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The Role of Latin American Studies in Breaking Barriers and Bridging Divides

Annual Conference of the North Central Council of Latin Americanists

October 11-13, 2018

University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Eau Claire, WI



Thursday, October 11

6:00pm – 7:30pm

NCCLA Executive Committee Meeting

at The Informalist Restaurant in The Lismore Hotel (Downtown Eau Claire)

7:30pm – 9:00pm

NCCLA Informal Gathering

at The Dive Bar at The Lismore Hotel (Downtown Eau Claire)

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Friday, October 12

Breakfast and Registration 8:00 – 8:30am
Registration Area: Davies Center, Third Floor, by the Elevators
Breakfast Room: Menominee (320 Davies Center)

SESSION I 8:30 – 10:00am

Panel A – Politics and Activism throughout the Hemisphere

Room: Chancellors (311 Davies Center)

Chair: Mariano Magalhães, Augustana College

Collective Mobilization and Political Engagement of Latinos in the US (The Case of Individual Agency within Structural Constraints)

Elena De Costa, Carroll University

‘Cabeza Clara, Corazón Solidario y Puño Combativo:’ A History of Peasant Activism during Guatemala’s Civil War

Bonar Hernández, Iowa State University

Parties, Caucuses, and Religion in Brazil

Pedro A.G. dos Santos (College of Saint Benedict and Saint John’s University), Linsey Modellmog (Washburn University) and Karl Badger (Luther College)

Panel B – Contemporary Issues in Latin America and Latin American Studies

Room: Ho-Chunk (320E Davies Center)

Chair: Analisa DeGrave, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

El sistema de salud en Uruguay

Marta Martínez, Independent scholar

Confronting Femicide: Barriers, Bridges, and Latin American Studies

Kristin E. Pitt, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

La calidad de la democracia en el contexto de la corrupción en América del Sur

Margott Paucar Espinoza, University of Minnesota-Morris

In order to better accommodate conference participants, students and members of the community at the upcoming 2018 NCCLA conference, a select number of panels will be livestreamed to nearby overflow rooms. Presentations will not be recorded; they will be livestreamed on campus only.

SESSION II 10:15 – 11:45am

Panel A – Breaking Barriers/Bridging Divides in Undergraduate Student Research
Room: Chancellors (311 Davies Center)

Chair: Pedro A.G. dos Santos, College of St. Benedict and St. John's University

Examining 'Gap-Filling' and Forms of Knowledge in the Curriculum of the Pirwa After-School Program for Children in Huancarani, Bolivia
Ashley Schwartz, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

The Role of Non-profit Organizations in Latin America
Devanshi Patel, Carroll University

'A Vicious Cycle between Men's Infidelity and Women's Forgiveness': Machismo, Marianismo, and HIV/AIDS Prevention in Chile, Nicaragua, and the U.S. Latinx Population
Eileen Stillwell, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Protest Culture and Women's Movements in Argentina: The Evolution of the Madres de la Plaza de Mayo Movement
Claire Eichhorn, Luther College

Panel B – Literature and Breaking Barriers/Bridging Divides
Room: Ho-Chunk (320E Davies Center)

Chair: Megan Strom, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

A Children's Guide to Argentina's Dirty War, Militant Parents and Exile in Laura Alcoba's *La casa de los Conejos* and *El azul de las abejas*
Margaret Crosby, Alverno College

Dos imperios oscuros de la narcoburguesía en México en *Fiesta en la madriguera* (2010) por Juan Pablo Villalobos
Andrea Carrillo, Indiana University at Bloomington

'Somos hombres de ciencia'. La reivindicación del intelectual científico en *El abrazo de la serpiente* (2015) de Ciro Guerra
Gabriel Antúnez de Mayolo Kou, Washington University in St. Louis

De Gabriel García Márquez a Juan Gabriel Vásquez: El sutil pero esperado cambio literario generacional en Colombia
Germán David Carrillo, Marquette University

12:00 – 1:15pm
Buffet Lunch, Welcome, Presidential Address Announcements,
and Award of Merit Presentation
Room: Ojibwe (330C Davies Center)

1:15-2:15pm
Plenary Session
Room: Ojibwe Grand Ballroom (Davies Center)
Developing and Maintaining Latin American Studies Programs
Eduardo Magalhães (Chair), Julie Kline, Elena De Costa, Margaret Crosby,
and Aimee Lee Orndorf

SESSION III 2:30 – 4:00pm

Panel A – Supporting Learning Skills with Pedagogical Tools
Room: Chancellors (311 Davies Center)

Chair: Shane Boeder, Marian University

Mejoramiento de la calidad educativa mediante la enseñanza de técnicas de comprensión y velocidad lectora con asistencia de programas de software

Presenters: Rocío Del Pilar Pastor Rodríguez (Laboratorios Bagó) and Leonor Zegarra (Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería – UNI Perú)

Co-author: Hector Santisteban (Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería – UNI Perú)

Herramientas computacionales para acelerar el aprendizaje de una segunda lengua aplicadas en una escuela rural de la costa peruana

Presenters: Jorge A. Raymundo M. (Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica) and Antony Alexander Porras (Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería - UNI Perú)

Co-Authors: Rocío Del Pilar Pastor Rodríguez (Laboratorios Bagó) and Paco Márquez (Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica UNICA)

Aprendizaje de altas matemáticas utilizando herramientas computacionales - caso de campo de la facultad de ingeniería de sistemas de la Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica

Presenters: Hilda Mery Herrera P. (Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica - UNICA) and Wilfredo García Rodas (Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería - UNI Perú)

Co-Authors: Eduardo Cajaleón, Erwin López (Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería - UNI Perú), Juan Jiménez G. (UNICA), and J. Samuel Armacanqui T. (ICI-International Center of Innovation Gaia)

Pedagogía en armonía con la naturaleza dentro de una Economía Circular

Presenters: Bertha O. Saavedra and José Marín Lara (Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica UNICA), Diego Arunategui (Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería UNI Perú)

Co-Authors: Erwin Peña C (Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica UNICA) and Eduardo Castro (Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería - UNI Perú)

Panel B – Examining Race and Ethnicity

Room: Ho-Chunk (320E Davies Center)

Chair: Manuel Fernández, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Pachuco Voices from Tucson: Inter-Ethnic and Inter-Racial Youth Cultural Dynamics in Tucson, Arizona, 1920-1950

Gerardo Licón, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Re-envisioning Limón: Chinese-West Indian Interaction Along Costa Rica's Atlantic Coast, 1873-1943

Benjamín Narváez, University of Minnesota-Morris

A More Amorphous Latin Identity: Lessons from Brazil's Tropicália

Geoff Guevara-Geer, Ripon College

Race and Reconstruction in *The Story of Evangelina Cisneros*

Thomas Genova, University of Minnesota-Morris

SESSION IV

4:15 – 5:45pm

Panel A – Teaching Spanish for the Health Professions: Breaking Barriers

Room: Chancellors (311 Davies Center)

Chair: Christine Hippert, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

Breaking Barriers in the Undergraduate Setting

Megan Strom, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

Breaking Barriers through Individualized Conversation Sessions with Health Professionals

Bailey Bogatitus and Megan Strom, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

Breaking Barriers through Spanish Classes for Health Professionals

Sara Seymour and Megan Strom, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse

Panel B – Subversiones narrativas: Reconstrucciones poéticas de espacios urbanos en el Caribe

Room: Ho-Chunk (320E Davies Center)

Chair: Elia Armacanqui-Tipacti, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

Santo Domingo: Espacios de subversión en la poética de Rita Indiana Hernández
Vialcary Crisóstomo Tejada, University of Connecticut

La representación de la ciudad como ejercicio de fundación en *Te daré de comer como a los pájaros* de Reina María Rodríguez
Eilyn Lombard, University of Connecticut

La Habana marginal en *La sombra del caminante* de Ena Lucía Portela
Reynaldo Lastre, University of Connecticut

El circo nuestro de cada día: espacios urbanos y precariedad en *La troupe Samsonite* de Francisco Font Acevedo
Stephanie Mercado Irizarry, University of Connecticut

Panel C Roundtable – Nicaragua: Recent Events in the Context of Years of Change

Room: Council Oak (260 Davies Center)

Alan Schulz (Central America Resource Alliance) and Steve Watrous (Milwaukee Central American Solidarity Coalition)

6:00-7:15pm—Dinner
Room: Ojibwe (330C Davies Center)
Cash Bar Open During Dinner Time

7:15-9:00pm:
LAS Scholarship Award Presentation and Keynote Address
Room: Ojibwe Grand Ballroom (Davies Center)

2018 Latin American Studies Book Award Recipient:

Katherine A. Kocen

2018 Latin American Studies Scholarship Award Recipient:

Mirella Espino

As a McNair Scholar, Latin American Studies Language Emphasis Major, and Political Science Major, Ms. Espino has participated on a faculty-student research project with Professors Abootalebi and Licón focused on the Confederation of Mexican Workers (CTM) and their role in the Mexican Labor Movement. This research project led Ms. Espino to Nieves, Zacatecas (Mexico) and the headquarters of the CTM in Mexico City. During the same time, Ms. Espino interned with the Latin American News Digest, an internship through which she had the opportunity to write two stories: The first focused on the ex-governor of Veracruz, Javier Duarte de Ochoa, who has been charged with corruption, and the second article focused on the ongoing Venezuelan immigrant crisis. Currently, Ms. Espino and Professor Licón are doing a cost-benefit analysis of providing unauthorized immigrants driving licenses in Eau Claire.

KEYNOTE ADDRESS:

Redefining the Here and Now: Political Undercurrents and Submerged Perspectives

by

Macarena Gómez-Barris

Pratt Institute

Chairperson of the Department of Social Science and Cultural Studies

Director of the Global South Center

Extending ideas from her new book *Beyond the Pink Tide* (2018), Macarena Gómez-Barris considers art and political imaginaries from across the Americas to argue for the importance of political undercurrents and submerged perspectives.

Working from spaces across Latin/America and thinking against the normativity of nation-state formations, this talk addresses failed political desires and exhausted economic systems of dispossession. By focusing on experimental film, visual arts, geo-choreographies, and their connection to multidirectional social movements, Gómez-Barris shows what we can learn from the histories and imaginaries of the Americas as we redefine the meaning of the political in the here and now.

Saturday, October 13

Breakfast and Registration 8:00 – 8:30am
Registration Area: Davies Center, Third Floor, by the Elevators
Breakfast Room: Menominee (320 Davies Center)

SESSION V 8:30 – 10:00am

Panel A – Breaking Barriers in the Classroom: Pedagogical Strategies in Latin American Studies

Room: Chancellors (311 Davies Center)

Chair: Margaret Crosby, Alverno College

Experiential Learning in Latin America and the Caribbean with Witness for Peace
Garrett Rogers and Linsey Modellmog, Washburn University

El papel de los medios en la relación de Latinoamérica y los Estados Unidos
Elia J. Armacanqui-Tipacti, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

Montessori Goes to College: Teaching Latin American Studies through Student-Centered
Curriculum and Civic Engagement
Paul Dosh, Macalester College

Panel B – Cultural Preservation, Culture Change

Room: Ho-Chunk (320E Davies Center)

Chair: Benjamín Narváez, University of Minnesota-Morris

‘El dinero de la discordia:’ A Support Group Struggles for Solidarity in a Rural New Destination
Community
Cristina Ortiz, University of Minnesota-Morris

Spanish Identity and Language Preservation in Louisiana: The Decimero Men
Lauren Pakanich and Fabiola Varela García, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

A Linguistic Study in Apparent Time: Spanish Language Maintenance in the Voices of the Elders of
Saint Bernard Parish, Louisiana
Fabiola Varela García, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Women and Microloans in Nicaragua: Changes in Standard of Living?
Hannah Bryson and Analisa DeGrave, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Panel C – Use of IT-Technology for Development and Language Preservation
Room: Centennial (320A and 320B Davies Center)

Chair: Elena De Costa, Carroll University

La computadora de alto rendimiento más potente de Latinoamérica y su impacto en la educación, investigación y desarrollo de la región – Compartiendo experiencias de la Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica

Presenter: Edgar Peña (Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica-UNICA)

Co-Authors: Paco Márquez and Juan Jiménez (UNICA)

La preservación de lenguas indígenas y su identidad cultural mediante aplicaciones móviles gratuitas – Contribución al rescatar lenguas indígenas en peligro de extinción

Presenters: Juan Jimenez (Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica-UNICA), Luis Campos Baca, and Isaac Ocampo Yahuarcani

(IIAP Instituto de Investigaciones de la Amazonía Peruana, Iquitos)

Co-Authors: Paco Márquez (Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica-UNI) and J. Samuel Armacanqui T. (ICI-International Center of Innovation Gaia)

El uso de inteligencia artificial para explotación eficiente y sostenible de recursos naturales en el Perú

Presenters: Paco Márquez (Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica) and

Guillermo Prudencio (Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería, Lima UNI-Perú)

Co-Authors: Maria Viera, Guillermo Prudencio (Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería, UNI Perú)

SESSION VI 10:15 – 11:45am

Panel A – Mexico: Changing Politics, Changing Identities

Room: Chancellors (311 Davies Center)

Chair: Gerardo Licón, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

My Own Mexicanidad: An Introspective Analysis of Ethnic Self-Suppression Through the Eyes of a Linguist

Mitchell Baroni, Chippewa Valley Technical College

What's Progressive about Leftist Mayors? Mexico City under Mayor Marcelo Ebrard

Paul Dosh, Macalester College

The Amnesty Proposal of Mexico's Newly Elected President

Bill Katra, Independent scholar

Panel B – Development and the Environment

Room: Ho-Chunk (320E Davies Center)

Chair: Fabiola Varela García, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

Expandiendo el concepto de la Economía Circular - Las cuatro R's que faltan - Reaprender, Reemplazar, Regular y Regenerar, para un desarrollo sostenible

Presenters: Erwin Peña C. (Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica -UNICA), J. Samuel Armacanqui T. (ICI-International Center of Innovation Gaia), and Stephany Gabriela Sayritupac Oloachea (Universidad Alas Peruanas de Ica).

Co-Authors: Ofelia Saavedra S. (Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica -UNICA), Luz Eyzaguirre and César Luján (Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería UNI Perú).

Siembra y cosecha de agua para la creación de microclima y reducir efectos climáticos adversos en la Serranía de Ica – Perú -

Presenter: Cesar Diez Chirinos (Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería UNI Perú)

Co-Authors: Hugo Chirinos C., Gregorio Salazar, Teodosio Quispe, Loren Garcia R. (Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería UNI Perú), Patricia P. Huaranca C., José Guevara B., and Antonina J. García (Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica).

Mejoramiento ambiental de la Ciudad de Ica mediante el uso de plantas móviles de tratamiento de aguas residuales para el riego sostenible de parques y jardines

Presenter: José C. Rodríguez C. (Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica-UNICA)

Co-Authors: Tito Vilchez V. (Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería UNI Perú) and Manuel Ramos D. (IR-HIMRN-MARCONA-ESSALUD)

Pérdida de rendimientos en diversos cultivos en el Valle de Ica debido a eventos climáticos extremos

Presenters: María del Carmen Cárdenas

Co-Authors: Juan Musto, Margarita Torres and Carlos Córdova (Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica), Romel Valqui R. (Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería UNI Perú), and Carmen Crispín H. (Sumitomo)

Towards an Integrated Solution of the Impact of Freezing Temperature in the Andean Mountains

Presenters: César S. Diez C, Enrique Sarmiento S., and J. Melchor Vásquez G.

(Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería UNI Perú)

Co-Authors: J. Samuel Armacanqui T. (ICI-International Center of Innovation Gaia) Linder E. Bazán, Loren Garcia R. (Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería UNI Perú), and Rosario Bendezú and Hamilton Wilson (Universidad Nacional San Luis Gonzaga de Ica-UNICA)

Buffet Lunch: Noon-1pm

Room: Ojibwe (330C Davies Center)

Teaching and Learning Workshop: 1-3pm

Room: Centennial (320A and 320B Davies Center)

Using Films and Documentaries to Teach Latin America