Faculty Spotlight!

Reynaldo Baca
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Reynaldo Baca is Co-Director of the Center for Multilingual, Multicultural Research. In this capacity, he oversees the direction of the USC Latino and Language Minority Teacher Project designed for paraeducators becoming bilingual teachers, the Bank America-funded Language Minority Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment Program for new teachers, and the CMMR Doctoral Fellowship Program in Language Minority Teacher Education. He is President of the Sociology of Education Association, on the editorial board of Teacher Education Quarterly, and has served as a consultant on language minority teacher education to the U.S. Department of Education, on program evaluation and school reform to several school districts across the nation, and serves on the governing board of two Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment Programs in Southern California. He specializes in the sociology of education, minority education, immigrant and migrant education, language minorities, and urban education. He has conducted research on the development of gap-reduction evaluation models for language minority program, binational migrant and immigrant settlement patterns, citizenship and residency rights for newcomers, academic variability among immigrant and migrant students of Mexican heritage, and evaluations on educational program interventions.

Expertise:
- political sociology of education
- educational program evaluation and reform
- Mexican immigration, migration and education
- new teacher induction
- urban education
- bilingual and multicultural education

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Las Abuelas de Plaza de Mayo & The Search for Identity

Thursday, March 8, 2012 | 7:30pm - 9:30pm | TCC 227

Las Abuelas de Plaza de Mayo and the Search for Identity. The documentary is a labor of love for Dr. C.A. Tuggle, the Director of the Journalism Program at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Tuggle began work on this film with his 2 daughters and former students during a teaching trip to Buenos Aires, Argentina in the summer of 2009.

It is the story of a period in Argentina’s history known as The Dirty War, when a military dictatorship controlled the country. From 1976-1983, human rights advocates estimate as many as 30,000 people were tortured and killed, 800 of whom were pregnant women or new mothers. In many cases, it is believed the babies born to these women were taken away and given to supporters of the military. The film tells the story of a group of women, Las Abuelas (the grandmothers). Since the kidnappings in the 70s and 80s, these women have made it their life’s mission to find these children, many of who are now in their 30s.

The film focuses on the basic question: “Is the right to know who you are a basic human right?” Through more than 40 in-depth interviews, historical material and relevant literature, Tuggle and his two daughters, both graduates of the UNC School of Journalism, Brynne Miller and Bethany Parker, along with the help of several others affiliated with UNC seek to educate people about what happened in Argentina and the work that is still continued today by Las Abuelas.


Peace Camp Teacher Needed for 2012

The Peace Center of United University Church is now interviewing for paid part-time Peace Camp Teachers for Summer 2012. Peace Camp – July 9- August 3, weekdays from 8 a.m. till 3 p.m. These teachers will be co-leading a group of children 5-7, 7-10 years old or youth 11-17 years old. The teachers will teach from a peace and justice curriculum developed for this program but will have the ability to have input in the program.

Contact Susan Stouffer at stouffer@usc.edu or 213-748-0209, x 13 for inquiries.

Peace Camp Lead Teachers/Asst. Teachers

For Peace Camp 2012, we will be hiring at least one youth teacher and 2 children’s teachers for Peace Camp – two assistant teachers. Peace Camp is an intensive peacemaking experience for children and youth and engages qualified teachers in peace with justice education and practices. We are not explicitly Christian but broadly speak of God/Creator in the religious traditions of many peace heroes.

A Peace Camp Teacher will work specifically during the Peace Camp hours of 9-3 with teachers’ meetings from 8-9 and 2-3. The Peace Camp Teacher will work under the supervision of the Peace Camp Director who is also the Director of the Peace Center of United University Church. The Peace Camp Lead Teachers will take the lead in planning and implementing the curriculum with either children or youth and supervising the children or youth. The Assistant Teachers will help the Lead Teacher implement the Curriculum and generally supervise the education and activities of the children or youth.

Qualifications:
- Reliability
- Experience working with children/youth
- Experience/Interest in Social Justice Work/Peacemaking
- A Strong Commitment to Non-violence
- A strong grounding in peacemaking practices
- Good verbal communication skills
- Good organizational and interpersonal skills
- Ability to pass background check
- Ability to take initiative
- Punctuality

Responsibilities:
1) Co-lead educational and experiential curriculum in peacemaking from 9 a.m. till 2 p.m. for about 20 children or youth
2) Meet from 8-9 a.m. every weekday for planning meeting and 2-3 p.m. for processing meeting
3) Closely supervise about 20 children or youth from 9 a.m. till 2 p.m.
4) Model peacemaking behavior in interactions with staff, children/youth and others
5) Ongoing Problem solving about how to help all children in program succeed
6) Communicate regularly with Peace Camp Director, other teachers, and parents
7) Organize supplies and activities and clean up afterwards
8) Monitor campus activities related to peace and justice issues and keep the Peace Center Director informed.
9) Assist with other projects of the Peace Center as needed.

For much more information:
Contact the Internship Programs Office in STUB 1 or log on to connectSC at http://careers.usc.edu
**Nestle Retail Operations Hispanic Internship program**

Date: Today, March 6, 2012  |  Time: All Day

Nestle Retail Operations Hispanic Internship program is looking for an additional 5 candidates that would be a great fit for their team. Do you fit the following criteria?

Requirements:
* Currently pursuing a BS/BA Degree required (Business Administration, Communications, Psychology and Marketing/Sales majors preferred)
* Graduating senior with expected graduation date in 6-12 months (i.e. Winter 2012 - Spring 2013)
* Must have a minimum 3.00 cumulative GPA
* Must have intermediate to advanced working knowledge of Microsoft Office
* Able to utilize basic Excel function wizard for look ups and creating charts.
* Able to create presentations in PowerPoint to include charts from Excel and pictures.
* Available to work during summer 2012 (10 complete, uninterrupted weeks)
* Able to reside/work in greater Los Angeles area
* Access to a car, have a valid driver’s license, have insurance coverage’s of $100,000/$300,000/$500,000
* Leadership in extra-curricular activity/organization preferred
* Previous Co-op or other practical experience is desirable
* Must have initiative, responsibility, leadership potential and a solid work ethic * Must be willing to relocate to any Nestle Hispanic team location upon successful completion of the internship program, conferring of degree and being extended a full-time offer
* High interest in sales
* Conversational / bilingual in Spanish
* Permanent authorization to work in the US
* Valid Driver’s License
* Ability to lift and carry 55 pounds

If interested please email: **Yared.Salgado@us.nestle.com**

**Opportunities for USC Students**

There are many opportunities available through USC and otherwise that many of you may have participated in, or know of anyone that has participated in each. If you’ve participated in any of the following please follow the link so that we can share your experiences with other students that want to take a part of them, who might have questions about them.

Alternative Spring Break, GlobalFellows Program, INROADS, Institute for the Recruitment of Teachers (IRT), JEP, Management Leadership for Tomorrow (MLT), Project 1000, Sponsors for Educational Opportunity (SEO), Studying abroad (any location), UCLA Law fellows program, USCGlobal Medical Brigades, USC Global Water Brigades, USC McNair Scholars Program

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dFJOb0U1MVlrN3hoaktxMHZUenJTdHc6MQ

If you have any questions please feel free to email Fabiola Ariva at favina@usc.edu.

**El Centro is HIRING for the Summer!**

El Centro is STILL looking for SUMMER 2012 STAFF. If you are interested turn in an application to us by Friday, March 9th or before. You can work up to 40 hours per week, we do a lot of projects for upcoming year. And with the 40th Celebration coming in Fall 2012, summer will be exciting & fun! If you have any questions email Billy Vela at wvela@usc.edu. Fight On!

Find the application here: http://sait.usc.edu/elcentro/about/employment.aspx

**El Centro E-Newsletter**
Workshop on Race in Colonial Latin America: the State of the Field

Kathryn J. Burns, Professor of History, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
María Elena Martínez, Associate Professor of History, USC
David Sartorius, Assistant Professor of History, University of Maryland

Please send rsvp to martinem@college.usc.edu

For more info: http://dornsife.usc.edu/events/site/73/895871/workshop-on-race-in-colonial-latin-america-the-state-of-the-field/

UC Davis Health System Department of Surgery Pre-Medical Surgical Internship & Mentorship Program

The UC Davis Health System Department of Surgery Pre-Medical Surgical Internship & Mentorship Program is a unique opportunity open to all pre-medical students to be mentored by faculty, residents, interns, and medical students in the nationally recognized UC Davis Health System Department of Surgery.

This program is open to ALL pre-medical students regardless of year, academic standing, or academic institution. If you are interested in a career in medicine you are eligible to apply!

All undergraduate, graduate, and post-baccalaureate students from all institutions planning on applying to medical school are eligible. This includes community college, CSU, UC, private university, and graduating high school students who are at least 17 years old.

Setting
The site for the program is the UC Davis Medical Center in Sacramento, CA. This 650-bed hospital is the major teaching affiliate for the UC Davis School of Medicine. The Hospital serves an area of tremendous diversity in both cultural and socioeconomic background. It is a Level 1 Trauma Center, and home to the only burn center, children’s hospital, and transplant center in Northern California. Furthermore, it is the only institution of its kind in Northern California. It is one of the five busiest Trauma Centers in the country and has been featured in multiple television programs. Their focus of service to those most in need underpins the teaching activities in this setting.

The Department of Surgery consists of the following surgical subspecialties:
- Trauma & Emergency Surgery
- Cardiothoracic Surgery
- Gastrointestinal Surgery
- Bariatric Surgery
- Neurosurgery
- General Surgery
- Burn Surgery
- Pediatric Surgery
- Otolaryngology Surgery
- Plastic Surgery
- Surgical Oncology
- Urological Surgery
- Transplant Surgery
- Vascular Surgery

Details
This is not a volunteering or shadowing program. This is a mentorship where you will be interacting with multiple physicians in the Department of Surgery. You will be working directly with physicians every step of the way, from seeing patients in the intensive care unit, to pre-operative, post-operative, bedside, trauma bay, operating rooms, clinics, conferences, journal clubs and rounds. You will experience the duties physicians perform on a daily basis. You will be part of the team and regarded as such. This program is under the supervision and guidelines set forth by the Chairman of Surgery at the UC Davis Health System.

This program is open to all individuals who plan to attend medical school. Any pre-med students, regardless of school of attendance or academic/education level who can demonstrate their maturity, ability to follow directions, aptitude to learn, desire to be mentored, and interest in discovering their future in medicine may apply.

All of the following accompanying documents are required by the submission deadline of Saturday, March 24, 2012 by 11:59 PM PST (unless otherwise indicated):
- Application Fee of $20
- Application (submitted online)
- Unofficial Transcript (submitted online)
- Passport-style photograph of yourself (submitted online)
- Letters of Recommendation (submitted online by the letter writer) *A minimum of 2 letters is required but no more than 3 letters will be accepted. At least one letter must be from an instructor, professor, and/or teaching assistant.
- Short Essays (Submitted Online with application)
- Curriculum Vitae (Submitted Online with application)

The application can only be accessed and submitted online. Take your time to write thoughtful and thorough answers in your application. There is a 300-word maximum to each question.

*For more info: http://www.premedsurgery.org/
Diversity Month: March 2012!

DIVERSITY MONTH IS HERE!

West Area’s Diversity Month is a month-long dedication to diversity of all varieties. We have everything from a Bollywood 101 presentation to Latin Dance Night, to Dream Analysis sessions!! We will also be holding a month-long raffle, in which tickets will be given out to each student at each of our events. At the end of the month, we will raffle off exciting GRAND PRIZES at our signature event! - A unique drag show, Paris is LEARNING.

What: Diversity Month 2012
When: The entire month of March!
Upcoming event! Thursday, March 8th – Latino Dance Night @ El Centro Chicano
Check out our Website for more information! http://wix.com/diversitymonth/march2012

**OPEN TO ALL USC STUDENTS**

What is Dream Summer?

In 2011, the UCLA Labor Center’s Dream Resource Center in partnership with the United We Dream Network developed Dream Summer, the first national internship for DREAM Act student leaders across the country. One hundred and two leaders were placed full-time for ten weeks with social justice and labor organizations where they gained an invaluable experience, leadership skills and organizing knowledge. This year, we want to continue that work and we invite all DREAM Act leaders to apply.

2012 Outreach * Regions:
California, New York (New York), Texas, Massachusetts (Boston), Colorado (Denver), Nevada, New Mexico, Wisconsin, Connecticut, Georgia, Alabama, Illinois (Chicago), Arizona (Phoenix), Florida (Miami), Washington D.C.
*Outreach regions are tentative and subject to change

Project Areas*:
Social Justice, Civic Engagement, Queer/LGBT, and more...
*Additional project areas are subject to availability

Dream Summer participants will receive a $5,000 scholarship.

Applications due March 30, 2012

Requirements:
1. Able to attend opening retreat on June 15th - 16th and closing retreat on August 25th - 26th in Los Angeles
2. Available for 20 week full-time placement from June 18th - August 24th
3. Submit application by visiting www.dreamresourcecenter.org or www.unitedwedream.org

For more information about Dream Summer 2012, contact us at dreamsummer2012@gmail.com or visit www.dreamresourcecenter.org or www.unitedwedream.org