free. Location: The United Auto Workers, Local 22, 4300 Michigan Avenue, Detroit, MI 48210.

October 16, 2008, 6pm

Dr. Zaragosa Vargas to Speak at LASED youth Center University of California-Santa Barbara Chicano historian Dr. Zaragosa Vargas, will be speaking on "Contribution of Mexican Americans to the American Civil Rights Movement". Sponsored by Wayne State University and LASED. For additional information, please contact the Center for Chicano-Boricua Studies at 313 577-4378. Location: LASED Youth Center, 7150 W. Vernor Avenue, Detroit, MI 48209.

October 22-23, 2008

Hispanic Business Expo & Economic Summit, held by the Hispanic Business Alliance October 22 & 23, 2008. For more information and registration, please go to www.hbaexpo.org or call (313) 962-6422.

October 30, 2008, 12-8pm

Automation Alley's ConneCTech to Partner With Microsoft for Career Fair, Automation Alley, Michigan's largest technology business association driving growth in Southeast Michigan's economy, announced that its leading workforce development initiative, *ConneCTech*, is partnering with the *International Association of Microsoft Certified Partners* (IAMCP) to hold a career fair at Motor City Casino. ConneCTech is Michigan's premier network for technology professionals, providing the tools, resources and opportunities needed for success. Job seekers looking to participate in the 2008 ConneCTech and IAMCP Career Fair can register at connectech.org and are able to submit their resume after registering. This event is free to ConneCTech members and \$20 for non-members.

Latin American and Latino Studies Program, University of Illinois, Chicago

Wednesday, October 8, 2008 at 11:00

Tlatelolco: Las Claves de la Masacre, (2003) by Carlos Mendoza. Presented by Professor Chris Boyer, Latin American & Latino Studies Program and History Department. This film is an expose which brings together information gathered through a four year investigation on the events and the planning of the student massacre.

Wednesday, October 15, 2008 at 12:00 p.m.

El Bulto, (1992), by Gabriel Retes. Presented by Professor Cristian Roa, Associate Professor Spanish, French, Italian and Portuguese and Latin American and Latino Studies Program. After being in a coma for 20 years, Lauro (Retes) wakes up in a very different Mexico than the one he lived on. Ideas, hopes, ways-of-life and customs have changed, and Mexicans of the nineties are strangers for a man sleeping since 1971. Lauro will have to deal with the changes brought by the History, and will have to accept that the future is never as we imagined it when we were young.

For information about the above listed events call the Latin American and Latino Studies Program Office at 312.996.2445 or email martae@uic.edu.

OPPORTUNITIES for STUDENTS/ADVISEES

The Senate Hispanic Research Council in Texas is currently accepting applications for its 2009 Senator Gregory Luna Legislative Scholars and Fellows Program. Applications can also be downloaded from the SHRC website at www.tshrc.org. Through this unique program undergraduate and graduate students have the opportunity to gain experience and develop leadership skills as full-time legislative assistants in the Texas Senate. Each student is assigned to the office of a state senator or the Lieutenant Governor to perform a variety of legislative tasks, including legislative research summaries, bill tracking, constituent correspondence and drafting floor statements, articles, press releases. Weekly leadership development sessions and presentations, professional training workshops, and meeting will enhance the intensive work experience. The program will begin January 7, 2009 and end on the last day of the legislative session, June 1, 2009. Program participants will receive a \$2,000 monthly stipend to assist with living expenses. The Senator Gregory Luna Legislative Scholars and Fellows Program is named after the late Senator Gregory Luna, a well-known education advocate and former Chair of the Senate Hispanic Caucus who served as State Senator from Bexar County from 1993 until his passing in 1999. For more information please contact Sarah Saenz, Executive Program Director, at 512-499-8606 or sarah@tshrc.org. The application deadline for this program is **Friday, October 17, 2008**.

El Museo del Barrio is seeking applicants for the position of Director of Education, responsible for the development and supervision of the education department. S/he will supervise education professionals in the department, artist educators, docents, interns, and volunteers. S/he will work collaboratively to expand the Education component of all the programming areas at El Museo and will work with other departments to achieve the overall goals and objectives of the organization. Applicants should have five years minimum supervisory professional experience in Museum Education, Arts Education and/or related experience in a cultural/education organization, and they should have a graduate degree in Arts Education, Museum Education, Education, Art History, Fine Arts, or Visual Arts Administration. To apply, please submit letter of interest, resume, and the names and addresses of three or more professional references to: educationsearch@elmuseo.org or Education Search Committee, El Museo del Barrio, 1230 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY, 10029. For more info, visit: www.elmuseo.org.

The American Association of Hispanics in Higher Education (AAHHE), Inc. is now accepting applications for the AAHHE Graduate Student Fellows Program for the 2009 AAHHE National Conference: Soluciones para el Futuro: Achieving Hispanic Success. The conference will be held March 5-7, 2009, at the Hyatt Regency Riverwalk Hotel, San Antonio, Texas. Participation in the AAHHE Graduate Student Fellows Program will begin on March 3rd, continue throughout the conference and end on March 8th, 2009. Fellowship applicants will

be assessed on the following criteria: Hispanic, Latina/o and or Chicana/o Background; Enrollment in full-time graduate study in a master's or doctoral program; Demonstration of academic potential through future career goals and past experiences; Aspiration to enter the professoriate and/or student affairs in higher education. To apply for an AAHHE Graduate Student Fellowship submit the following materials on-line no later than Friday, October 17, 2008 by 5pm (PST): application form; letter of interest; Resume/vitae; and a letter of support (from an advisor, supervisor, or faculty member). For more info, visit: www.aahhe.org/gradStudentProgramForm.aspx. **All materials must be submitted no later than Friday, October 17, 2008 by 5pm (PST).** For more information, please contact: Brianne A. Dávila, M.A., 2009 Graduate Student Fellows Program Chair, via email at bdavila@umail.ucsb.edu, or visit AAHHE's website at <http://www.aahhe.org/>.

The Centro is opening a dissertation fellowship competition through the Caribbean Exchange Program for full-time graduate students working towards their doctorate degree. Applicants must be at the post data collection stage of the dissertation process at any fully accredited university in the United States or Puerto Rico. This grant pertains to students who are studying and researching topics and issues relating to Puerto Rico, Puerto Rican history and the Puerto Rican Diaspora in the U.S. and the Caribbean. **Application deadline is October 15th, 2008.** For more info, download the application at: http://www.centropr.org/documents/general_pdfs/2009_dissertation_call.pdf.

The Center for Citizenship, Race, and Ethnicity Studies (CREST) at The College of Saint Rose is inviting applicants for two one-year diversity fellowships for doctoral candidates engaged in completing their dissertations. This one-year non-renewable fellowship carries a \$20,000 stipend, on-campus housing, \$5,000 in research expenses, courtesy access to local libraries, and office space. For full details, eligibility requirements, and application, please visit www.strose.edu/CREST. The College of Saint Rose actively and energetically seeks to recruit a more diverse faculty, staff, and administration by encouraging applications from African-American, Latino, Asian-American, Native-American and women candidates, as well as the entire spectrum of diverse communities. Applications must be received by **December 15, 2008.**

FACULTY OPPORTUNITIES

The newly-appointed Interim Director of the CUNY Latino Faculty Initiative, Dr. Andres Torres, has asked that we share this information with the IUPLR network. Chancellor Matthew Goldstein of the CUNY system is making a special effort to attract Puerto Rican/Latino faculty to the 19-college system of the City University of New York. Presently there are more than 100 positions open, many of potential interest to Latina/o scholars. If you are entering the academic market this year, Dr. Torres urges you to do the following soon:

- 1) Visit <http://portal.cuny.edu/cms/id/cuny/documents/jobposting/TeachingTOC.htm> and review the current listing. Several positions have upcoming deadlines.
 - 2) If you have an interest in a specific campus, visit www.cuny.edu for links to the various colleges and check their job postings.
 - 3) If you pursue a position, be sure to apply directly to the address as announced by CUNY. Do NOT submit your official application to this Initiative.
 - 4) Send Dr. Torres a copy of your application (cover letter and CV) if you would like the Latino Faculty Initiative to help keep track of CUNY's outreach and recruitment progress. Send to: mpaz@hunter.cuny.edu.
 - 5) If you are not presently seeking employment, but would like the Initiative to include your CV in their databank, please send to: mpaz@hunter.cuny.edu.
- For more info on this initiative, please contact Dr. Andrés Torres directly: CUNY Latino Faculty Initiative, C/o Center for Puerto Rican Studies, Hunter College, 695 Park Ave., NY, NY 10065, or by email at: andres.torres@hunter.cuny.edu.

The Department of Africana and Puerto Rican/Latino Studies at Hunter College invites applications for two tenure-track Assistant or Associate Professor positions in Puerto Rican/Latino Studies to begin in early Fall 2007. Candidates with disciplinary expertise in **Political Science** are particularly encouraged to apply for the first position. Candidates with disciplinary expertise in **Sociology or Anthropology** applied to research and teaching in Puerto Rican Studies are particularly encouraged to apply for the second position. A Ph.D. is required at the time of appointment. Interested applicants should submit a letter of applications, curriculum vitae, transcript, a publication or writing sample, three letters of recommendation, and evidence of teaching experience (e.g.: syllabi; teaching evaluations) to: Faculty Search with expertise in Sociology or Anthropology, c/o Barbara Saunders, Department of Africana and Puerto Rican/Latino Studies, Hunter College, 695 Park Avenue, Room W1711, New York, NY 10065. **Position is open until filled.**

The University of Connecticut invites applications for a tenure-track assistant professorship in U.S. Latino/a History at its Greater Hartford campus beginning fall 2009. The position will be a joint appointment between the Institute of Puerto Rican and Latino Studies and the History Department, the tenure home of the appointment. Teaching will include introductory and specialized courses in Latina/o History as well as other courses in both programs. Requirements: Ph.D. in History required by time of appointment. Applicants should demonstrate excellence in research and teaching, and a desire to work within an interdisciplinary program. Preference is for candidates who can teach modern Latin American history and who have an interest in participating in the American and/or Urban and Community Studies programs. Applicants should submit a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and three letters of recommendation, a syllabus for a Latino /a history course, and a writing sample to Professor Shirley A. Roe, Latino /a History Search, Department of History, U-2103, University of Connecticut, Storrs Connecticut 06269. **Screening will begin on October 10th** and continue until the position is filled. For further information see <http://www.history.uconn.edu>.

The Department of English at Arizona State University is seeking an Associate Professor of Comparative Ethnic Studies. Required qualifications include a PhD in English, Comparative Literature, Ethnic Studies or a related discipline; college-level teaching experience; a record of student mentoring and of ongoing research and publications in the field appropriate to the rank of associate professor with tenure. Teaching load is 2/2 with significant research agenda; opportunities for teaching are at undergraduate, MA, and PhD levels. The department desires someone with a transnational, hemispheric, or global research perspective. Applicants must send: letter of application, CV, writing sample(s) of published work, and contact information of three professional references to Chair, Comparative Ethnic Studies Search Committee, Department of English, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287-0302. Application deadline (no faxes or emails please): Applications will be reviewed beginning on **October 24, 2008**, and the position will stay open until filled.

Harvard Divinity School seeks to attract top candidates in the study of Latino/a religious traditions for a new, tenure-track assistant professorship to commence in the academic year 2009-2010. Drawing from scholars working in Latino/a Studies, Religious Studies, Anthropology, Theology and related fields, they hope to hire a junior colleague whose work focuses on Latino/a religious traditions and whose training includes expertise and interests in theological, ethnographical, and/or literary dimensions of these traditions. It is also desirable for candidates to have familiarity with Latino/a traditions in relation to ministry in a wide variety of traditions and settings. Applicants must hold a doctoral degree by the time of assuming the position in the fall of 2009, be familiar with forms of analysis that address race, gender, and social location, and be able to teach and advise at the doctoral and master's levels, including the M.Div. program. Letters of application or nomination, accompanied by a recent curriculum vitae, a writing sample and/or publications, and three letters of recommendation should be sent to: Latino/a Studies Search, Faculty Search Coordinator, Harvard Divinity School, 45 Francis Avenue, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138. Candidates are strongly encouraged to submit full dossiers by **October 31, 2008**. For more info, send an e-mail to: facultysearch@hds.harvard.edu.

The Department of English at West Virginia University invites applications for the position of Assistant Professor with a specialization in Latino/a or Chicano/a Literatures in English. Applicants must have a Ph.D. or other terminal degree in an appropriate field (English, Comparative Literature, or Chicano/a Studies preferred), clear evidence of success in research, and demonstrated teaching excellence. Initial interviews will be conducted at the MLA convention in San Francisco. Submit letter of application and curriculum vitae, an approximately 20-page sample of research, and at least three letters of recommendation to: Search Committee: Latino/a American Literature, Department of English, Box 6296, Morgantown, West Virginia 26506-6296. Direct further inquiries to Donald Hall: Donald.Hall@mail.wvu.edu; 304-293-3100. **The application deadline is November 1, 2008**, and the position begins August 16, 2009.

The Labor Studies Program at Indiana University in Bloomington is seeking applicants for a tenure-track position, with special consideration given to applicants with direct experience in labor unions or community organizations, and/or who have expertise in Latino workers' issues,

or public sector labor issues. Administered by the School of Social Work, the program caters to a diverse population of traditional, non-traditional, and labor union learners. They seek a candidate for a tenure-track position located on the Bloomington (IUB) campus, with responsibilities including: teach labor studies courses both online and in the classroom; carry out research and labor related service; maintain working relationships with Labor Studies faculty on other IU campuses and with labor organizations; and develop and teach non-credit courses in areas of specialization. Some travel is expected. Qualifications: a doctorate in a field closely related to labor studies is required. Candidates must possess significant research potential and demonstrate knowledge of and commitment to working in areas relevant to organized labor. A complete application must include: letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and three letters of reference. The letter of interest should include a description of one's concept of the discipline of labor studies; how one's strengths and competencies match the desired position; teaching philosophy, and labor movement experience. All applications should be submitted electronically to: Sarah Bailey Labor Studies Recorder, IU Bloomington, schilder@indiana.edu. Screening of applications will begin **November 1, 2008**.

The Government Department at St. Lawrence University in New York, invites applications for an entry-level, tenure-track position in Latin American politics. Applicants should have a strong background in the politics of development and broad training in either Comparative Politics or International Relations. The successful applicant will teach within the Government Department but also contribute introductory and capstone courses to the university's Caribbean and Latin American Studies program. Ability to offer a course in Latino politics in the United States is not essential, but would be an asset. The appointment is scheduled to begin August 15, 2009. Please submit letters expressing interest in the position, vita, sample syllabi for two relevant courses, evidence of successful teaching, graduate school transcript, letters of recommendation, and writing sample to: Patty A. Ashlaw, Administrative Secretary, Department of Government Hepburn 102, St. Lawrence University Canton, NY 13617. **The deadline for the applications is November 1, 2008.** For more information please visit SLU's homepage at: <http://www.stlawu.edu>.

The University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh is seeking applicants for a tenure-track position in American Ethnic Literature, with specialization in either Asian American Literature or Latino/a Literature. Expectations include college teaching experience; an active research and publication agenda; and ability to teach upper-level and graduate courses in specialty as well as general education courses in literature and composition. Service on committees and advising of English majors is also expected. Interested applicants should send a letter of application, curriculum vitae, statement of teaching philosophy, three current letters of recommendation, and official graduate transcripts to: Dr. Ron Rindo, Chair, Department of English, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, Oshkosh, Wisconsin 54901. Application **deadline is November 10, 2008.**

Case Western Reserve University seeks an Assistant Professor in Latino/Chicano history. As part of an exciting, new university strategic initiative in Social Justice, Case Western Reserve University invites applications for a tenure-track appointment beginning July 1, 2009 as

Assistant Professor in the field of Latino/Chicano History, from the 19th to 20th century, specialization open. A strong commitment to research and publication, demonstrated teaching excellence, and concern for issues of diversity and social justice, are essential. The successful candidate will be appointed in the Department of History, have a 2-2 teaching load, and will be the first of at least five new anticipated hires through the Social Justice initiative over the next several years in the College of Arts and Sciences. Send letter of application, curriculum vitae, a writing sample, and at least three letters of recommendation for **receipt by Tuesday, November 11, 2008**, to Dr. Rhonda Y. Williams, Director of the Social Justice Initiative and Search Committee Chair, Department of History, Case Western Reserve University, 10900 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44106-7107. Electronic applications preferred; send to CWRUHistorySearch@case.edu.

The Department of History, Political Science, and Geography at Drury University invites applications for a new open-rank, tenure-track professorship in Latin American/United States history, beginning August 2009. The department is seeking broadly trained candidates to teach the U.S. history surveys as well as upper level courses in Latin American and/or U.S. History. All relevant periods and specializations will be considered. Desirable fields might include Atlantic World, Borderlands, Indigenous Peoples of the Americas, or Latino/Latina Studies. Qualifications: Ph.D. in history required by August 2009; strong teaching and research agenda expected. Interested applicants should send a cover letter, curriculum vitae, three letters of reference, transcripts, sample syllabi, and evidence of teaching excellence to Dr. Greg Renoff, Chair of the History Search Committee, Drury University, 900 North Benton Avenue, Springfield, Missouri 65802. Review of applications begins immediately; final deadline **November 14, 2008**.

Rice University is seeking applications from specialists in Latin American literature and culture with a focus on one or more of the following fields: Mexico, Andean Studies, Southern Cone, and Borderlands, with preference in 19th or 20th Century. A transnational and comparative research agenda is desirable. Evidence of outstanding scholarly accomplishment; strong commitment to graduate and undergraduate teaching is essential. Native or near-native command of Spanish is also required. Teaching is a 2:2 load; with generous funding opportunities for travel and research. Candidate will have the chance to work in collaboration across disciplines toward the creation of the Américas Research Center at Rice. Interested applicants should send a letter of application, CV, writing sample, and minimum of three letters of recommendation to: Dr. Luis Duno-Gottberg (Rice University, Hispanic Studies - MS34, PO BOX 1892, Houston, TX 77251-1892.) Contingent upon final budget approval, review of applications will begin November 3, 2008 and close by **November 28, 2008**.

The Department of English at The University of Texas at San Antonio seeks a specialist in Native American Literatures for a tenure-track assistant professor appointment in English, beginning August 2009. Scholar-teachers whose scope of inquiry encompasses transnational and cross cultural studies, particularly indigenous cultures within and across the Americas, are encouraged to apply. The successful candidate will be able to contribute to multiple degree

programs, including a Ph.D. program with emphases in transnational/cross-cultural studies, Latina/o literary and cultural studies, and rhetoric and composition studies. They particularly welcome applications from candidates with secondary interests in Chicana and Chicano literature, transnational studies and film studies. Candidates for this position should be actively engaged in scholarly research and writing and be prepared to teach literature courses to undergraduates and graduate students. The job involves a 2/2 course load for the first year, and a 3/2 or 3/3 course load in subsequent years, depending on research production. Candidates also should have a strong commitment to service to students and the broader Native American communities on campus and off. Application materials must include a cover letter, curriculum vitae, three letters of recommendation, a writing sample (dissertation chapter or journal article), and indication of teaching excellence. Send materials to: Dr. Bridget Drinka, Chair, University of Texas at San Antonio, One UTSA Circle, San Antonio, Texas 78249-1644. Electronic applications are not accepted. Review of applications will begin **December 1, 2008**, and will continue until the position is filled.

The Social Work Department at Saint Joseph College invites applications for a full-time faculty position in Social Work and Latino Community Practice to begin in Fall, 2009. The successful applicant will be prepared to teach in a CSWE-accredited BSW program and in an inter-professional Graduate Certificate Program in Latino Community Practice. Additional responsibilities include academic advising, serving as field liaison, mentoring student research, and developing collaborations with Latino communities and organizations. Applicants may apply for either a tenure-track or a clinical faculty position. Applicants should send a letter of interest that describes philosophies of teaching and practice and that demonstrates a record of scholarship and/or community leadership relevant to the position; a current vitae, transcripts, and three letters of recommendation to Human Resources, Social Work Search Committee, Saint Joseph College, 1678 Asylum Avenue, West Hartford, CT, 06117; Fax: (860) 231-8273; or E-mail: hr@sjc.edu. Saint Joseph College, founded by the Sisters of Mercy in the Roman Catholic tradition, provides a rigorous liberal arts and professional education for a diverse student population while maintaining a strong commitment to developing the potential of women. Review of applications will **begin immediately** and continue until the position is filled.

Texas Christian University (TCU) invites applications for an instructor position in anthropology beginning in August 2009, who specializes in Latin America, Mexican-American Studies and religious movements. The candidate must have also demonstrated excellence in teaching. The ideal candidate should be able to teach two upper-division topics courses in his or her areas of specialization and introductory courses in two of three subfields: cultural anthropology, physical anthropology, and linguistic anthropology. A Ph.D. in anthropology is required at the time of application. Applications should include a letter detailing research and teaching experience and a curriculum vitae. Please send materials to Patrick Kinkade, Chair, Anthropology Search Committee, Department of Sociology, Criminal Justice and Anthropology, Texas Christian University, Box 298710, Fort Worth, Texas 76129. The search is on-going **until the position is filled**.

NEWS, EVENTS, CONFERENCES, SUBMISSIONS, OTHER (Sorted by Date)

The National Association for Ethnic Studies, which will host its 37th Annual National Conference on April 2–4, 2009 in San Diego, invites abstracts/proposals for papers, panels, workshops, or media productions from people in all disciplines and interdisciplinary areas of the arts, business, social sciences, humanities, science and education on issues of ethnicity. Two-hundred-fifty-word abstracts/proposals should be submitted by **October 15, 2008**, which relate to any aspect of the conference theme, with the participant's institutional affiliation and mailing address, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail address. Abstracts must be submitted electronically to: <http://www.ethnicstudies.org/conference.htm>.

The American Association of Hispanics in Higher Education (AAHHE) invite all to their 2009 AAHHE National Conference, March 5-7, 2009, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in San Antonio, TX. The conference theme is "Soluciones Para El Futuro: Achieving Hispanic Success." They are currently accepting proposals for concurrent sessions as well as nominations for various scholarly and leadership awards, by **October 17th, 2008**. Also, confirmed speakers for this conference include Marta Tienda (Professor of Demographic Studies at Princeton University) who will present the 2009 Tomás Rivera Lecture, and Sandra Cisneros (invited), author of *The House on Mango Street*, which will be the 2009 AAHHE Conference Book. Other pre-conference or special session speakers include: Victor Saenz (Assistant Professor at UT-Austin) discussing issues of gender among the Latina/o educational experience, and Jose Luis Santos (Assistant Professor at UCLA) discussing financial aid and Latina/o college student retention. For more info, visit: www.aahhe.org.

Recovering the U.S. Hispanic Literary Heritage Conference, to be jointly sponsored by the University of Houston and Rice University, has issued a call for papers. The conference is held biennially under the auspices of the Recovering the U.S. Hispanic Literary Heritage Project, a national program to locate, identify, preserve, and make accessible the literary contributions of U.S. Hispanics from colonial times through 1960 in what today comprises the United States. This year, the conference will be held in Houston, TX, **November 14-15, 2008**.

The Serie Project will host the 2008 Consejo Gráfico Conference November 20 – 22, 2008 in Austin, TX. The Conference serves as the annual meeting for the Consejo Gráfico, an independent national network of Latino printmaking organizations that work to advance the legacy and viability of Latino printmaking in the United States. For more information, visit the Serie Project website and click on the Consejo Gráfico button for detailed information about the conference events: www.SerieProject.org.

JSRI at Michigan State announces a call for contemporary research studies and essays on aspects of Latinos and Latinas in Midwestern communities for possible publication in an anthology entitled **“Latinos in the Midwest: Essays in Honor of Julian Samora,”** to be published in 2009 as part of the celebration of the 20th Anniversary of JSRI at Michigan State University. Authors of the studies/essays selected for inclusion in the anthology will be invited to present their works at the 20th Anniversary Celebration Conference of JSRI, scheduled for November 6-7, 2009, at the MSU campus. For more information, contact Danny Layne at danny.layne@ssc.msu.edu. **Deadline for proposals is January 16, 2009.**

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