Faculty Spotlight!

Manuel Pastor
Professor of Sociology and American Studies and Ethnicity

Dr. Manuel Pastor is Professor of American Studies & Ethnicity at the University of Southern California where he also serves as Director of USC’s Program for Environmental and Regional Equity (PERE) and co-Director of USC’s Center for the Study of Immigrant Integration (CSII). Founding director of the Center for Justice, Tolerance, and Community at the University of California, Santa Cruz, Pastor holds an economics Ph.D. from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and has received fellowships from the Danforth, Guggenheim, and Kellogg foundations and grants from the Irvine Foundation, the Rockefeller Foundation, the Ford Foundation, the National Science Foundation, the Hewlett Foundation, the California Environmental Protection Agency, the California Wellness Foundation, and many others.

In recent years, his research has focused on the economic, environmental and social conditions facing low-income urban communities in the U.S., resulting in articles published in Economic Development Quarterly, Review of Regional Studies, Social Science Quarterly, Journal of Economic Issues, Journal of Urban Affairs, Urban Geography, and elsewhere. He has also conducted research on Latin American economic conditions, with articles published in journals such as International Organization, World Development, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Latin American Studies, Latin American Research Review, and Foreign Affairs. His most recent book, Uncommon Common Ground: Race and America’s Future (W.W. Norton 2010; co-authored with Angela Glover Blackwell and Stewart Kwoh), documents the gap between progress in racial attitudes and racial realities, and offers a new set of strategies for both talking about race and achieving racial equity.

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Project ReMiX: We are Ethnic Studies!

Wednesday, October 24, 2012 | 12:00pm—1:30 pm | El Centro, 3rd Floor of the UUC

Come and meet a panel of esteemed USC American Studies and Ethnicities faculty and discuss the state of Ethnic Studies and why it matters to you!

Learn about what each of the faculty members are researching, what they teach, and what matters to them and why.

Lunch is provided! Stop by and meet with the ASE faculty in an intimate setting. For more info go to: http://www.facebook.com/pages/University-of-Southern-California-El-Centro-Chicano/111403224558?fref=ts#/events/539340212750206/?fref=ts

Faculty Panel includes: Dr. Francille Wilson, Dr. Susie Woo and more!
**Trojan Family Weekend: Unity Tailgate Raffle**

Saturday, October 20th, 2012 | 10:30am-1:00pm
| McCarthy Quad | Purchase Your Raffle Tickets for an array of great prizes including 2 Tickets to SC vs Colorado, Junior Seau #55 Jersey, & tons of other great gifts, including Gift Cards, Certificates, etc. Winners will be announced at 1pm, but do not need to be present!

Raffle tickets: 1 X $3 or 2 X $5 (Cash Only)
Help support USC El Centro and our program & services!

Fight On!

**Latino Floor’s Dia De Los Muertos—Volunteers!**

Friday, October 26th, 2012 | 7:00am-2:00pm | Latino Floor

Interested in learning about Dia de los Muertos? Simply looking for a place to celebrate the holiday? Join the Latino Floor and volunteer for our annual Dia de los Muertos celebration! You can be a part of an amazing crew that puts together fun activities such as sugar skull decorating and a haunted house. The event takes place within USC’s Fluor Tower and aims to benefit hundreds of elementary school children from around the area. If you are interested in being a part of the celebration as a volunteer please email Javier Martinez at mart358@usc.edu or sign up at:

https://www.facebook.com/events/392932670775220/

**Internship Programs Office**

**PAID INTERNSHIPS:**

- **Enterprise Rent-a-Car** - Internationally recognized rental car brand with more than 6,000 neighborhood and airport locations in the US, Canada, U.K., Ireland and Germany
  Management Trainee Intern | Job ID 6096

- **Google, Inc.** - American multinational corporation which provides Internet-related products and services, including internet search, cloud computing, software and advertising technologies
  Software Engineering Intern - Summer 2013 | Job ID 6485

- **Transportation Foundation of Los Angeles** - provides education, training, and advancement of knowledge toward development of public transportation systems
  Environmental Engineering Intern | Job ID 6471

**UNPAID INTERNSHIPS:**

- **City of Los Angeles, Office of Finance** - provides efficient, effective, and responsible revenue collection and treasury services through a customer focused environment to taxpayers and City departments
  Business Analyst Intern | Job ID 6351

**For much more information:**
Contact the Internship Programs Office in STU B1 or log on to connectSC at http://careers.usc.edu
Save the Date: 2nd L.A. Power Trip to Homeboy Industries!

Friday, November 2nd, 2012 | Early Afternoon | Homeboy Industries

Make sure to join us on our second L.A. Power trip to Homeboy Industries. Sponsored by the Latina/o Student Assembly (LSA) and El Centro Chicano, these power trips are a great way to learn more about and explore the greater Los Angeles area. Don’t miss out! More information coming soon! SAVE THE DATE!

HSF Scholar Chapter at USC Tamale Fundraiser!

The Hispanic Scholarship Fund Chapter at USC is selling Tamales to content the hungry people of Troy! There are three types of tamales for sale:

1. Chile Verde con Pollo (chicken)
2. Chile Rojo con Puerco (pork)
3. Rajas con Queso (cheese and green chile)

Tamales are being sold for $1.50 each however there is a minimum of 4 tamales per order. (If you order less than 4 tamales, your order cannot be completed.) However if you buy a dozen of tamales (kind of tamale doesn’t matter) then its only $15 (you save $3).

All Tamales are made with much love and care by Jorge De Avila’s mom and are guaranteed to bring smiles to all Trojans.

Tamales will be distributed on Monday, October 29
Last Day to order is Thursday, October 25 at 5:00 pm
An email will be sent 4 days before distribution to confirm your order.

Follow this link to order!

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?fromEmail=true&formkey=dDNkdU51OU5hNU5hSUxVVHVVUERVQ3c6MQ

https://www.facebook.com/events/164245217048487/

For Questions, contact HSF Scholar Chapter at USC at hsf.usc@gmail.com
USC Center for Women and Men: October Events

What: Center for Women and Men - Vivian Belle Scholarship
When: Applications available: http://www.usc.edu/student-affairs/cwm/  Where: Applications can be submitted electronically to Danielle Lancon, Director, at lancon@usc.edu or in person to the Center for Women and Men.
Details: This scholarship is awarded to female freshmen students who have demonstrated work and commitment in the area of gender justice and facilitates their continued work in this area at the University of Southern California and in the community. This scholarship, founded by Belle Vivian, will be awarded annually to two students at the University of Southern California. Each recipient will receive $5,000 in the form of tuition reimbursement for one academic year. More information on applicant eligibility and scholarship details can be found online at http://www.usc.edu/student-affairs/cwm/

What: Women’s Empowerment Group
When: Thursdays at 4pm. Where: Student Union, Suite 202 (CWM)
Details: The Center for Women and Men runs a weekly drop-in Women’s Group. The support group is for women who have experienced gender-based violence, such as sexual assault, harassment, stalking or abuse. The sessions will be supervised by a CWM counselor and will be safe and confidential. It’s a place to connect with other survivors, gain support and continue healing. Like all of our counseling services, it’s free. No appointments necessary. For more information, contact Sheetal Chib at schib@usc.edu, call 213-740-4900, or stop by CWM.

What: Men Care Nominations
When: Ongoing. Where: CWM
Details: Do you know a man who you’re proud to call a friend? Consider nominating him for membership in Men Care, USC’s premier all-male peer-education program. Men Care seeks freshmen, sophomores and juniors to lead discussions with student groups throughout campus about bystander courage and healthy expressions of masculinity. Look for the nomination form at http://sait.usc.edu/mencare/pages/become_educator.html. If you have questions, please contact the Center for Women and Men at 213-740-4900.

“Meet, Eat and Grab a Bite to Eat!” - American Studies and Ethnicities Major/Minor Information Session

Thursday, October 25th, 2012 | 11:30 am—1:30 pm | KAP 445

Are you interested in the majors of African American Studies? Chicano/Latino Studies? American Studies & Ethnicities? Come explore our majors and fall courses, mingle with the faculty and grab lunch while you’re at it!

Contact Cynthia Mata Flores for any questions at:

(213) 740-3198 or at cmflores@usc.edu
UCLA Law Fellows Program—Deadline Extended to November 15, 2012!

The Law Fellows Program provides early academic outreach to high-potential undergraduate, recent graduates, and graduate students with strong academic backgrounds and minimum 3.3 cumulative GPA at a four-year undergraduate institution. The program is committed to ensuring equity, access, and excellence in legal education. A strong preference is granted to applicants whose experiences reflect limited familial exposure to post-collegiate education, career opportunities, mentoring, and social support systems. Additional consideration is also given to applicants who have overcome economic and/or educational hardships and challenges, or come from or demonstrated experience in economically or educationally underserved communities. The Program focuses on students’ academic development, with the objective of increasing the participants’ academic competitiveness for admission to law school. Law Fellows are strongly encouraged to participate in outreach activities aimed at serving the various community segments of Southern California.

Law Fellows attend a series of Saturday Academies held at UCLA School of Law in the winter and spring, where they are provided with academic enrichment, career development activities and mentoring designed to de-mystify law school and the legal profession, and also present these objectives as viable options. The program prepares participating Law Fellows to successfully enter and excel in top law programs and, eventually, legal careers. Through the Saturday Academies, Law Fellows are afforded access to a variety of events, programs and services, including:

- Professional-Level Instruction by Law School Faculty
- Personalized Juris Doctorate (Law Degree) Action Plan
- Mentoring by Current UCLA Law Students
- Admissions and Financial Aid Workshops
- Legal Research Training by Law Library Staff
- UCLA Extension LSAT Instruction
- Full Scholarships for LSAT Preparation Course
- Presentations by Practicing Attorneys and Leaders in the Law Community
- Follow-Up Activities and Counseling until Law School Matriculation

For any additional information, please feel free to contact us at (310) 794-4157 or Outreach@law.ucla.edu.

MEChA—West Coast Organizer Boot Camp

Saturday, November 3rd, 2012—Sunday, November 4, 2012 | USC Campus

MEChA de USC, along with United Students Against Sweatshops and STAND are co-hosting the West Coast Organizer Boot Camp at the University of Southern California from November 3-4. At the conference student activists from USAS, MEChA, and STAND will hold two days of workshops about how to run successful campaigns on your campus to fight tuition hikes, support campus workers, fight for immigrants rights, and so much more! Our workshops include direct action, how to get media, and how to mobilize hundreds of students on your campus.

Register at: http://usas.org/get-involved/west-coast-boot-camp-2012/
Become a Mentor or Mentee in the LGBT Resource Center’s Peer Mentoring Program!

Are you dealing with a difficult challenge in your life? Do you think you may be lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or are you questioning your sexuality and/or gender identity? Do you want to talk to someone confidentially about your personal concerns? If so, become a mentee in the LGBT Peer Mentoring Program (LGBTPMP) and work with a caring, dynamic peer mentor on personal, social, academic, career and lifestyle goals! If you are secure in your sense of identity and want to help others in difficult situations, then become a mentor in the LGBTPMP.

Apply now: www.usc.edu/lgbt/mentoring.
Info: mypeermentor@gmail.com

The Corner Group: LGBTQ Support Group

This group is for all members of the LGBTQI community for support on topics that are decided by the students. Topics may include, but are not limited to: sexual and gender identity concerns; developing meaningful relationships; connecting with or trusting others; dating; family relationships; feeling marginalized; spiritual concerns; and balancing academics and personal life. Undergraduate and graduate students welcome. Confidentiality is a priority.

Please contact Ekta Kumar, MA or Elizabeth Reyes PhD at 213-740-7711 for more information. Fall 2012: Time to be determined based on students’ schedules.

USC Queer People of Color Student Organization

The purpose of this organization is to serve as a bridge between the Queer People of Color and the surrounding community of USC and it’s neighborhood. It also serves to be a discussion and advocate group for the Racial Minorities, LGBT Community and those who identify in both groups to recognize cultural struggles and actively improving the surrounding communities.

USC Queer People of Color is the first club to focus on the Minority Groups which lie within the LGBTQIA community. We come together as a group Wednesday at 8pm every other week in VKC 154. Meetings consist of discussions between diversity of backgrounds, community building exercises and caucuses designed on how we can fight the assimilation faced by Queer Minorities. This is a new organization for the Queer and Ally Student Assembly, all people from all backgrounds are welcome. You do not have to be “minority” to come, you must however have an interest in learning about atypical backgrounds and an open mind of others.

Please contact the group founder, Matthew Del Muro, if you have any questions at mdelmuro@usc.edu.
Omega Phi Beta Sorority: Upcoming Events

8th Annual Radiant Homecoming Weekend, Thursday November 8th - November 11 @ USC, Contact : Nancy Talamanetes / Email: bellator.ace@gmail.com

Bless My Hustle Tank/Shirt Sale: We are partnering up with Monica Rivera’s Bless My Hustle brand, and selling "All We Do Is Win" apparel line through out Fall 2012. Tanks and Shirts will be sold for $20 each. The following sizes are available [XS, S, M, L, X-Large]. If you are looking to purchase a shirt please contact Jessica Guevara at (323) 906-6446

FB Event Page: http://www.facebook.com/events/342711739155856/?ref=ts

Game Changer Rewind: Thumbs Up!

Tuesday, October 16th, 2012 | 7:30pm—8:30 pm | El Centro Chicano

El Centro’s 1st Leadership Development & Skill Building Series event of the year: Game Changer, was a huge success! Congrats Josh Sena, ECC SPA and ECC staff team on a great program that was thoughtful, insightful & students took a lot from!

Game Changer began with viewing the 2nd Presidential Debate Live, followed by a short debrief & reflection where students were able to discuss their opinions and speak about politics globally and at USC.

What followed was a wonderful panel with extensive experience in fields such as political internships, running for office and internal campus politics. Featured guests included Juan Espinoza, executive director of Program Board, Evelyn Larsos, NALEO representative, Democratic National Convention delegate Bertrand Pedromo, David Hernandez interned at the White House this summer and Astrid Solorzano, freelance reporter for Univision. Fight On!