Latin American & Latino/a Studies presents the

12th Annual

Latina/o Communities Conference



Building Bridges / Construyendo Puentes

Guest Speakers:

Doug Swanson, University of Pittsburgh

Cult of Glory: The Bold And Brutal History Of The Texas Rangers

A history of the Texas Rangers' abuse and terrorizing of the Mexican population.

Gia Del Pino and Lourdes Gonzalez, Colibrí Center for Human Rights

The Missing and Disappeared Immigrants at the US-Mexico Border

Presentation on the status of missing immigrants at the US-Mexico border.

Xelena González, author, and Adriana M. García, illustrator

Circles and Gems

Discussion of the experiences in the creation and publication of children's books.

Panels, presentations, and workshops on a wide range of topics and issues for understanding Latina/o communities, including: immigration, education, health, literature, theatre, voting, culture, social sciences, community organizations, and many more...

Wednesday, September 30, 2020 West Chester University

Classes Welcome! Free and open to the public. For more information and to register go to: http://www.wcupa.edu/latinoconference/

Latina/o Communities Conference Schedule

Wednesday, September 30, 2020

8:30 am	Welcome Remarks	
Time	Track A:	Track B
9:00-9:50 am	Panel 1 Services that make a Big Impact for Low Income Families in our Communities Alma Vidal, Cecilia Arce, Kirby L. Wycoff, Chester County Maternal and Child Health Consortium	Panel 2 Dialogic Education for Love and Transformation Obed Arango, María Guadalupe Castillo, Horacio De La Luz, María de Lourdes Flores, Holly Link, Diana Lugo, Laura Sánchez, Centro de Cultura, Arte, Trabajo y Educación (CCATE)
	La Comunidad Hispana Escalera Program Norma Diego-Flores, LCH Health and Community Services	Curating Educational Spaces with Autohistoria- Teoría and Conocimiento: A Decolonial Feminist Teacher Inquiry Leslie C. Sotomayor, Edinboro University
10:00-10:50 am	Guest Speaker: Doug Swanson, University of Pittsburgh Cult of Glory: The Bold And Brutal History Of The Texas Rangers	
11:00-11:50 am	Panel 3 The COVID-19 Pandemic and the Latinx community Heather Edelblute, WCU Health Alma Vidal, Chester County Maternal and Child Health Consortium George Escobar, CASA	Panel 4 Loretta Perna: An Outstanding Educator Supporting Latinx Students in Kennett Square, Pennsylvania Guadalupe Ortíz Cortéz, Sonia Castano-García, Estéfani Sanchez Fonseca, Marlen Cordova and Angel Chimal Rodriguez. Facilitators: Power Start team: Emily Elmore and Raúl Olmo Fregoso Bailón, WCU Education
12:00-12:50 pm	Lunch Break Latino Professionals Luncheon Group of Chester County Scholarship Awards Music by Paula Rivera-Dantagnan	
1:00-1:50 pm	Guest Speakers: Gia Del Pino and Lourdes Gonzalez, Colibrí Center for Human Rights The Missing and Disappeared Immigrants at the US-Mexico Border	
2:00-2:50 pm	Guest Speakers: Xelena González, children's book author, and Adriana M. García, illustrator Circles and Gems	

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3:00-3:50 pm	Panel 5 The Impact of the Latino Vote Nelly Jimenez, Governor's Advisory Commission of Latino Affairs Emilio A. Buitrago, Governor's Advisory Commission of Latino Affairs Christopher Jaramillo, Norristown NAACP Angelique Hinton, Norristown NAACP	Panel 6 Scholar-Activist Identity: When Scholarship Meets Action Stephen Santa-Ramirez, University of Buffalo, Dawn Demps, Arizona State University When the Stars Align for Luna: A Latinx Theatrical Experience Adriana Dominguez, UT El Paso The Transnational Geographies of Immigrant Girls as Caregivers Melisa Argañaraz Gomez, University of Maryland
4:00-4:15 pm	Closing Remarks	

Post-conference event: A virtual Tour of Dutchirican: a Latinx History of Central Pennsylvania Exhibition link will be posted on our website for the month of October.