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August 20, 2017

Dear Chicana & Latinx Students,

On behalf of El Centro Chicano, aka “El Centro,” we would like to welcome you to the University of Southern California! This year El Centro celebrates its 45th Anniversary and over four decades of assisting you to achieve your personal and academic goals. We offer a variety of services throughout campus including personal and academic support, student advocacy, community outreach, and social and cultural programming. We also house the Latinx undergraduate and graduate student organizations and the Latino Parent Association (LPA).

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This year we have made the transition from using the term Latino to Latinx. We want you to understand its meaning “Latinx is an inclusive term that recognizes the intersectionality of sexuality, language, immigration, ethnicity, culture, and phenotype. While there are various arguments for the use of Latinx, it has evolved as a new form of liberation for those individuals that do not identify within the gender binary of masculinity or femininity, and it is used to represent the various intersectionalities of gender as it is understood in different ways within different communities of people” (Salinas & Lozano, 2016). In that spirit, we strive to honor the rich diversity within both the Latinx and Trojan Family. We strongly consider gender, class, religion/spirituality, bi/monolingual, continuing generations, sexual orientation, biracial/ethnic identities, and disabilities among other factors in our programs and services.

We encourage you to immerse yourself in USC’s Comunidad by becoming involved with student organizations and by working with El Centro in Serving the Diverse Latinx and USC Community.

If you ever have any questions, need help, want to create a club, want to see a particular event/speaker happen on campus, want to know where to find something or just need to talk, please drop by El Centro located at the Student Union Suite 402.

We hope the Latinx Resource Handbook will serve you well throughout your journey and success at USC!

Welcome to the Trojan Familia! Siempre Adelante & Always Fight On for Justice!

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Dear Student:

Welcome to the University of Southern California and the City of Los Angeles – your new home away from home. I encourage you to embrace your new environment and prepare yourself for one of the greatest learning experiences of your life.

USC is a world premier institution for higher education and your success is predicated on hard work, perseverance, and a fighting spirit. But you don’t have to do it alone, USC and El Centro Chicano will help you succeed on this journey with resources and support. Adapting socially and academically is not always easy, which is why El Centro Chicano offers resources to help you with your transition and to ensure success.

The university experience is the beginning of your career and geared toward shaping you into the person you want to become, let El Centro Chicano turn your goals into reality.

Sincerely,

ERIC GARCETTI
Mayor
August 20, 2017

Dear Students,

On behalf of the City of Los Angeles and the Ninth District, it is my pleasure and honor to welcome you to the University of Southern California—home of the mighty Trojans.

First and foremost, you should feel extremely proud of this achievement as you enter a new and exciting stage in your life. Your experience at USC will be shaped by hard work, dedication, and heart.

College is a very rewarding time in your life; however, it can also be challenging and stressful at times. That is why I encourage you to take full advantage of the tools and resources available. El Centro Chicano is one of the many valuable programs on campus to assist you in your transition to college life.

Remember that your college years are essential for your personal and professional growth, and resources like El Centro Chicano will ensure your success.

Best wishes on your academic year and bright future!

Sincerely,

Curren D. Price, Jr. Councilman
District 9 - “The New 9th”
August 20, 2017

Dear Students,

We are delighted to welcome you to a new year at USC. We are truly a family on this campus and we are thrilled to have you join us.

Whether you are an undergraduate or a graduate student, USC has much to offer. Please take advantage of the services, programs, clubs, connections, and other resources offered through El Centro and throughout our campus.

This is a fascinating time in higher education, particularly here at USC. We are a major research university with a strong and dedicated interest in being accessible to all students and in being an inclusive and welcoming place once you’re here.

We hope you will have a fulfilling, successful year, complete with stimulating academic pursuits.

Remember, El Centro is here for you. As am I.

Yours,

Michael W. Quick
August 20, 2017

Dear Students,

Welcome to the Trojan Family! You are now part of a community of academic excellence, rich athletic tradition, and unparalleled student-life experiences. We are excited to have you join us and look forward to your contribution to our community of scholars.

As your Vice President for Student Affairs, I am committed to making sure you have a great experience at USC both inside and outside the classroom. Our mission in the Division of Student Affairs is to “Empower students to transform the world.” We believe every USC student has the potential to change a part of the world they care about, and it is our responsibility to help you find ways to develop the skills you will need to reach your full potential.

I hope you take advantage of opportunities to get involved -- there are countless opportunities and resources for you in student organizations, cultural centers and groups, and student government. Please connect with the Division of Student Affairs when you arrive on campus.

Fight on!

Ainsley Carry
Vice President for Student Affairs
August 20, 2017

Dear Students,

Welcome to the University of Southern California! You are now a member of one of the most elite and exclusive networks in the world, the Trojan Family.

During your time here, make sure to take full advantage of the resources offered by El Centro Chicano, as well as the many other clubs and programs offered on campus. They are available to help enhance your college experience so you can be successful in the classroom and in life.

Not only will you learn from some of the top professors in the country, you will be studying alongside some of the brightest and most diverse student communities in the country. Along with great academic prestige, USC also boasts one of the richest athletic traditions in the nation. Our athletic department boasts 104 NCAA National Championships and the most NFL draft picks of any university.

We look forward to seeing you support our Trojan football family this fall for what is setting up to be a memorable 2017 football season. Have a great academic year and always remember to FIGHT ON!

Sincerely,

Clay Helton
Head Football Coach
The history of El Centro Chicano at USC begins with the history of progressive campus activism and the civil rights movement during the 1960s and 1970s. It was during this period that students and campus groups from across the nation protested and organized to demand for the expansion of access, curriculum, and programs that focused on the experience of people of color at institutions of higher learning. From Harvard, Berkeley, CSUN, ELAC to USC, student activism from groups like the United Mexican American Students (UMAS) (which after 1969 became known as Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlán - M.E.Ch.A.), the Mesa Directiva, the Black Student Union (BSU), the Asian American Student Alliance, American Indian students and many other groups, challenged universities and colleges to adopt institutional changes to their curriculum offerings, admissions policies, student services, and relations to communities beyond the campus. These early student movement efforts by USC students of color led to the creation of an Ethnic Studies major, increased student of color admissions, the creation of the Topping Student Fund, the Mexican American Alumni Association (MAAAA), the Latino Floor and the founding of USC El Centro Chicano.

The idea of establishing Chicano student campus centers that would focus on Chicano student recruitment, orientation, and retention is outlined in the El Plan de Santa Barbara: A Chicano Plan for Higher Education that was written in 1969. On October 9, 1969, members of UMAS met with USC President Norman Topping requesting that the university fund the creation of a Centro Chicano to act as an urban recruitment center for Mexican American high school and junior high school students. This initial request to fund a Centro Chicano was denied. The student movement at USC surged as was evident with increasing campus activism and the continued meetings between Chicano students and the administration over creating university resources for students of color including scholarships, admissions policies, proposing the creation of an office of EOPS, and supporting the passage of the student fee that would become the Norman Topping Student Aid Fund. By 1971, USC M.E.Ch.A. and its ‘supporters on campus were already in discussions with the university to have a Centro Chicano established. The focus of this Centro Chicano would combine Chicano student recruitment and retention efforts spearhead by students, with institutional resources to expand the ability of USC to meet the needs of the Chicano community. After continued negotiations between the student community and the university, USC El Centro Chicano was established in the fall of 1972. Under the leadership of Interim Director Raul Vargas, the move into the building at 3406 Hoover Street began in December and USC El Centro Chicano was opened in February during the 1973 spring semester. In March, Silas H. Abrego was hired as the first full-time Director. Under his leadership, USC El Centro Chicano began to implement a broad array of student and community centered services that would uniquely impact the way that USC supported Chicano students and served the broader mission of the university.
THE NAME: USC EL CENTRO CHICANO

There is a unique historical, political, cultural and intellectual importance to the name of USC El Centro Chicano. The historical nature of the name is one that emanates from the civil rights movement for self-determination and the promise of education. The identity label of Chicano becomes the basis for a cultural and spiritual rebirth for the Mexican American community. The Chicana/o Movement, as part of the larger civil rights movement of the 1960s/70s, was an important era that expanded institutional spaces for Chicanos and Latinos in higher education. Once a pejorative term, Chicano is rearticulated/redefined as a positive identity that recognizes the rich and ancient mixed indigenous origins of a community. As journalist Rubén Salazar wrote on February 6, 1970 in his Los Angeles Times column, “A Chicano is a Mexican-American with a non-Anglo image of himself... What, then, is a Chicano? Chicanos say that if you have to ask you’ll never understand, much less become, a Chicano. Actually, the word Chicano is as difficult to define as ‘soul.’” It also recognizes a different perspective on U.S. history that challenges master narratives, such as manifest destiny, which have come to define the American experience. In its place, the fields of Chicana/o Studies, Black Studies, Asian American Studies, American Indian Studies and other Ethnic Studies developed counter-narratives and academic scholarship that incorporate the voices, experiences and complex realities of people of color in the U.S. The name Chicano has never been universally accepted by mainstream society or even from within the Latino community. From its political and cultural origins, it remains in tension with other identity labels for reasons connected to different views on assimilation and acculturation in the U.S.

Adopting the word Chicano in 1972 for the new student center provided the institutional foundation to challenge the university to adapt new ways of providing access to higher education and student services for the Chicano/Latino community. From an academic standpoint, the name has come to define a real and symbolic intellectual space on the USC campus that retains its historical origins in struggle for self-determination and in expanding the mission of the university. USC El Centro Chicano has a long history of helping the university strive for excellence and is a link to each new freshman, transfer and graduate class at USC. USC El Centro Chicano is a vital place of learning and facilitating continued conversations about how to improve access to higher education, retain, and graduate Chicano/Latino students and how this work serves the mission of the university.

Ruben Salazar. “Who Is a Chicano? And What Is It the Chicanos Want?” February 6, 1970, Los Angeles Times. In 2011, the family of the late journalist Rubén Salazar donated his archives to the USC Libraries as a result of the efforts by the USC Boeckmann Center for Iberian and Latin American Studies and the USC Annenberg School for Communication & Journalism

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Mission and Principles

The mission of El Centro Chicano is to empower Chicanx/Latinx students by providing a safe harbor to learn leadership, connecting to, and exploring their cultural identity by being socially conscious critical thinkers, acquiring career advice through networking opportunities to help them achieve graduation from their respective programs in a timely manner, and offering transitional support beyond their USC academic life. El Centro Chicano strives to educate the campus about Latinx issues and the ethnic diversity represented within the community (i.e. Central & South America, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Mexico, and Puerto Rico). El Centro also offers student advocacy, personal support, assistance for Latinx student groups, and transitional/beyond USC programming. El Centro programs and services also consider gender, class, religion/spirituality, bi/monolingual, continuing generations, sexual orientation, disabilities, and multi-racial/ethnic identities, among other factors.

Resources

Latinx Resource Handbook and Planner

The Latinx Resource Handbook is printed every summer and is distributed to students during the Black & Latinx New Student Symposium and throughout the year. The handbook contains information about El Centro programs, Latinx student organizations, Latinx faculty/staff, scholarships, tips for new students, and key resources that will assist in the success of the students. The handbook is a great resource guide for all new students: freshmen, transfers, and graduate students.

Weekly E-newsletter & Facebook Like Page

The El Centro Chicano E-newsletter is a weekly online publication containing information on El Centro Chicano programs, upcoming campus events, scholarships, internships/employment opportunities, and other relevant news affecting the Latinx community. The e-newsletter is a great way to stay informed and connected to El Centro Chicano and the SC Latinx community. You can view past E-newsletters at www.usc.edu/elcentro. El Centro Chicano also provides daily resources and updated information for your continual success and development at USC on our Facebook fan page: University of Southern California El Centro Chicano.

Core Programs and Services

Latino Floor: El Sol y La Luna – Established 1974

This residential program is an opportunity offered to first year students looking to connect with other students with similar interests and/or cultural backgrounds. The goal of the Latino floor is to create and promote a positive, supportive atmosphere that eases the transition of freshmen Latino students into USC life and empowers them to become prominent campus leaders. The floors are open to all students interested in learning more about the Chicano/Latino culture and provide extensive community service, cultural, academic, and social activities throughout the year.

Latino Honor Society (LHS) – Established 1997

This program recognizes the academic achievements of undergraduate Latino students as well as their dedication to the community. LHS promotes academic scholarship and commitment to community service. Applicants must have completed three or four semesters at USC, maintained a 3.5 GPA or above, and demonstrated community and university involvement. Members are inducted every spring semester.
Signature Programs

Black and Latinx New Student Symposium - Established 2005
This program welcomes Latinx and Black, or any combination of the above, new freshmen, transfer, and graduate students to kick your college career off right by plugging into campus resources before school even starts. This program begins with over 75 student and community organizations over lunch, followed by interactive workshops to get you connected to current student leaders, faculty, and staff. Welcome Back BBQ hosted by the Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender (LGBT) Resource Center immediately follows the Symposium. For more information go to our website: www.usc.edu/elcentro. All freshmen, transfers, and graduate students are invited to attend on Sunday, August 20, 2017 11am-5pm at Taper Hall.

La Posada: Celebrating Latin American Holiday Traditions & Giving Back – Established 1999
La Posada is one of the many Latin American holiday traditions in which participants symbolically retrace the steps of the Virgin Mary and Joseph on the night that baby Jesus was born. In the LED-candle light procession, a couple dressed as Mary and Joseph lead followers across campus to three stops and ending with pan dulce and champurrado. USC students, faculty and staff members are invited to participate in La Posada along with families and local community members. La Posada includes a Keynote and a Toy-Drive benefitting a local non-profit. It is celebrated the first Friday in December. Sponsored by ECC & LSA.

Latinx Trojan Family Reunion: Night of Networking – Established 2008
This event creates an opportunity for alumni to come back and reach out to students (both undergraduate and graduate) to network and provide advice on programs to take advantage of while at USC and Keys to Life after USC. Some years, the event features a panel of Latinx Trojan Alumni from diverse fields and other years, a speed networking mixer.

Chicano/Latino Graduate Celebration – Established 1980
The Chicano/Latino Graduate Celebration takes place the night before USC Commencement and it celebrates graduating students’ personal and academic achievements in the spirit and traditions of our beautiful Latinx culture. The Chicano/Latino Graduate Celebration is open to all graduating USC students (including undergraduate, graduate/doctoral candidates) completing a degree in the spring, summer or fall term. This special celebration gives graduating students 20 seconds during the ceremony to publicly thank those who have helped them throughout their educational careers.

Collaborative Programs

L.A. Power Trips – Established 2011
The Latina/o Student Assembly and El Centro Chicano are happy to present a new type of series – the L.A. Power Trips. LSA and El Centro want to provide USC students with the opportunity to expand their horizons and explore the dynamic and rich culture Los Angeles has to offer. The L.A. Power Trips will provide students with the chance to continue their learning outside the classroom and directly apply what they’ve learned to real life situations and make connections between various segments, sectors and people that make Los Angeles the great city it is. A member of the USC faculty or staff will always be at hand to help students understand the importance and context of each trip and to answer any questions. Previous trips have been: Cesar Chavez Film at L.A. Live with Actor Eli Vargas, SPARCs (Social & Public Art Resource Center) with Judy Baca, and Homeboy Industries with Father Greg Boyle, Advance Screening of McFarland, USA at LA Live with Q&A afterwards with Director & few actors, LA City Hall amongst others.

Project Remix – Established 2008
Project Remix is a collaborative initiative of USC’s cultural centers to educate and engage the entire campus to understand how the complexity and intersectionality of identities are intermixed with social justice. Project Remix is a collaboration of Asian Pacific Student Services, Center for Black Cultural and Student Affairs, El Centro Chicano, and the LGBT Resource Center.
Latinx Student Empowerment Conference – Established 2012
This conference, presented by ASE, El Centro Chicano, & LSA, and co-sponsored by: Center for The Study of Immigrant Integration, USC Latino Social Work Caucus, the USC Latina/o Graduate Student Association, USC Price Latino Student Association & USC Latino Law Student Association recognizes the research, academic success, and social justice activism of USC students. The conference covers topics including: Immigrant Rights, Education Justice, and Success Strategies for new students, presentations of undergraduate, graduate, and PhD research, and a history of activism at USC.

Power Pan Dulce Fridays Speaker Series – Established 2013
This program provides an informal opportunity for the USC Latinx community and friends to come together to socialize and network over sweet bread & chocolate. The program includes announcements by El Centro, the Latina/o Student Assembly, and any other organizations, staff, faculty and friends. The highlight of the get together is a featured speaker, a prominent professional, usually an alumni, faculty, staff, community leader & friend of El Centro who has experience and knowledge to empower students in their leadership, cultural identity & career path.

Finals Study Break – Established 2005
This program is meant to provide students with a small break in their studies by giving them free food and free school supplies. School supplies include scantrons, pencils, blue books, index cards, and highlighters. It is important that students do not become too stressed-out in the final run of the semester, and instead come together with their fellow peers to be reenergized and enjoy a moment of rest in the midst of finals. Co-sponsored by the LPA.

Strategic Partners

Latina/o Student Assembly (LSA) – Established 1987
The Latina/o Student Assembly is a non-profit umbrella group for Chicana/o, Hispanic, Latina/o student organizations at USC and has been in existence for approximately 30 years. LSA allocates funds to organizational members as well as other USC student organizations. Ran by a student e-board, LSA seeks to bring together students of Latino heritage, educate the USC student body and make positive contributions to the surrounding community.

Latino Parent Association (LPA) – Established 1982
The Latino Parent Association is an organization that serves as a resource for parents and students by addressing issues affecting Latinx families and advocating involvement in parent-student issues. The monthly meetings include discussions and presentations about opportunities and additional resources throughout the university.

National Hispanic Media Coalition (NHMC) – Established 1986
The National Hispanic Media Coalition (NHMC) is a media advocacy and civil rights organization for the advancement of Latinos, working towards a media that is fair and inclusive of Latinos, and towards universal, affordable, and open access to communications. NHMC serves as a national organization with a strong presence in the following areas: California, New York, Arizona, Michigan, and Washington, D.C.
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University of Southern California
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It is a new academic year and DPS is here to help you make the best of your college experience. Visit our website to get acquainted with our services and safety tips (http://dps.usc.edu)

We welcome you to “get connected” and “stay informed” with us. Download our safety app, LiveSafe.
Welcome all Incoming and Continuing USC students!

For more information about our program and scholarships, contact us at: latinoalumni.usc.edu

One of the nation’s leading Latino alumni organizations, devoted to the academic advancement and development of Latino students attending USC and to those committed to the Latino community.

Follow us! @USCLAA

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And others radically

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USC students always have a special place in our programs
and ministries.

Volunteer with Peace Kids/Tutoring
Bi-Lingual Protestant Worship—Sundays 10:30am
Student Fellowship
Connect with the Community and Work for Social Justice
Bible Study
Pastoral Counseling

WELCOME back Trojans!!!

You are the FUTURE of social change and are guiding priorities
for policymakers, community organizations, and the business
community.

Attend our upcoming events to make your voice heard, network
with leaders, and strategize for a more integrated Los Angeles
and University.
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AMST 274gmw Exploring Ethnicity Through Film
AMST 357m Latino Social Movements

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**STUDENT CLUB/ORGANIZATIONS**

**Annenberg Latino Student Association (ALSA)**

“Uniting the Latino Community of the School for Communication through social, professional and political activities”

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The Annenberg Latino Student Association is committed to promoting career and academic opportunities for Latino students in the fields of communication, journalism, and public relations. The organization is also designed to provide a social network outside of the classroom. It also provides students the opportunity to volunteer in the community through its various outreach fieldtrips. ALSA hosts bi-weekly meetings with guest speakers, workshops, and networking mixers focused on supporting and advancing the career of Latino media students.

**Association of Latino Professionals in Finance & Accounting (ALPFA-USC)**

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ALPFA is a leading national organization for professionals and students in accounting, business, finance and related fields with approximately 40 regional chapters. Our chapter offers a wide range of activities throughout the year, which include case competitions, networking events, scholarships, student workshops, community service, professional, and student mixers. In addition, it offers mentoring programs, internships, and an annual convention. Membership in ALPFA-USC is open to any student in good academic standing who shares the core values that include professional development, relationship building, inclusiveness, and integrity.

**Break On 2**

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Break On 2 is USC’s premier Latin Fusion dance team. Our team has two divisions: a Performance team and a Club annex. Both our Performance Team and our Club annex do not require any experience to join, but we only accept new members for the Performance team in the Fall Semester. Break On 2 will teach new members how to dance Salsa and other Latin dances in both performance and social dance settings.

We also host some of the biggest and best monthly college socials in Los Angeles that are open to everyone – dancers, college students, latin music enthusiasts and the like.

**CENTRAL AMERICAN NETWORK**

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The Central American Network at USC is a club created by a small group of Central American students for USC students and the local community. The goal of the organization is to foster cultural awareness, create a space for Central American students on campus, and to build a relationship with the surrounding communities to empower young children to pursue higher education. The club would like to see more members of the surrounding community not only graduate from high school but also enter and graduate from college. Apart from hosting on campus events to embrace our diverse cultures and empower one another, we work closely with local non-profits to tutor children in different subject areas, as well as with other programs in our native countries to financially support our people back home.
**Chicanos/Latinos for Health Education (CHE)**

“Sanando la comunidad/ Healing the community”

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The purpose of CHE is to promote pre-health student interest leading to improvement in healthcare in underserved communities. CHE supports pre-health students in areas of retention, academic success, career opportunities, and the politics of medicine. CHE members participate in various community service projects, including health lessons and college talks with local middle and high schools. CHE members have mentors at LMSA at Keck School of Medicine to help network. CHE members develop friendships with one another through participation in conferences and social activities such as dinners, study nights, and ice cream socials.

**Chicanos for Progressive Education (CPE)**

“Empowerment through Education”

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Founded at USC in 1991, Chicanos for Progressive Education is an organization committed to the education and retention of underrepresented minority students in higher education. Our purpose is to increase the number of minority students, especially Latinos/as, at USC and in colleges around the country by touring students in Los Angeles High Schools. We strive to motivate and answer questions about university life, academics, and financial aid. We also provide mentoring to high school students as well as informal mentoring between our members. We maintain a scholarship fund to help supplement financial needs of one qualified freshman or transfer student who has shown commitment and dedication to CPE and our cause. Additionally, CPE conducts bi-monthly high school visits to various high schools in the Los Angeles area. We also pride ourselves in providing our members with a cultural and academic support group through various social events such as retreats and fundraisers.

**Destino**

“Raising up a generation of Latino and Hispanic leaders to change the world.”

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Destino seeks to empower Latino Leaders to take the good news of Jesus to the Campus, the Community, and the World. Whether you’re interested in making a difference on this campus for God or just want to explore what the Bible says come by our weekly meetings.

**El Sol y La Luna/ Latino Floor**

“Promoting cultural awareness, community involvement, and academic success in a close knit multicultural environment conducive to a smooth transition to university life and overall unforgettable first year experience!”

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Created in 1974, the Latino Floor residential program is an opportunity offered to first year students interested in learning more about the Latino culture in the presence of a supportive community of faculty/student mentors and peers. The goal of the Latino floor is to create and promote a positive and open-minded atmosphere that creates a unique first year experience meant to help ease the transition into college life. With amazing networking opportunities, faculty involvement, resourceful workshops, and cultural events, there’s no better way to experience diversity at USC. The Latino Floor provides extensive community service, cultural, academic and social activities throughout the year. A few years ago, we launched the very successful Latino Floor Fall & Spring Community Service project, which assists local neighborhood children with tutoring and role modeling from a program on campus called Peace Kids who promotes Peace, Conflict Mediation and Social Justice. The Latino Floor houses 32 residents and one resident advisor— an experienced upperclassman trained to cater to the needs of first-year students who plan programs and activities during the academic year.
Event Spotlight:
The Latino Floor hold an annual Beach Retreat at a local beach, host their annual Dia De Los Muertos (Day of the Dead) Celebration where hundreds of local school children came to participate in educational workshops and festivities, and participated in mixers with the Somerville and Rainbow Floor.

Hapa Student Community (HapaSC)
"Hapa Student Community is a welcoming social community for people of mixed ethnicity and their friends: a place that we can all call home. As an intelligent social group, we serve to bring public awareness to the hapa community”
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The Hapa Student Community (HapaSC) is a welcoming social community for people of mixed race/ethnicity and their friends: a place that we can all call home. As an intelligent social group, we serve to bring a public awareness to the hapa culture and community. HapaSC is also the only organization at USC devoted to creating a community where students can explore what it means to be multiracial, and explore its growing niche in our society.

Event Spotlight:
In Fall 2011, HapaSC hosted two very successful campus-wide events. One of which was collaboration with APASA named “Mixed and APA in the Media”, where HapaSC exclusively invited Danny Pudi, star of the NBC comedy show “Community”. The other event was titled “Love, Sex and Interracial Dating” where HapaSC invited two professional international dating coaches based in Sydney to talk about how to deal with some of the stigmas and issues that comes with interracial dating.

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Since our establishment in 2004, Hermanas Unidas (HaU) de USC has worked to provide resources and leadership opportunities for Latinas in higher education as well as for other underrepresented college students. By participating in and organizing community service events, social activities, and academic/professional workshops, we help our members develop and maintain a well-rounded sense of self that will help them in their pursuit of a career after college. Our organization also seeks to provide the same resources provided to our members to K-12 students interested in higher education.

Hermanas Unidas has been known by its members to provide a safe space for self-expression in otherwise non-diverse campuses. Students of all backgrounds are invited to join our organization and our Hermandad.

Event Spotlight:
Every year a different state chapter of Hermanas Unidas is selected to host the HaU Statewide Conference. This conference, organized by alumni, provides workshops and networking opportunities for the attending Hermanas. The workshop topics range from academic excellence and career development to self-acceptance and mental health awareness. Our annual conference also consists of social events and chances to network and create connections with members from different chapters around California.
Hermanos Unidos-USC was founded in 2002 and seeks to help students succeed in the college environment by its commitment to the three foundational pillars of Academic Scholarship, Community Service, and Social Interaction. HU helps its members fulfill the three pillars by offering study hours, hands-on community service events, intramural sports, seminars, guest speakers, leadership development workshops, and team building activities. A unique component of the organization are its Platicas, where members are invited to converse on a more personal level and in an environment that promotes the achievement of both personal and collective goals. All HU members work towards achieving El Nuevo Hombre, an ideal state that defies the negative stereotypes that have been placed upon Latino males.

Event Spotlight: “Hermanos Unidos de USC, along with every other familia, attends an annual National Leadership Conference (HUNLC) hosted by a different campus every spring semester. The conference focuses on the pillars of Hermanos Unidos -- academics, social interaction, and community service -- by providing workshops, activities, and keynote speeches that guide the hermanos in their journeys to become professionals, leaders in their communities, and well-informed individuals on subjects that inform the Latino identity. Hermanos Unidos de USC has hosted this conference twice, most recently in 2016, in which a record-breaking 600 people attended. HUNLC provides a way for hermanos to meet, socialize, and network with other undergraduate hermanos, as well as alumni and distinguished guests who are invited.”

The Hispanic Scholarship Fund (HSF) is the nation’s leading Hispanic scholarship organization, providing the Hispanic community with more college scholarships and outreach support than any other organization in the country. In its more than 35 years, the HSF has awarded over 90,000 scholarships worth more than $250 million to students in need. HSF’s mission is to strengthen America by advancing the college education of Hispanic Americans.

*HSF is currently being restructured, and as a result the Scholar Chapter at USC is currently inactive, but scholarships are still available for students.

IDEAS at USC was founded to create a safe space and positive dialogue among undocumented students (AB 540). The founder’s mission for the organization is that undocumented students receive the support they need in order to undergo and complete their education at USC. The organization welcomes students from all majors, non-immigrant students, immigrant students and those who support equal opportunity for all students in higher education. The organization was established in 2011 and student’s response for the organization on campus has been receptive. IDEAS at USC wants to enhance the communication of this issue and create a strong network between faculty and professors that support these students’ struggle. IDEAS looks forward to creating more awareness of the issue at USC. IDEAS at USC would like to take more of a proactive role on political activism regarding immigration. The group would also like to create strong network among professionals so that graduates have possible employment opportunities upon graduation. If you are interested in becoming involved in the assuring that all students at USC are fairly considered for any form of financial assistance and scholarship opportunities and grants, please contact our very own student organization focused on the needs and concerns of the immigrant and undocumented student communities, IDEAS at USC.

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In addition to meaning “faith” in Spanish, LaFe is also short for Latino Fellowship. LaFe was formed in the 1980s as a branch organization of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship in response to the need of growing numbers of Latino students on college campuses to be resourced and developed. As a national movement, LaFe is committed to developing Latino leaders who serve the campus community with the love of Jesus Christ as they explore God, faith, and the experiences of our people. LaFe at USC began in the fall of 2013 with the purpose of providing a safe space for Latino students to explore issues of faith and ethnic identity in community. Through weekly gatherings, discussion-based bible studies and community building activities, we invite Latino students to discover their passions, be challenged, and find support in a spiritual community. In addition, we provide Latino students the opportunity to be connected to a larger multiethnic community on campus by participating in activities with our partner organization, InterVarsity Trojan Christian Fellowship. By this, LaFe aims to create greater access for Latino students to succeed at USC and gain the tools necessary to positively impact their families and communities.

**Event Spotlight:**
Our annual Fall and Summer Conferences with the greater multi-ethnic fellowship on the beautiful Catalina Island. A time to take a break from campus, delve deeper into scripture, commune with friends and explore all that Jesus has to offer.

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**Latino Business Student Association (LBSA)**

“To develop young men and women into the business leaders of tomorrow, through professional exposure, community involvement and social interaction”

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LBSA is an organization which welcomes students from all majors looking to enjoy their college experience while preparing for their future professional endeavors. LBSA strives to accomplish this by providing members with opportunities to grow professionally, while giving back to the community and making lifelong friendships.

**Event Spotlight:**
Every semester LBSA hosts the Corporate Luncheon for USC students. The event provides an opportunity for students to enjoy a three course meal with corporate recruiters from the company of their choice. These interactions often provide students with an added edge in obtaining internships and jobs from companies like Ernst & Young, Target, and Goldman Sachs.

This organization is currently inactive, but if you are interested in reviving it please contact El Centro Chicano.

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**Latino Graduate Student Association (LGSA)***

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LGSA commits to: Enhance the intellectual and social community for Latina/o graduate students, advocate for support networks for Latina/o graduate/professional students, faculty and other members of the USC community, promote the recruitment and retention of Latina/o graduate students, develop research and publication opportunities to further the professional development of Latina/o graduate students.
Latino Honor Society (LHS)

“Recognizing scholastic excellence and dedication to the Latino community since 1997”

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**Website:** www.usc.edu/elcentro

Latino Honor Society was established at USC in the fall of 1997. The Latino Honor Society (LHS) is a program monitored by El Centro Chicano that aims to honor the academic and leadership contributions of USC Latino undergraduate students. The society was founded in response to the need for a program that encouraged, stimulated, and recognized, those who maintain excellence in scholarship in addition to serving as positive role models in the community.

Latino Law Student Association (LLSA)*

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Latino Law Student Association (LLSA) is a student organization composed of Latino law students and students interested in issues affecting the Latino community at USC Law School. Our organization strives to create a community at USC that enables students to excel academically, socially, and professionally. Among its objectives is to serve as a support network for Latino law students on campus; and to help the retention and success of Latino law students. LLSA works in conjunction with the Admissions Office to increase the enrollment of Latino students through a Phone-a-Thon for admitted Latino students. Besides keeping our members abreast of scholarships, Latino-centric events, and potential employment opportunities, LLSA encourages its members to become involved in public interest organizations that serve the Latino community in Los Angeles. Latino Law Student Association activities include speaker events with local law firms, Hora Latin@ (a Legal Spanish Conversation Group), Judges & Lawyers Nights (honoring USC Law Latino Alums) and other social and cultural gatherings for the benefit of Latino law students and friends at USC Law. These events aim to help build community and familiarity amongst Latino and non-Latino friends and classmates.

Latino Medical Student Association (LMSA)*

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**Organization Email:** usc.lmsa@gmail.com  
**Website:** https://lmsa.site-ym.com/ & http://lmsa.net/west/

The Chicano/Latino Medical Student Association is an organization dedicated to improving the health care delivery system to the Chicano/Latino communities. To accomplish this goal, LMSA’s top priority is to retain all Chicano/Latino medical students at the USC School of Medicine, a commitment we now pledge to you. LMSA will make every attempt to make you feel at home in Los Angeles and help you build lifelong friends amongst the LMSA family. By offering peer support, counseling and mentors, LMSA will strive to develop and enhance your academic and cultural potentials and alleviate any barriers that may stand in your way of making a smooth transition into and through medical school. In addition, LMSA has been working very closely with the California Hispanic American Medical Association (CHAMA) and the Chicano/Latino Medical Association of California (CMAC) to make Chicano/Latino physicians in the Los Angeles area available for you to turn to for questions and concerns about the field of medicine.

**Event Spotlight:**
Annually with LMSA of UCLA, we co-host and participate in the Olvera Street Health Fair which successfully provides medical services to over 4,000 local, uninsured, non-English speaking Chicano/Latino children, women, and men.

Latino/a Social Work Caucus (LSWC)*

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The Latino/a Social Work Caucus at USC is a student organization that promotes leadership, self-help, and solidarity among all USC Latino/a Master of Social Work students towards the betterment of all Latino/a's cultures and people. We strive to accomplish this through: Academic Excellence, Professional Development, and Empowerment for social justice.
Latina/o Student Assembly (LSA)
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The Latina/o Student Assembly is a non-profit umbrella group for Chicana/o, Hispanic, Latina/o student organizations at USC and has been in existence for approximately 26 years. LSA is composed of an executive board of 12 elected officers and one representative from each member organization. LSA receives funds from the Undergraduate Student Government and is overseen by Program Board. LSA allocates funds to member organizations. Run by a student e-board, LSA seeks to bring together students of Latino heritage, educate the USC student body and make positive contributions to the surrounding community. For the past 26 years, LSA has been a source of support and a voice for the Latino student population on campus. Meetings are held Tuesdays at 5 p.m. in TCC 302.

Mexican Entrepreneur Association (AEM Jóvenes Los Angeles)
**“A Bridge to Success”**
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The Mexican Entrepreneur Association (AEM Jóvenes Los Angeles Chapter) was founded in November 2015 by a group of students at USC who saw the need to connect and serve young entrepreneurs of the LA area. We are committed to form young entrepreneurs by developing their analytical, business, and professional skills, and to connect and develop strong relations among the Mexican, Mexican-American, and friends of Mexico communities of entrepreneurs and young professionals. The organization is part of the binational USA-Mexico NGO, AEM Jóvenes, a hub for bilateral cooperation and interconnectivity for young entrepreneurs who seek to establish and expand their business in the United States and Mexico.

Since its opening, AEM Jóvenes LA has hosted numerous events including several company tours to Warner Bros., Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Source Logistics, and Omni Metal Finishing. This upcoming year we will be hosting speakers, workshops, company tours, and networking events. We will be continuing with our internship placement program, and will also be launching a new mentorship program in conjunction with the experienced entrepreneurs of AEM-Mexico Innova Los Angeles.

Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano/a de Aztlan (MEChA)
**“La Union Hace la Fuerza”**
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**Facebook:** https://www.facebook.com/MEChA-de-USC-971167306277084/

M.E.Ch.A began at the University of California, Santa Barbara in 1969, when students, faculty, and community leaders met in response to growing unrest on the state of Raza education. There was a consensus that the path to liberation would come from passionate students who were dedicated to empowering their neighborhoods and people. M.E.Ch.A is inclusive of all Raza and strives for the empowerment and liberation of our gente through higher education. Plainly spoken, M.E.Ch.A is for the community.

**Event Spotlight:**
The MEChA High School Conference spans a history of well over a decade and has hosted over 10,000 students in the Los Angeles area. It is the intent of all MEChistas to provide participants with a better understanding of the importance of achieving higher education. Accordingly, the conference is comprised of a variety of cultural and academic workshops as well as information about majors, field of study and/or careers from current USC students and alumni.

This organization is currently inactive, but if you are interested in reviving it please contact El Centro Chicano.
National Association of Hispanic Journalists (NAHJ)
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Website: https://nahjusc.com/
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/NAHJUSC/

NAHJ USC strives to promote the professional advancement of Hispanics in the news industry by bringing opportunity and student journalists together. Our chapter is committed to better unifying the USC Hispanic journalist and Annenberg community, while supplying useful resources to undergraduate and graduate Annenberg students.

Price Latino Student Association (PLSA)
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Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/USC.PLSA

The Price Latino Student Association (PLSA) was founded in 2006 from a core group of Latino students at USC Sol Price School of Public Policy who saw the need for Latino involvement in policy. Recognizing the issue, PLSA made it its mission to engage undergraduate and graduate students on issues and policies that impact the USC Price Latino community. In the past, we have hosted events centered on immigration, health care, and housing – all issues that disproportionately impact the USC and surrounding Latino community. PLSA also utilizes these and other events to help foster members professional and educational growth to develop effective leaders who, in turn, empower and enhance the broader Latino community. In 2015, PLSA hosted the first altar for Dia de Los Muertos in Ralph and Goldy Lewis Hall (RGL) to pay homage to our Latino ancestors and cultural traditions. After 10 years of serving Latinos students at USC Price, PLSA continues to grow and thrive in the USC Price community.

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Society for the Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in the Sciences (SACNAS)
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Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/SACNASUSC/

The Society for the Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in the Sciences--USC Chapter-- is focused on creating a community for students interested in research in disciplines from Health Science to Social Sciences, from Biology, Chemistry, and Physics to Engineering, Computers and other STEM fields. This community reaches beyond the University to the local community, local colleges, and national members.

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Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers at USC (SHPE-USC)
“SHPE promotes the development of Hispanics in engineering, science and other technical professions to achieve educational excellence, economic opportunity and social equality.”
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Since its founding in 1975, the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers at USC (SHPE-USC) has maintained a commitment to providing role models to the Hispanic community. As one of the two first established student chapters in the nation, we have a responsibility to continue promoting engineering, science, and math at the pre-college and university level. SHPE-USC offers a network of support with mentorship and guidance to thrive at USC.

We strive to ensure the preparedness of students who choose to pursue these fields by providing necessary tools and resources for success in academics and professional development through conferences, study nights, workshops, and leadership retreats. SHPE-USC champions the development of our members as leaders with a dedication to serve underprivileged communities. Each year, SHPE-USC endeavors to remain a prominent organization in the STEM fields within the Hispanic community as well as within the Viterbi School.

Event Spotlight:
The SHPE Conference is the major event for the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, Inc. and the largest technical and career conference for Hispanics in the country. Each year, the SHPE Conference attracts nearly 5,000 engineering professionals, students and corporate representatives.
The Spanish Undergraduate Student Association (SUSA) was established in 1999 that is devoted to providing its members the ability to explore and immerse themselves in the cultures of Latin America and Spain. Anyone can participate in SUSA events, which is open to all students including graduates and all majors, not just Spanish majors and minors. In essence, SUSA is open to anyone who has an interest in Spanish and Latin American cultures.

SUSA’s most common events include conversation tables, movie nights, and dinner nights, although other events include hosting guest speakers, attending plays and museums, and organizing cooking nights. Conversation tables are SUSA’s most well-known events where students and professors meet on a weekly or bi-weekly basis to practice Spanish in a relaxed and informal environment. Movie nights are held on a monthly or bi-monthly basis to offer free showings of Latin American and Spanish movies. To better acquaint students with LA’s rich and diverse Latin American and Spanish cultures, SUSA hosts off-campus events on a monthly or bi-monthly basis. Dinner nights are the typical off-campus events that involve dining at diverse restaurants in the surrounding community. SUSA has visited such venues as El Mercado la Paloma and Olvera Street. SUSA is always open to new and interesting ideas that can help improve the club. ¡Entonces, ¡ven con nosotros!

Undergraduate Student Government (USG) is the official governing body of the nearly 19,000 undergraduates at USC. It exists to represent the interests of the students to the administration on campus through an extensive programming, committee, and advocacy structure. The six branches that comprise USG are the Advocacy, Legislative, Executive, Judicial, Communications, and Programming branches.

Previously, minority students were represented in the Diversity Affairs committee within the Advocacy branch. USG found that this structure limited the committee as a catch-all for issues relating to culture and identity, so beginning in the 2017-2018 academic year, this committee has been dissolved in favor of implementing the Chief Diversity Officer position.

The goal is that the entire organization of USG, and specifically the Advocacy branch, will be responsible for representing all students on campus, with particular attention to marginalized students. The Co-Chief Diversity Officers are charged with ensuring that USG is prepared to do so, and that, in its work, it is actively inclusive of minority students, including but not limited to those in the Latino/a, Black, Asian/Pacific Islander, LGBTQ+, international, differently-abled, and religious communities. Transfer, Spring Admit, commuter, and veteran students will also continue to be represented.

If you would like to join the Advocacy branch or any other part of USG you can do so now by applying. Applications for elected and appointed positions for next year’s Undergraduate Student Government will be out soon. Please contact USG Director of Elections & Recruitment Emily Lee (emilysle@usc.edu) if you have any questions.

The ASE Club is open to students of all majors interested in the innovative interdisciplinary academic exploration of the history, culture, politics and institutions of the Americas, with particular focus on communities of color in the United States. The study of civic engagement and social movements is also featured, with the opportunity for students to do an internship in the local community through AMST 365 Leadership in the Community - Internship. Please email aseclub@usc.edu and click “LIKE” on our Facebook page to receive the latest Club information.
USC Ballroom and Latin Dance Team

"Providing social, instructional, and competitive opportunities in traditional ballroom and Latin partner dances"

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Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/USCBallroom/

The Ballroom & Latin Dance Club offers members of the USC community the opportunity to explore the art of partner dancing through class instruction, competition, and social events. Classes twice per week focus on the American Smooth Ballroom and American Rhythm dance styles with classes in the following dances: Cha-cha, Rumba, East Coast Swing, Mambo, Bolero, Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, and Viennese Waltz. Social events also include opportunities to learn Salsa, Hustle, Swing and other dances. Classes are catered to students of all abilities from beginner to championship levels. Several members travel to both collegiate and professional competitions throughout the year and have won top prizes throughout the western region in all levels. In addition, members practice what they learn in a social setting at weekend dances.

USC Capoeira Club

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The USC Capoeira Club is run by and for USC students to practice the martial art, and learn the culture of Capoeira. We enhance our physical and mental strength, as well as awareness of our surroundings, all while wearing a smile and having a good time. It may look intimidating at first, but nothing is required except for a willingness to learn and a positive attitude.

This organization is currently inactive, but if you are interested in reviving it please contact El Centro Chicano.

USC Native American Student Union (NASU)

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"The USC Native American Student Union (NASU) offers an opportunity for Native American Trojans and company to connect and empower one another both academically and spiritually. As well as providing a sacred and intellectual community for our members, we are committed to raising awareness of Native American issues on campus, and promoting recruitment of prospective USC students from tribal communities around the country. Among these objectives, members of NASU play an active role in the local Native American community by volunteering for the LAUSD Student Art Exhibit each year, while additionally hosting educational and cultural workshops on the USC campus for nearby families. We also aim to cook Indian tacos whenever possible (if you haven’t tried them, contact us immediately).

Event Spotlight: In conjunction with the USC Pacific Islander Student Association, we hosted the first ever USC Native American & Pacific Islander Cultural Festival last Spring! The festival showcased the beauty of both clubs’ history and heritage, while spotlighting the many indigenous musicians and artists within them.

Whether you’re Native, looking to learn more about Native culture, or eager to eat some Indian tacos, check out NASU!"

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Gamma Zeta Alpha Fraternity, Inc. (Gammas) established December 3rd, 1987 is proud to be the first Latino Interest Fraternity on the West Coast. For over two decades, this fraternity has become an instrument for promoting the development of Latino males in higher education and has served as a vehicle for creating the Latino leaders of tomorrow. Our establishment is based on the principles of Academic Excellence, through which we encourage and support Latino males in higher education; Community Service, allowing us to give back to our communities and those of similar backgrounds; and the Maintenance of the Latino Culture through Brotherhood. Since 2008, Gamma Zeta Alpha Fraternity, Inc. has been recognized as the National Association of Latino Fraternal Organization (NALFO)'s Fraternity of the Year four times.

Event Spotlight:
Gamma Zeta Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Rho Chapter at USC has proudly work with the School On Wheels program. The mission of School on Wheels is to enhance educational opportunities for homeless children from kindergarten through twelfth grade. Every semester, Gamma Zeta Alpha Fraternity, Inc. brings School on Wheels to campus for a youth conference that focuses on motivating students to pursue higher education.

We are also proud to be the official Greek sponsor of the California State Academic Decathlon. By coordinating with local Academic Decathlon offices, all chapters facilitate county competitions. Brothers aid in event logistics and serve as speech and interview judges for the competition, ensuring the ongoing success of a staple activity within California high schools.

La Unidad Latina, Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity, Incorporated was established on February 19, 1982 in order to address the shortcomings of academic institutions in meeting and addressing the needs of Latino students in higher education. Founded at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York, La Unidad Latina, Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity, Incorporated primarily seeks to take a leadership role in meeting the needs of the Latino community through cultural awareness, community service, and promotion of the Latino culture and people. La Unidad Latina is committed to developing its members and peers into mature, intelligent, socially active, and culturally conscious individuals, who, via mutual support, can excel academically and professionally. La Unidad Latina, Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity, Incorporated is looking for individuals with vision, determination, pride, and a commitment to accomplish the goals it has set for itself.

Event Spotlight:
This year will mark the 7th Annual P.O.D.E.R Mural (Pintando Disenos Orgullosamente Expresando nuestra Realidad) in conjunction with Lambda Theta Alpha of UCLA. We plan on working with a local grade school in the Los Angeles area and getting their students involved in the creation of a unique mural conveying whatever message they feel suits them best. Details coming soon.
Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority, Inc.
“Cultivating leaders, strengthening communities”
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Lambda Theta Alpha was founded at Kean University, in NJ in December of 1975, as the first sorority ever created to cater towards the needs of Latinas in the nation. The purpose of Lambda Theta Alpha shall be to provide a sisterhood based on Unity, Love, & Respect. To develop strong Leaders who will then provide and practice political, social and cultural activities. To promote Latino Unity through charitable and educational programs and to maintain a high standard of learning and serve as a voice for all Latino students.

Lambda Theta Alpha is not an exclusive group of women. Although our roots are Latin, we have sisters from various cultures, nationalities and races including Caribbean, Caucasian, African American, European, Central and South American, Asian, Middle Eastern, and many more. We are an organization that fights for the empowerment of all women, regardless of their race, color, creed or religion.

Event Spotlight: Every Fall Semester, sisters host the Universal Woman Campaign. A week of events catered toward empowering women and students of color.

Lambda Theta Nu Sorority, Inc.
“Are You Ready to Blossom?”
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Lambda Theta Nu Sorority, Inc. was established on March 11, 1986 at California State University, Chico. Founded on three pillars of academic excellence, community service, and sisterhood, our organization strives to cultivate leaders by supporting the growth and development of women of color in higher education. As an academic organization, we encourage our members to challenge themselves in their studies. In the past we have continuously had one of the highest GPA’s in the Multicultural Greek Council and in Spring 2013 we received our sorority’s national Academic Excellence Chapter of the year award and we also had the highest GPA out of all Greek organizations at USC. In addition to participating in and organizing on-campus activities, we participate in various projects that help us serve the needs of our community and to serve as positive role models for our youth. Through these experiences, we help develop the leadership potential and skills of each of our sisters while developing and maintaining strong bonds with one another. Our goal is to offer support for our sisters not only throughout their undergraduate career, but also during their endeavors in post-graduate work and the professional world. Our sisterhood extends past our undergraduate years, into the rest of our lives.

Event Spotlight:
Every spring semester Lambda Theta Nu Sorority Inc. hosts the Latina Youth Leadership Conference on the USC campus. We bring in high school girls of color to introduce them to college life through various workshops. The workshops focus on college academics and financial aid, self-empowerment and opportunities in higher education. We hope that through this event, young girls are able to set themselves up to achieve success as they continue through high school and pursue higher education. Our chapter is also proud to offer a scholarship every spring to a local college-bound senior.

Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity, Inc.
“Chivalry Above Self”
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Organization Facebook: USC Lambda: the Empire of Troy

Lambda Theta Phi is the first and largest Latino fraternity in the nation with over 150 chapters across the United States. The fraternity provides the Latino college student the opportunity to be part of a family with a mission: To cultivate a spirit of brotherhood, to value an education, to promote unity among all Latinos, to be proud of and cherish our heritage, to assert roles of leadership, to develop character, to practice chivalry, and to serve mankind. Lambda Theta Phi raises the social and cultural conscience of the Latin male college student. Since its start at Kean University in 1975, it has raised awareness for political involvement amongst Latinos through their national philanthropy, Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute.

The Beta Lambda chapter at USC looks for strong-minded young men that want to promote unity and leadership within the community. Founded on March 2000, our chapter prides itself in focusing on the quality of our members, not the quantity. Brothers have developed events that raise funds for the homeless, raise awareness to Latino culture to the campus, and promote professionalism during the undergraduate years and after college. Graduates of the fraternity have gone to work at start-up companies, STEM-related careers, and Law.

Event spotlight:
Every semester, Lambda Theta Phi hosts “Feed the Less Fortunate.” Brothers come together with other organizations to make food for the homeless in Skid Row. The event provides its participants with an eye opening experience the homeless in downtown Los Angeles.
Omega Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
“Serving and Educating through Our Diversity”
“Sirviendo y Educando a través de Nuestra Diversidad”
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Founded on March 15, 1989 in New York, Omega Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated strives to serve and educate people of diverse backgrounds through sisterhood, leadership, and guidance. As positive role models, we promote unity of all cultures, focus on the empowerment of our gender and raise the standards of excellence in our academic, social, and personal endeavors.

USC’s 2011 Campus-wide Greek Organization of the Year, OPBSI – Phi Chapter, was chartered at USC in the Fall of 2003. It was the first MGC organization to Probate and Surface at USC, bringing many east coast traditions to the west. Proud of the struggle and hard work that went into bringing our organization to campus, we stand up for what we believe and have worked hard to get our deserved respect. Our chapter continues to bring great programming to campus and has received National recognition for our Leadership and Unity Conference: Project UJIMA. We are the first Latina-based organization in USC’s history to win the community service award at the university’s all council’s Greek awards. In addition we were also the first Greek-lettered organization to be awarded Organization of the Year for the Latino Student Assembly. Our most recent awards include 2016-2017 awards for Innovative Collaboration, Wellness and Safety Excellence, and Diversity & Inclusivity from the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Leadership Development.

Event Spotlight:
Our Week of Illumination is hosted each year, which dedicated to political and social issues that often go ignored in our communities.

Sigma Delta Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
“Excellentia et Fides Intra Fraternitus”
“Excellence and Loyalty amongst brothers.”
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On April 22nd, 1995, 21 gentlemen who strived for more within their communities, their academics, and themselves established the first and largest multi-cultural fraternity on the University of Southern California campus. Sigma Delta Alpha is a proud fraternity that embraces all cultures and traditions. The brothers represent people in the world of academics that strive to be positive role models to youth in the community. Sigma Delta Alpha at USC has won the Fraternity of the Year award for the 2009-2010 & 2011-2012 years. We have alumni in the House of Representatives, serving in the armed forces and in top firms all over the world. We also hold the strongest alumni base in the Multicultural Greek Council and continue to produce brothers who ignite change during and after their undergraduate years. As the Fraternity with the largest current active body, we will continue to strive forward and beyond.

Event Spotlight:
Raised over $1,200 for the Toys for Tots charity in December of 2013.
Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity, Inc.
“Opportunity for Wisdom, Wisdom for Culture”
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Website: http://slbusc.wix.com/uscbetaman

Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity Inc. was established at the University of Iowa in 1986 by 18 men of diverse cultural backgrounds. Since its establishment, Sigma Lambda Beta has become the largest, fastest growing, and most successful Latino-based multicultural organization. Built upon the principles of Brotherhood, Scholarship, Community Service, and Cultural Awareness, Sigma Lambda Beta’s mission is to better serve the needs and wants of all people.

Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity Inc. values fairness, opportunity, and the equality of all men regardless of their race, culture, or ethnicity. We are committed to creating and expanding multicultural leadership, promoting academic excellence, advocating cultural awareness and education, and establishing a brotherhood amongst all intelligent and dedicated young men on university campuses across the nation.

Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc.
“Culture is Pride, Pride is Success”
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Lambda Gamma is the largest and fastest growing Latina-based sorority. At USC, we are proud to be one of the most diverse multicultural sororities on campus. Our sisters take pride in their respective cultures and are always learning from the cultures around them.

Gammas are an incredibly diverse group of women committed to empowering ourselves and our community through our five principles: Academics, Community Service, Morals and Ethics, Cultural Awareness, and Social Interaction. We are always spending time with one another whether we’re strolling, working on homework, hanging out or any other crazy thing we come up with! We’re not shy so come up and introduce yourself if you ever run into one of us on campus!

Event spotlight:
During the Fall semester, the Nu Alpha chapter at the University of Southern California hosts “Check Yourself.” It is an event dedicated to educate the USC community on Breast Cancer and what they can do to support awareness, as well as help out the cause. We bring in survivors, doctors and representatives from the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. During the Spring semester, our signature event is “Empowering Women”. This event serves to expose individuals to the stories, accomplishments, and challenges women from different cultural backgrounds have faced. The distinguished women who speak on our panel demonstrate how they have become leaders in our society and continually work to better their communities.
Parent Programs

¡Bienvenidos!

USC Parent Programs Welcomes our Chicano/Latino Parents!

USC Parent Programs provides a center of communication and resources for USC’s parent constituency in order to engage and enrich the parent, the student and the university community. Programas para Padres de la Universidad del Sur de California (USC) es un centro de comunicación y recursos para padres de los estudiantes, que buscan integrar y enriquecer la experiencia universitaria para padres, estudiantes y la comunidad entera.

USC Parent Programs (Programas para Padres)
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http://studentaffairs.usc.edu/parent-programs/

USC Student Affairs

Spanish Undergraduate Student Association

Interested in Spanish or Latin American cultures?

SUAS sponsors a variety of activities which enrich the cultural, intellectual and academic experience of the undergraduate student.

Events:
Weekly conversation tables
Guest speakers
Movie Nights
Dinners at Latin American restaurants
Special Events
Have more ideas? Just let us know!

For more info and to receive updates on our events, email: susa@usc.edu
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Case Competitions

For more information: visit us in Fertitta Hall Suite 201 (JFF201), or online at https://www.marshall.usc.edu/current-students
FORESHMEN/TRANSFERS:

1) Maintain your financial aid eligibility
Maintain a GPA higher than a 2.3 to remain eligible for financial aid. Turn in all required documentation to the financial aid office by the deadlines! To turn in any financial aid documents follow the link to http://www.usc.edu/admission/fa/undergraduates/admitted/financial-aid-summary.html. Deadlines are very important; buy a calendar where you can keep track of what is due and when it is due. El Centro provides free planners. Create your own personal folder and keep records/copies of everything. Do not throw away anything.

2) Time management is everything!
Do not do the all-nighters. Studies show that sleep deprivation causes a decrease in attention span and an inability to store information into your memory. This means that you will stress and risk your health and GPA. Write in this handbook’s planner, and try to finish your assignments. Even if you do not have enough time to complete everything in your day’s to-do-list, prioritize. If want to go to that free movie screening or food give-away, you need to prioritize and make sure that you will get everything done before the due date. Study early, hit the sack, and wake up ready to attack. You can also visit USC Kortschak Center for Learning and Creativity at http://kortschakcenter.usc.edu/ or USC Center for Academic Support, http://sait.usc.edu/academicsupport/ for time management resources; find out the next time management workshop or set up an appointment to visit them for help.

3) Ask for help...don’t wait for someone to help you
If you start to sink academically, or you just really want that A, visit the Center for Academic Support, located in STU 301, for free tutoring. You can also visit the Kortschak Center for Learning and Creativity located in STU 311 for more help. Also, ask your professors for help because they are here to help you. And of course visit a student resource center such as El Centro if you need help with anything that is or is not related to academics (i.e. problems at home, financial aid problems, relationship problems, stress, etc.). We can direct you to more help. You can also visit the Counseling Center located at the Engemann Student Health Center if you would like to speak to someone about personal matters. Their phone number is (213) 740-9355. Friends are great people that will help you get through anything, but if you need anyone else visit the resource centers or groups on campus. USC wants you to succeed.

4) Meet with your advisor
You are required by the university to make an appointment and visit your advisor before registering for spring and fall semesters in order to avoid registration ‘holds’. Advisors will help you select the proper classes for your general education and major’s requirements. If you are undecided they can help you decide on a major, investigate career and internship options, and help you develop job searching skills. Also, become friends with them so they can help you outside of the office with new opportunities. Visit your department’s website for more information or simply email your advisor to schedule an appointment.

5) Talk to your professor and TA
Your professors get wrapped up with their jobs, families, and personal problems, just like us. So, introduce yourself and build rapport with them. Do not hesitate if they seem busy, they might surprise you when they actually have a lot to talk about. Become friends with them and show them that you care about your grade as well as their well-being. Go to their office hours, and they will definitely remember you when they are grading papers. They will provide a great source for recommendation letters, mentoring, and job opportunities.
6) **Your USCard is your key to everything!**
Keep your USCard safe and close. It will allow you to buy food, check out library books, access your dorm room, and visit the Lyon Center. Attach your USC card to your key chain or put it in your wallet so that you can always know where it is. If you lose it, report it lost online, and go to the USCard Office the next day to get a new one for $25. For more information visit [http://www.usc.edu/bus-affairs/admin_serv/uscard_serv/](http://www.usc.edu/bus-affairs/admin_serv/uscard_serv/).

7) **Stay healthy**
Get some exercise and as much sleep as possible. School food can pack on the pounds and too much stress can make you sick. Be careful of the "freshmen 15," it's not a myth, but don't forget to eat either! Take advantage of the facilities USC has to offer such as the Lyon Center and the Engemann Student Health Center. The Lyon Center is a gym that offers recreational sports, yoga, swim, dance, etc. Visit [https://sait.usc.edu/recsports/facilities/lyon-center-lrc/](https://sait.usc.edu/recsports/facilities/lyon-center-lrc/) for more information. The Health Center has many different counseling services, health promotion and disease prevention programs. They promote healthy lifestyles and care for your physical and psychological illnesses and concerns. For more information visit [http://engemannshc.usc.edu/](http://engemannshc.usc.edu/).

8) **Planning to work?**
First, you will need a resume. Whether you have one or would like to build a resume it is best to visit the Career Center which is located in STU 110. The career center will be your one stop shop for questions and help. Second, try to find an on-campus work-study job. If you are on campus, hours are flexible and you don’t have to commute. Talk to financial aid for work study eligibility. Their number is (213) 740-9111 or you can visit them in person. They are located at John Hubbard Hall. Third, be on the lookout for job fairs; they are typically held at the beginning of each semester on campus. Visit [http://careers.usc.edu/](http://careers.usc.edu/) for more information. You can also visit, [http://ois.usc.edu/employment/employment-f1/f1oncampusemployment/](http://ois.usc.edu/employment/employment-f1/f1oncampusemployment/) for more information about working on-campus as an international student.

9) **Get Involved!**
Give yourself a break from studying once in a while and get involved on campus. You can also beat homesickness by joining clubs or organizations on campus, the school newspaper, the Greek Society, choir, intramural sports etc. The Latina/o Student Assembly alone has over 20 clubs and organizations you can join. Visit El Centro or the Volunteer Center for more information on how to get involved. You will find your best friends by being in something you both like. Check out El Centro’s website for more information about the Latinx Orgs, [http://elcentro.usc.edu/involvement/](http://elcentro.usc.edu/involvement/). You can also check out [http://campusactivities.usc.edu/](http://campusactivities.usc.edu/) for more information about other student organizations at USC. For volunteer opportunities visit the JEP house or visit their website for more information at [http://dornsife.usc.edu/joint-educational-project/](http://dornsife.usc.edu/joint-educational-project/). Make sure to visit them within the first week of classes for volunteer opportunities.

10) **Exam time: Deactivate your Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Tumblr, etc.**
Internet is a beautiful invention that helps us access information during those wonderful research papers, right? Unfortunately, it is a big distraction during midterm season and finals week. Temporarily deactivate your account, or make your best friend change your password and you can change theirs. Do not give in to the temptation of the mouse! For more information for how to deactivate your account visit [http://www.facebook.com/help/359046244166395/](http://www.facebook.com/help/359046244166395/) for Facebook, for twitter [http://support.twitter.com/articles/15358-deactivating-your-account](http://support.twitter.com/articles/15358-deactivating-your-account), and for Tumblr [http://www.ehow.com/how_8782722_do-deactivate-tumblr.html](http://www.ehow.com/how_8782722_do-deactivate-tumblr.html).
11) Need a Ride?
You may need a bike to get around campus but what about when you want to go out and explore LA? Campus Cruiser runs all week and weekends if you want to reach a place off campus within a one mile radius from the center of campus. Their number is (213)740-4911. Nightly between 7:00 PM and 2:00 AM, if you call Campus Cruiser and the wait time exceeds 15 minutes, the dispatcher will invite you to request a free Uber ride via the USC button on the Uber app. During these hours, rides that stay entirely within Campus Cruiser boundaries will be paid for automatically by USC, but only if requested via the USC button. Please note, excessive surge fares will not be covered. The program also will be available on football game days beginning four and a half hours after kick off until 2:00 AM. Go here for more info on UBER at USC: http://transnet.usc.edu/index.php/campus-cruiser-program/how-to-use-uber/. You can also take the YellowCab which accepts USCards. Their number is (800) USC-TAXI. An alternative to the YellowCab is Lyft. If you have an iPhone or android, you can download the app. Lyft makes it easy and cheap to get a ride around town. There is also the metro, Los Angeles' public transportation. Check out their website for more information at http://www.metro.net/. USC also has buses that have routes inside of USC and around the neighborhood. If you are interested, check out their website for more information at http://transnet.usc.edu/. Zip Cars are also available inside USC campus and around campus. For more information, visit their website, http://www.zipcar.com/usc. Go out and explore the beautiful city of Angels!

12) STUDY, STUDY, STUDY, STUDY...
Find a quiet study space. Leavey Library is open 24/7. There are rooms at the Ronald Tutor Campus Center, Doheny Library, and the computer rooms at Salvatori Computer Science Center and King Hall, which offer small study rooms. To reserve a space at one of the libraries visit http://www.usc.edu/libraries/about/library_space/. You can also find nice spot on the grass to study. Form study groups so you can share notes and review course work. Most importantly, don’t fall behind on your readings! And do not hesitate to ask for help. El Centro Chicano is here for you. Check out this website for more places to study on, http://sait.usc.edu/campuscenter/page.asp?PageID=194.

13) Beat home sickness
Get involved! We know it’s so cliché, but it is really the best way to adjust to your new environment! You can also develop a comfort zone by bringing things from home that are familiar or important. Stay in touch with those you love; remember to call, e-mail or visit them. Everyone gets homesick once and a while but you will find out that SC makes a great home. Come to El Centro if you need anything! We are more than happy to help. We are located on the fourth floor of the student union, STU 402. Wishing you the best of luck-Fight On!
GRADUATE STUDENTS:

1) **Time management**
As a graduate student, there might be more on a student’s plate. Don’t procrastinate! Not waiting until the last minute to do an assignment is advice that has been given to us since we can remember, however, it applies to us now more than ever.

2) **Network**
Make sure to go out there and meet new people! Meet your classmates, professors or other people at USC! By networking, you will find new friends, study buddies, and that support system you will need to survive grad school! You can network by getting involved and joining organizations in your program.

3) **Mentor**
Along with meeting new people, it’s important to get a mentor. It can be another student who is in another year, a professor, or someone who is in the profession that has qualities that you admire. It might feel awkward asking someone “Do you want to be my mentor?” but there is nothing to lose! They will feel honored to be considered and you will benefit from all the advice they can give you! You are never too old to get a mentor and you can never have too many mentors.

4) **Self-Care**
School can be stressful and time consuming but don’t forget to take a break once in a while and do the hobbies you love.

5) **School Spirit**
You may feel that the undergraduates have way more school spirit, but don’t be afraid to join them! You are now part of the USC Familia and you have every right to show it off!

6) **Resources**
Finally we encourage graduate students to venture out of their school/program/department and explore other resources on campus beginning with USC El Centro Chicano, a cultural resource center on campus established in 1972 (located on the 4th floor of the student union, STU 402), as well as other offices and programs highlighted in the Latino Resource Handbook. In addition, we strongly encourage you to seek out organizations you might want to be a part of, starting with Latino Graduate Organizations listed in the club/organization section in the Latino Resource Handbook. These additional resources will help you in achieving the tips identified above and ultimately a well-balanced success at USC.

*Wishing you the best of luck-Fight On!*
Office for Wellness and Health Promotion

Programs and Services

Health Promotion Specialists
Wellness Advocates & Wellness Links
CARE Workshops
Happy Hour Yoga, Tai Chi, & Mindfulness
Pause for Paws Therapy Dogs

Wellness Lounge
Exploring Alcohol-Use and Student Success [BASICS]
Drug Education Consultation [DEC]
Student Practicum & Internships
Safer Sex Supplies

BASICS
Balancing Alcohol and Substances to Improve College Success

HOW IT WORKS
Employing a Harm-Reduction approach, BASICS and DEC aim to motivate students to reduce risky behaviors rather than focus on a specific drinking or drug-use goal such as abstinence or reduced drinking. Students may be referred from medical, housing, or disciplinary services, however any student may sign up for BASICS or DEC to meet with a Health Promotion Specialist.

WHAT IS AT-RISK DRINKING?
For men, at-risk drinking is more than 4 standard doses* of alcohol in a day and/or more than 14 doses per week. For women, at-risk drinking is more than 3 doses in a day and/or 7 doses per week.

CONFIDENTIALITY
BASICS and DEC programs are both non-judgemental and empathetic -- Students can be assured that any information revealed during each appointment will remain completely confidential.

TIME COMMITMENT
BASICS: Two 60-minute appointments, one week apart.
DEC: One 60-minute appointment

To schedule an appointment: Call (213) 946-4777 or visit 634-314 in the Engemann Student Health Center.

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  at jesusdia@chan.usc.edu
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  OT minor courses, such as
- **OT 220**: *Introduction to*
  Occupational Therapy, or
- **OT 310**: Creativity Workshop.

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To Make An Appointment
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or
usc.edu/myshr

USC Engemann Student Health Center
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BECOME A WELLNESS ADVOCATE OR WELLNESS LINK

with the Office for Wellness and Health Promotion

ADVOCATES and LINKS represent the diverse and dynamic USC student body dedicated to the health and wellbeing of their fellow students. All students are welcome to apply.

Fall 2017 Application opens: August 15, 2017

Training Dates:
September 16 - 17, 2017 and September 23 - 24, 2017

*Spring 2018 Application and Training Dates: TBA

Scan the QR code or visit ESH203 for more information.

https://engemannshc.usc.edu/wellness/want-to-get-involved/

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Office for Wellness and Health Promotion

request a CARE WORKSHOP

Wellness Advocates from the Office for Wellness and Health Promotion are available to lead CARE Workshops with student groups, including student organizations, athletic teams, Greek organizations, residence halls, etc.

CARE & the MIND
CARE & the BODY
CARE & CONNECTION
CARE & COMMUNITY

HOW TO REQUEST A CARE WORKSHOP
Scan the QR code or visit the OWHP website to submit a CARE Workshop Request Form

HAPPY HOUR?
I’m down, dog.

HAPPY HOUR SCHEDULE

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VINYASA FLOW YOGA
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Academic Recognition Programs
Through a variety of programs and services, ARP supports students’ efforts to make the most of their academic experience at the university, and to seek further opportunities for study and research. Their services include International Fellowships, Trustee and Presidential Scholars and the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.
Phone (213) 740-9116 | Email: arpsstaff@usc.edu | Location: Student Union Building 300
Web: http://www.usc.edu/student-affairs/LSS/arp/

Asian Pacific American Student Services (APASS)
Asian Pacific American Student Services (APASS) is a department within the Division of Student Affairs that offers an array of programming designed to educate, engage and empower students.
APASS has a two-fold mission: to facilitate Asian Pacific American participation, dialogue, community-building, and empowerment, while at the same time, to serve as a source of cross-cultural educational programming for the entire campus.
Phone (213) 740-4999 | Email: apass@usc.edu | Location: STU 410 Web: http://apass.usc.edu/

The Center for Black Cultural and Student Affairs (CBCSA)
The Center for Black Cultural and Student Affairs (CBCSA) is here to welcome you to the Trojan family at the University of Southern California. CBCSA is a department that works toward creating an optimal learning environment for students of African descent and the Trojan family at large.
Phone (213) 740-8257 | Email: cbcsa@usc.edu | Location: STU 415
Web: http://usccbcsa.usc.edu/

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBT) Resource Center
The LGBT Resource Center works in collaboration with other campus offices, organizations and community networks to create a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment for all students, faculty, and staff. Please stop by if you identify as gay, lesbian, bi, transgender, ally or questioning, or simply interested in our services.
Phone (213) 740-7619 | Email: lgbt@usc.edu | Location: Student Union (STU) 202B
Web: http://lgbtrc.usc.edu/

The Center for Academic Support
The Center for Academic Support is the central resource and referral agency for learning enrichment at USC. Upper division students, graduate students, faculty, staff and volunteers at USC coordinate a program of mentoring and academic enrichment in a university-wide effort to address student needs. Academic Support contributes a collaborative approach to learning within the academic community. We offer learning assistance and tutoring in various subjects for USC students at selected locations on campus including residential sites. Academic success seminars and workshops are scheduled throughout the academic year.
Phone (213) 740-1741 | Email: study@usc.edu | Location: Student Union (STU) 301
Web: http://sait.usc.edu/academicsupport/

Center for Engineering Diversity
The Center for Engineering Diversity (CED) at the University of Southern California is dedicated to promoting scholastic, personal and professional excellence among underrepresented students in the Viterbi School of Engineering. CED engenders scholastic and personal achievement within our community of scholars while preparing students for successful careers as industry professionals and encouraging the pursuit of graduate degrees.
Phone: 213-740-1999 | Location: Ronald Tutor Hall (RTH) 210 | Hours: Monday-Friday (8:30am-5pm)
Web: http://viterbi.usc.edu/ced/
Center for the Study of Immigrant Integration

The mission of the Center for the Study of Immigrant Integration (CSII) is to remake the narrative for understanding, and to shape the dialogue, on immigrant integration in America. CSII intends to identify and evaluate the mutual benefits of immigrant integration for the native-born and immigrants and to study the pace of the ongoing transformation in different locations, not only in the past and present but projected into the future. CSII brings together three emphases: scholarship that draws on academic theory and rigorous research, data that provides information structured to highlight the process of immigrant integration over time, and engagement that seeks to create new dialogues with government, community organizers, business and civic leaders, immigrants and the voting public. The center is also co-directed by Dr. Manuel Pastor, Professor of Sociology and American Studies & Ethnicity and Dr. Jody Vallejo, Associate Professor of Sociology and American Studies & Ethnicity.

Phone: (213) 740-3643 | Email: csii@usc.edu | Location: Jefferson Building (JEF) 102 | Web: http://dornsife.usc.edu/csii

Norman Topping Student Aid Fund

The purpose of the Norman Topping Student Aid Fund (NTSAF) is to assist students with high financial need who demonstrate an extraordinary level of community awareness in their pursuit of higher education at the University of Southern California. The NTSAF offers supplemental scholarships to entering freshmen, transfer and graduate students based on the individual USC Financial Aid package of each Scholar. Applicants residing in areas surrounding the University Park Campus and Health Sciences campus and first-generation college students are given primary consideration in the selection process. Please note that the scholarship is not limited to these populations.

The Norman Topping Student Aid Fund is the only student initiated, student funded, primarily student administered scholarship in the nation.

Phone: (213) 740-7575 | Location: Student Union Building 313 | Web: http://www.usc.edu/ntsaf

Tomás Rivera Policy Institute

The Tomás Rivera Policy Institute, housed at the USC School of Policy, Planning, and Development, is the nation’s oldest and most well-recognized think tank on Latino issues. For nearly two decades, TRPI has studied and analyzed the issues of the Latino population in the United States. TRPI clusters its research and policy advocacy activities into four main areas: economic well-being, on which the future of the Latino community’s well-being depends; educational issues faced by Latino students, parents, teachers, and administrators; information technology—closing the gap between the technological “haves” and “have-nots”; and political and civic engagement, giving voice to the Latino community’s perceptions, preferences, experience, voting trends and political behavior.

Phone: (213) 821-6263 | Email: trpi@usc.edu | Location: Annenberg School of Communication (ASC) 324F | Hours: Monday-Friday (8:30am-5pm) | Web: http://www.trpi.org/

USC TRiO Programs

The federally funded TRiO programs were created to motivate and support low-income and first-generation, minority students in progressing through the academic pipeline from middle school through college. USC TRiO includes three Upward Bound programs, one Upward Bound Math-Science program and two Educational Talent Search programs.

USC also is home to another federal TRiO program, the Ronald E. McNair Post-baccalaureate Achievement Program, which assists undergraduates in preparing for and enrolling in graduate studies at the doctoral level.

Phone: (213) 821-2402 | Location: Research Annex / Hoffman Contracts Research Building 262, MC 7708 | Hours: Monday-Friday (9am-5pm) | Website: http://communities.usc.edu/college-access/trio-programs/

USC’s Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention and Services (RSVP)

Previously known as the USC Center for Women & Men, Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention and Services exists to facilitate the success of students, faculty and staff by providing innovative opportunities for leadership and scholarship and by offering advocacy and confidential counseling to those who have experienced gender-related harm. Through its educational programs, its services foster a better understanding of feminism, healthy masculinity and gender equity. RSVP provides immediate therapy services for situations related to gender and power-based harm (e.g., sexual assault, domestic violence, stalking). Above all, it serves as a haven for students, staff and faculty.

Phone: (213) 740-4900 | Location: Engemann Student Health Center, Suite 356 | Hours: Monday—Friday (9am-5pm) After Hours—press “0” to speak with on-call counselor

Web: https://engemannshc.usc.edu/rsvp/
USC Kortschak Center for Learning and Creativity
The mission of the USC Kortschak Center for Learning and Creativity (USC KCLC) is to provide enhanced academic support services at the University of Southern California. USC KCLC does this by providing individual learning strategy sessions, tutoring in academic disciplines, and assistive technology for students with a identified learning disorder (LD), dyslexia, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) and other learning differences. The Center incorporates a multidisciplinary approach to assisting students’ learning and support strategies. This approach includes access to professionals in psychology, occupational therapy, educational psychology, and neuropsychology within the university. In addition, students have access to learning specialists and specialized content area tutors.
Phone 213-740-7884 | Location: Student Union (STU), Suite 311 Hours: Monday-Friday (8:30am-5pm)
Web: http://kortschacenter.usc.edu/

USC Latino Forum
The mission of the USC Latino Forum is to promote networking among USC staff and faculty; to foster recruitment, recruitment, retention and professional advancement; to advocate for issues of interest to its members; to promote the recruitment and retention of Latino students at USC; and to serve as a liaison between the university and the community. The USC Latino Forum has historically served as the voice of Latino Faculty and Staff at the University of Southern California since 1987. We gather several times a semester for social, academic and intellectual events that celebrate and stimulate conversations around what it means to be Latino at USC in Los Angeles and in the United States as the demographics continue to shift around us. Annual events include the Tamalada in December, the Carne Asada in May/June, as well as panel discussions, guest speakers and off-campus socials. Membership is open to any USC faculty or Staff member interested in improving the quality of life for Latinos and all people of color on the USC campus.
Phone (213) 821-5363 | Email: latino4m@dornsife.usc.edu | Location: Kaprielian Hall (KAP) 462 | Web: http://dornsife.usc.edu/latinoforum

The Writing Center
The Writing Center is a component of the Writing Program that provides one-to-one consultations and computer resources to assist any student who seeks or is required to have individualized assistance in writing. Available to all students at the university, both undergraduate and graduate, the Writing Center is characterized by a non-judgmental, comfortable environment; it is a friendly place where students and consultants work collaboratively at all stages of the writing process, from getting started on a topic to revising and editing a draft of a nearly complete essay.
Phone (213) 740-3691 | Location: Taper Hall (THH) 216
Web: http://dornsife.usc.edu/writingcenter/

Engemann Student Health Center
Our mission at Engemann Student Health Center is to provide high quality, cost-effective and client oriented services and resources in health promotion and disease prevention, primary care and counseling to the University Park Campus student community. We strive to facilitate the completion of your academic career at USC by promoting healthy lifestyles and caring for your physical and psychological illnesses and concerns.
Phone (213) 740-9355 | Email: eshcgen@usc.edu | Location: 1031 West 34th Street
Web: http://engemannshc.usc.edu/

Academic Honors & International Fellowships
USC Academic Honors and Fellowships is committed to educating the USC community about university awards and nationally competitive fellowships, and mentoring motivated students and recent alumni in their pursuit of these opportunities. We advise Trustee, Presidential, Mork and Stamps Scholars on scholarship benefits and policies, and guide the Trojan Scholar Society (TSS) student organization in the promotion of a vibrant Scholar community.
Phone (213) 740-9116 | Email: ahfstaff@usc.edu | Location: STU 300
Web: https://ahf.usc.edu/
At the LGBT Resource Center (LGBTRC) (est. 2005), we provide support, education, and advocacy for LGBT and ally undergraduate and graduate students at the University of Southern California. We also provide resources and referrals, such as information about other LGBT support services, to the USC LGBT community.

At the LGBTRC, we maintain a multicultural framework with our programs/services to make certain the intersectionality of diversity issues among LGBT identities are represented. **We support our LGBTQ+ Latinx community** and invite you to participate in our programs/events and also to make use of our physical space on the second floor of the Student Union (STU 202). Come study, eat lunch, or just hangout in our **Lavender Lounge**! You can use our **Keurig machine**, watch your favorite show on our smart TV, and even **print for FREE** using our student computers! We hope to see you soon.

**Contact us by emailing lgbt@usc.edu or calling at 213-740-7619.**
The USC Libraries support your information needs on Latin America and Spain, as well as the contributions of US Latinos/Hispanics in books/ebooks, journals, archives, films, y mucho más.

See Yourself In Your Libraries initiative, a commitment to more diverse and inclusive library programming, focuses on preserving the history of USC student organizations in University Archives. Contact us to learn how your group can participate.

On September 28, join us for Three Laureates, an event at Bovard Auditorium, sponsored by Visions and Voices, and organized by the USC Libraries and El Centro Chicano, featuring US Poet Laureate Juan Felipe Herrera!

NOVEDADES: What’s New for 2017-2018

* New database: Arte Púlpico Hispanic Historical Collection (Parts 1-2)
* New USC Digital Library collection: photographs of noted journalist Ruben Salazar
* New Don Quixote books in the Boeckmann Center’s Murillo Cervantes Collection
* New Information card on ancient Mexican codices in the Boeckmann Center. Ask for a free copy in Doheny Library’s second-floor Special Collections.

OTRO SERVICIOS IMPORTANTES: Your Essential Library Services

* Expert reference assistance online, in person, or by phone
* Class visits to Special Collections and library tours for student organizations
* Recommend a book for the collection, or borrow it through interlibrary loan

ESTAR EN CONTACTO: Get in Touch
Contact Librarian Barbara Robinson, at brobinso@usc.edu or by calling the Special Collections reference desk at (213) 740-5900.

Stay current on news about the USC Libraries: libraries.usc.edu/news
Visit the Chicano and Latino Studies research guide: libguides.usc.edu/chicanoandlatinostudies

USC Libraries
• SCHOLARSHIPS•

The following are scholarship opportunities available both through USC departments and privately. All private scholarship information listed should be read thoroughly; it is not meant to be an endorsement. Please use your judgment.

**USC Scholarships**
Alumni Association Scholarships
http://alumni.usc.edu/students/scholarships/

USC Latino Alumni Association (LAA)
http://latinoalumni.usc.edu/

USC’s Norman Topping Student Aid Fund Scholarship (NTSAF)*
http://www.usc.edu/student-affairs/ntsaf

USC Town and Gown Scholarship*
http://www.townandgownusc.com/scholarship.asp

USC School of Cinematic Arts
http://cinema.usc.edu/scholarships/index.cfm

USC Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism
http://annenberg.usc.edu/CurrentStudents/UGStudentSvcs/Scholarships.aspx

USC Viterbi School of Engineering
http://viterbi.usc.edu/students/undergrad/finaid/

USC Thornton School of Music
http://www.usc.edu/schools/music/admission/finaid/index.html

Keck School of Medicine of USC
http://keck.usc.edu/en/About/Support_Keck/Fundraising_Priorities/Student_Scholarships.aspx

USC Dornsife College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences
http://dornsife.usc.edu/scholarship/

All USC Scholarships
http://admission.usc.edu/docs/Scholarships.pdf

**Hispanic Scholarships**
The Hispanic Scholarship Fund*
http://www.hsf.net

Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute*
http://www.chci.org/scholarships/

HACU (Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities)
http://www.hacu.net/hacu/Scholarships.asp
National Hispanic Health Professional Student Scholarship  
http://www.nhmafoundation.org/index.php/scholarship-program  

Latino College Dollars  
http://www.latinocollegedollars.org/  

MALDEF (Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund)  
http://maldef.org/leadership/scholarships/  

TELACU  
http://telacu.com/  

Scholarship Search Engines  
1) FastWEB Scholarship Search*  
http://www.fastweb.com  

2) Aid (scholarships)  
http://www.finaid.org  

3) Scholarship Search  
http://www.scholarships.com  

4) National Scholarships at all levels*  
http://scholarships.fatomei.com/index.html  

5) Minority Scholarships*  
http://www.blackexcel.org/200-Scholarships.html  

6) CollegeBoard  
https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college?fromPage=home  

7) Finding the Right Scholarships  
http://www.testprepreview.com/college-scholarships.htm  

8) Unigo  
https://www.unigo.com/  

Additionally, stop by El Centro and check out our bulletin boards, updated continuously throughout the year for new Scholarships, Internships and Fellowships!
The Office for Diversity & Strategic Initiatives

The Virtual Food Pantry is an emergency resource for USC students. Students may request Ralph’s gift cards up to 4 times a semester. [http://dornsife.usc.edu/food-pantry/](http://dornsife.usc.edu/food-pantry/)

The Trojan Guardian Scholars Program is committed to supporting ambitious, college-bound students exiting the foster care system. Our goal is to assist students in attaining a bachelor’s degree, career development, and self-sufficiency. [http://dornsife.usc.edu/trojan-guardian-scholars/](http://dornsife.usc.edu/trojan-guardian-scholars/)

Please save the date for our 3rd Annual First-Generation College Student Summit on Friday, February 2nd 2018. [http://dornsife.usc.edu/first-generation-college-student-summit/](http://dornsife.usc.edu/first-generation-college-student-summit/)

Dornsife College of Letters, Arts & Sciences
For more information about ODSI visit [https://dornsife.usc.edu/diversity/](https://dornsife.usc.edu/diversity/)
For information on first-generation college student resources visit [dornsife.usc.edu/firstgenatusc](http://dornsife.usc.edu/firstgenatusc)
Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention and Services


RSVP strives to enrich the USC experience across lines of gender, race, ethnicity, ability and sexual orientation. Our mission is to eliminate gender-based harm through prevention, education and collaboration. We also offer a safe and confidential space by providing counseling and advocacy for survivors of gender-based harm (e.g., sexual assault, dating violence, stalking, childhood sexual abuse).

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- BLOW: Fitness Classes For trauma Survivors

Domestic Violence Awareness Month
Stalking Awareness Month
Sexual Assault Awareness Month
Peer Program, VOICE

You can also be involved with RSVP by volunteering, supporting events, and signing up to be on our newsletter!

Contact Us
Engemann Student Health Center, Suite 356
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Office Phone: (213) 740-6709
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USC Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Program
(http://dornsife.usc.edu/mmuf)
The fundamental objective of MMUF is to increase the number of minority students in Ph.D. programs in the arts and sciences. Each MMUF Fellow is paired with a faculty mentor who assists them with their research project. Fellows present their research through scholarly articles, oral reports, workshops, conferences, multimedia displays, and/or at USC’s annual undergraduate symposium for scholarly and creative work. Fellows attend annual Western Regional Conferences, dinner and research symposiums, and graduate school workshops; receive fall, spring, and summer research stipends; GRE preparation; GRE fee waivers; fee waivers for graduate school applications; conference travel; and qualify for loan repayment programs.
National Website: www.mmuf.org
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USC Research Gateway Scholars Program
(https://gatewayscholars.usc.edu/)
The Research Gateway Scholars Program is a student academic services initiative sponsored by the University of Southern California, Office of Undergraduate Programs. The program builds upon the best program practices and remarkable success of the USC McNair Scholars Program. Through an array of academic affairs initiatives and student services, the Research Gateway Scholars Program provides educational and career advising, academic skills building workshops/seminars, research training and other research-related opportunities, graduate school preparation, mentorships, summer programs, opportunities to participate in national-level academic and professional conferences, and scholarships and other supplemental funding. Eligible students include a select group of high achieving undergraduates from first generation college backgrounds, low-income households, and historically underrepresented minority communities. At USC, the program is administered collaboratively with the support of multiple departments across the university. In critical ways, the program complements USC’s core academic, student affairs, and diversity programs.
Phone: (213) 740-8702
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USC Fisher Fellows
(http://dornsife.usc.edu/fisher-fellows-program/)
The Fisher Fellowship is the first program at USC Dornsife that enables students with financial needs to fully participate in the enrichment opportunities that are at the heart of the college. Students selected for this program will receive between $6,000 and $10,000, which may be used over a three-year period to participate in programs that involve international travel, field research, and service to various communities.
Contact: Danika Newlee: newlee@usc.edu
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Institute for the Recruitment of Teachers (IRT)
(http://www.andover.edu/irt)
The Institute for the Recruitment of Teachers strives to increase the number of minority students pursuing graduate degrees in teaching, counseling and administrative careers so that the pool of potential faculty members in the K-12 and university levels will become more diverse. Each year, the institute supports outstanding college students and graduates from diverse backgrounds throughout the graduate school application process. The Summer Workshop is a four-week long program, where students work with faculty in seminars ranging from writing, discussions, conferences, debates and presentations. Students engage in a graduate-level curriculum, prepare for the GRE and work on statements of purpose that will be part of their graduate school applications. Participants receive a $1200 stipend, travel expenses, and room and board. Deadline is April 1st of each year.
Phone: (978) 749-4116
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Office of Undergraduate Programs
(https://undergrad.usc.edu/)
By providing a distinctive undergraduate experience built on excellent liberal arts and professional programs, we aim to create unique opportunities for career preparation through innovative collaborations across disciplines. The university’s commitment to becoming the world center for innovative interdisciplinary research and undergraduate education is reflected in the emphasis on providing opportunities for students to participate in research and related scholarly endeavors. Our academic programs span the spectrum from basic to applied research with a high degree of societal relevance. This focus on undergraduate participation in the creation of knowledge is a principal ingredient of the academic experience at USC.
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USC Career Center: “Learn About Internships” Webpage
(https://careers.usc.edu/students/find-a-job/learn-about-internships/)
The USC Career Center is committed to helping you achieve your professional goals. To that end, we are proud to welcome you to our website, which features all the key resources and essential information you need to succeed in today’s increasingly hyper-competitive job market. Internships provide hands-on, industry experience and the opportunity to make connections with professionals in their prospective career fields.
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Global Fellows
(http://careers.usc.edu/students/apply-for-funding/global-fellows/)
The USC Global Fellows Internship Program provides $5,000-$7,000 stipends to USC undergraduates who are United States citizens to live and intern in Asia for an eight-week period during the summer. This program aims to increase student understanding of international business, politics, and culture. Students will have the opportunity to establish relationships and gain invaluable work experience under the supervision of International and/or American organizations abroad. Students are selected through an application and interview process. Internships are likely to be available in commercial, political and cultural centers such as Beijing, Guangzhou, Haikou, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Taipei, and Tokyo, among others.
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ConnectSC
Connect SC is a USC Career Center tool created to help students receive assistance with selecting a major, looking for an internship, resume critique, mock interviews or pursuing a professional position. Students may take advantage of career counseling/advising by making an appointment 24/7 on connectSC. Connect SC is available through each student’s MyUSC portal or through the career center website.
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Email: careers@usc.edu

Winslow-Maxwell Global Summer Internships
The Marshall School of Business has partnered with a number of internship providers and agencies to provide students access to internship experiences outside of the US. The goal is to provide students with theoretical as well as practical experiences working and navigating within the international global environment. Currently, partnerships are in London (one for freshmen and one for more advanced students), Madrid, Dublin, Prague, Singapore, Hong Kong, and Milan, Italy (for students interested in Fashion). All locations except the advanced London option are open to all USC undergraduate majors interested in perfecting their leadership abilities within an international environment. Students selected by USC Marshall to participate in one of these locations are also eligible to apply for a need-based scholarship partially funded by the Winslow-Maxwell Foundation. Students were given almost $80,000 in support during the summer of 2016.
Phone: (213) 740-5705
Email: studentervices@marshall.usc.edu

Marshall International Summer Internship Program
Companies actively search for students who are tops in their classes and have actual experience within their field. To help alleviate this problem, the Marshall School has launched the “Marshall International Summer Internship Program”. Students who are selected for MISIP will spend June and July (the dates of the program are approximately June 1-August 1), gaining invaluable work and cultural experiences outside of the U.S. Students selected to participate in the program will be provided a stipend, which will cover their economy class air ticket, rent for reasonable and secure housing, and meals. MISIP interns will NOT be required to enroll in a USC class, nor will USC charge any fees, other than International Insurance (no program fees). Students will NOT be able to select the industry in which they will intern nor the company for whom they will work. The committee will do their best to match students to areas of interest, but cannot make any guarantees. The program is open to USC Business Majors or Minors ONLY.
Phone: (213) 740-5705
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The Japan Exchange and Teaching Program (JET)
The Japan Exchange and Teaching Program aims to improve foreign language education in Japan and to encourage international exchange by fostering ties between Japanese youth and foreign youth. JET Program participants have the opportunity of serving in local government offices as well as public and private elementary schools, junior high and senior high schools. Participants are appointed by a contracting organization for a one-year period; the cost of transportation is covered by the program as well as compensation.
Phone: (213) 617-6700 ext. 332
E-mail: jetprogram@ws.mofa.go.jp

Post - Graduate Programs

Programs for Graduate Students
Coro Fellows Program
The Coro Fellows Program in Public Affairs is a full-time, nine month, graduate-level experiential leadership training program that prepares diverse, talented and committed individuals for effective and ethical leadership in the public affairs arena. The Fellows Program is rigorous and demanding, and is offered in Los Angeles, New York, Pittsburgh, San Francisco and St. Louis. Coro introduces program participants to all aspects of the public affairs arena, preparing them to translate their ideals into action for improving their own communities and beyond.
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The Social Science Research Council (SSRC) is an independent, nonprofit international organization founded in 1923. It nurtures new generations of social scientists, fosters innovative research, and mobilizes necessary knowledge on important public issues. The SSRC administers the annual graduate student conference and pre-doctoral grants for Mellon Fellows. They offer various fellowships and programs.
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USC Graduate School Programs
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The Graduate School oversees and confers all Ph.D. and master’s degrees at USC, in the College of Arts and Sciences and the university’s 17 professional schools. The Graduate School is responsible for:
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• Fostering high-quality education;
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Other Opportunities to Check Out

Fulbright
*Graduating seniors and graduate students can both apply for this fellowship (http://us.fulbrightonline.org/)
The Fulbright U.S. Student Program provides grants for individually designed study/research projects or English Teaching Assistantships. Fulbright provides full funding for a year abroad in over 150 countries for graduating seniors and graduate students who are U.S. citizens. Fulbright grants generally provide round-trip transportation; language or orientation courses, where appropriate; tuition, in some cases; book and research allowances; a maintenance allowance for the academic year, based on living costs in the host country; and supplemental health and accident insurance.
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USC Gould Student, Faculty, and Staff Immigrant Legal Advice Project

What is the Student, Faculty, and Staff Immigration Legal Advice Project?

The Legal Advice Project provides free, confidential legal consultations and referrals to USC students, faculty, and staff who have questions regarding their immigration status and legal rights under current immigration laws. The Project is funded by the Office of the Provost.

Are you a student, staff, or faculty with any of the issues listed below?

- Individuals outside of the US with visas or LPR (green card) status who are having difficulty returning to the US or who are in the US and have concerns about traveling and returning;
- Individuals with DACA or who previously had DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals);
- Undocumented individuals;
- Individuals who have been arrested by immigration authorities or who believe they are in danger of being arrested by immigration authorities;
- Individuals seeking to naturalize and become US citizens;
- Individuals who otherwise have a need for advice or representation related to immigration issues.

Contact Us

Give us a call or email us for more information about our services.

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Visit us on the web at https://tinyurl.com/ydxd82yq

**International students and scholars should continue to seek advice from USC’s Office of International Services, and International faculty and staff should continue to seek advice from Faculty/Staff Visa Services (FSVS).**

Immigration Clinic USC Gould

https://tinyurl.com/ydxd82yq

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Although the California DREAM Act, authored by Assembly member Gil Cedillo, was passed by the California Legislature and signed into law by Governor Jerry Brown in 2011, there is still much work to be done in order to gain greater financial aid for AB540 students here at the University of Southern California.

With the new presidential administration in place, USC has enacted additional resources and support for students to access at any point in time. Faculty, staff, and students across the university are working together to aid students with enrollment services, housing, financial support, and counseling services.

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If you are interested in becoming involved in the assuring that all students at USC are fairly considered for any form of financial assistance and scholarship opportunities and grants, please contact our very own student organization focused on the needs and concerns of the immigrant and undocumented student communities, **IDEAS at USC**

**IDEAS at USC**
Email: ideasusc@usc.edu
Facebook Group Page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/284671061546280/ IDEASATUSC
Instagram: IDEASUSC

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**LATINX RESOURCE HANDBOOK**
USG Undocumented Student Resource
The Resource Guide was enacted in Fall 2015 through the leadership of USG Senator Sabrina Enriquez. It was tailored to aid USC prospective and current undocumented students through their college experience, and is in constant flux. Website: http://usg.usc.edu/resources/undocumented-student-guide. If you have any recommendations for the guide please Email: seenriqu@usc.edu.

Legal Resources
• Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles (www.chirla.org)
• Central American Resource Center (www.carecen-la.org)
• Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund (www.maldef.org)
• Korean Resource Center (www.krcla.org)
• American Immigration Lawyers Association (www.ailalawyer.com)
• Immigrant Legal Resource Center (www.ilrc.org)
• National Immigration Law Center (www.nilc.org)
• USC Gould Immigration Clinic (http://gould.usc.edu/academics/experiential/clinics/immigration/)
• Salvadoran American Legal and Educational Fund [https://www.salef.org]

DREAMer Support Groups
• California DREAM Network (www.cadreamnetwork.org)
• DREAM Activist (http://action.dreamactivist.org)
• DREAM Team LA (www.dreamteamlca.org)
• UCLA Downtown Labor Center (http://labor.ucla.edu)
• Salvadoran American Leadership and Educational Fund (www.salef.org)
• Orange County Immigrant Youth United (http://www.ociyu.org)
• Educators For Fair Consideration (http://www.e4fc.org/home.html)
• United We Dream (http://unitedwedream.org)

Scholarships/Internships
• Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute (http://www.chci.org/)
• Dr. Juan, Jr. Scholarship for Young Hispanic Leaders (http://newleaderscholarship.org/apply/)
• Hispanic Association of Colleges & Universities (http://www.hacu.net/hacu/default.asp)
• MALDEF List of Scholarships (http://www.maldef.org/assets/pdf/2016-2017_MALDEF_Scholarship_List.pdf)
• SALEF (https://www.salef.org/)
• List of Undergraduate Scholarships (http://www.e4fc.org/images/E4FC_Scholarships.pdf)
• La Unidad Latina (https://www.lulf.org)
• 1000 Degrees (http://www.1000degrees.org/students/scholarships/undocumented-students/)
• Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics Essay Contest (http://www.eliwieselfoundation.org/entercontest.aspx)
• Great Minds in Stem (http://www.greatmindsinstem.org/college/kenaac-scholarship-program)
• Davis Putter Scholarship Fund (http://www.davisputter.org)
• Google Lime Scholarship Program (https://edu.google.com/scholarships/the-google-lime-scholarship/)

Graduate Fellowships/Scholarships
• The Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowship For New Americans (http://www.pdsoros.org/)
• Byron Hanke Fellowship (http://www.cairf.org/scholarships/hanke.aspx)
• La Unidad Latina (https://www.lulf.org)
• Davis Putter Scholarship Fund (http://www.davisputter.org)
• Google Lime Scholarship Program (https://www.chci.org/fellowships/)
• Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute (http://www.chci.org/fellowships/)
• CHCI Public Policy Fellowship
• CHCI Graduate Fellowship Program
• HACU National Internship Program (http://www.hacu.net/hacu/Become_an_Intern.asp)
• Pre-Health Dreamers (http://www.phdreamers.org/)
• List of Graduate Scholarships (http://www.e4fc.org/images/E4FC_Grad_Scholarships.pdf)
• MALDEF Law School Scholarship Program (http://www.maldef.org/leadership/scholarships/index.html)

Scholarship Search Engines
• http://www.actonadream.org/resources/scholarships/
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CA DREAM Act (https://dream.csac.ca.gov/)
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Central American Resource Center (Centro de Recursos Centroamericanos)
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Mission: The mission of CARECEN is to empower Central Americans by defending human and civil rights, as well as working for social and economic justice and promoting cultural diversity.

Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles (CHIRLA)
Website: http://www.chirla.org/
The Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles (CHIRLA) was formed in 1986 and officially founded in 1993 to advance the human and civil rights of immigrants and refugees in Los Angeles; promote harmonious multi-ethnic and multi-racial human relations; and through coalition-building, advocacy, community education and organizing, empower immigrants and their allies to build a more just society.

Community Coalition
Website: http://cocosouthla.org/
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El Nido Family Centers: South West Family Source Center  
**Website:** [http://elnidofamilycenters.org/](http://elnidofamilycenters.org/)  
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El Pueblo de Los Angeles  
**Website:** [http://elpueblo.lacity.org/index.htm](http://elpueblo.lacity.org/index.htm)  

Located in Downtown Los Angeles, El Pueblo de Los Angeles is part of the oldest sections of Los Angeles. El Pueblo is made up of the Union Station, La Placita Church, Olvera Street (a Mexican marketplace), Avila Adobe, the Old Plaza Firehouse, the Pico House, and Merced Theater. El Pueblo serves as a cultural center where many people gather to celebrate the history and the diversity of Los Angeles through art, festivals, and historical tours. The buildings are preserved for their history and have been transformed into museums and art galleries.

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**Phone:** 213-351-6800 ext. 2518  
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Hispanic Association of Colleges & Universities  
**Website:** [http://www.hacu.net](http://www.hacu.net)  

The Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU) was established in 1986 with a founding membership of eighteen institutions. Because of HACU’s exemplary leadership on behalf of the nation’s youngest and fastest-growing population, the Association rapidly grew in numbers and national impact. HACU’s mission is to Champion Hispanic Success in Higher Education. HACU fulfills its mission by promoting the development of member colleges and universities, improving access to and the quality of post-secondary educational opportunities for Hispanic students, and meeting the needs of business, industry and government through the development and sharing of resources, information and expertise.

La Plaza de Cultura y Artes  
**Website:** [http://lapca.org/](http://lapca.org/)

The mission of LA Plaza de Cultura y Artes is to celebrate and cultivate an appreciation for the enduring and evolving influence of Mexican and Mexican-American culture, with a specific focus upon the unique Mexican-American experience in Los Angeles and Southern California. La plaza is home to exhibitions, programs and services, which encourage people to experience and participate in the ongoing story of Mexican Americans in Los Angeles and beyond.

Latino Professional Network  
**Website:** [http://lpnonline.com/](http://lpnonline.com/)

The Latino Professional Network, founded in Los Angeles in September of 1999, stands as one of the largest and preeminent associations of Latino professionals, community leaders, and students in the country. Since its inception, the LPN’s guiding precept and goal was to galvanize and unify the ever-growing community of Latino Professionals in the United States. The LPN also seeks to harness the skills, education, resources, and passion of Latino Leaders to assist the next generation of leaders and support the community at large. The LPN has also constantly strived to build bridges between all the communities that contribute to our collective diversity.
Latino Resource Organization  
**Website:** www.latinoresource.org  
**Location:** 610 California Ave. Venice, CA 90291  
**Phone:** 310.578.6069   Fax: 310.578.0490  
Latino Resource Organization Inc. is a nonprofit community based social service organization that is dedicated to assist less fortunate individuals, families and seniors in the West Los Angeles area. It provides many human services and programs that support low-income families of diverse cultures to improve their quality of life. Their programs include: Consultation and Assistance with Social Services, Immigration and Naturalization Services, Tax Assistance, Environmental Education Program and Financial Literacy Program. They also work in collaboration with the West Los Angeles Family Resource Center where individuals can find Adult & Senior programs, different health care and education programs, as well as social and fitness events.

League of United Latin American Citizens  
**Website:** www.lulac.org  
LULAC National Office 1133 19th Street, NW, Suite 1000 Washington, DC 20036  
**Tel:** (202) 833-6130 Fax: (202) 833-6135  
California Regional Office 1 225 8th Street, Suite 375 Sacramento, CA 95814  
**Tel:** (916) 407-4914 Fax: (916) 448-3248  
Los Angeles Office 634 S. Spring Street, Suites 902/916 Los Angeles, CA 90014  
**Tel:** (916) 407-4918  
The League of United Latin American Citizens is the oldest and most widely respected Hispanic Civil Rights organization in the United States of America. The Mission of the League of United Latin American Citizens is to advance the economic condition, educational attainment, political influence, housing, health and civil rights of the Hispanic population of the United States. They have access to many programs ranging from civic participation to young adult groups, in order to improve opportunities for Hispanic Americans.

Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund  
**Website:** http://www.maldef.org/  
Founded in 1968, MALDEF is the nation’s leading Latino legal civil rights organization. Often described as the “law firm of the Latino community”, MALDEF promotes social change through advocacy, communications, community education, and litigation in the areas of education, employment, immigrant rights, and political access.

National Association of Latino Elected Officials  
**Website:** http://www.naleo.org/  
Offices in Los Angeles:  
**Tel:** (213) 747-7606 Fax: (213) 747-7664  
The NALEO Educational Fund is the nation’s leading 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that facilitates full Latino participation in the American political process, from citizenship to public service. Established in 1981, the NALEO Educational Fund is making significant contributions to the progress of the nation’s 45.5 million Latinos.

National Hispanic Media Coalition (NHMC) – Established 1986  
**Website:** http://www.nhmc.org/  
The National Hispanic Media Coalition (NHMC) is a media advocacy and civil rights organization for the advancement of Latinos, working towards a media that is fair and inclusive of Latinos, and towards universal, affordable, and open access to communications. NHMC serves as a national organization with a strong presence in the following areas: California, New York, Arizona, Michigan and Washington, D.C.
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For more information on Work Study Jobs visit: http://www.usc.edu/admission/fa/workstudy/

To find Work Study Job opportunities visit: http://www.usc.edu/portal/student_jobs/

For other employment opportunities visit: ConnectSC (available through your MyUSC portal) and create an account to view various job/internship opportunities.

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Los Angeles was officially founded in 1781 by the governor of Baja and Alta California Felipe de Neve with the official name of El Pueblo de La Reina de Los Angeles, although at times it was also referred to as El Pueblo de Nuestra Senora Reina de Los Angeles de Porciuncula. When the settlers arrived to Los Angeles, the area was populated by Tongva Indians the Spaniards renamed Gabrieliños, after the Spanish Mission San Gabriel de Arcangel founded ten years earlier. These and other Native American groups had inhabited the area of Los Angeles for at least tens of thousands of years.

The “Spanish” settlers that arrived to populate the area consisted of a wide racial mixture. Many were full Indians from Sonora and Sinaloa, others were descendants of Spanish and Indian parents, several were also Black or mulatto. There were only two “Spaniards” in the group, one born in New Spain and only one born in Spain. One of the settlers may have even been Filipino since he came from Manila. At the time of its founding, New Spain was in the process of populating Alta California with presidios (military forts) to defend it from foreign intervention, missions to Christianize Indians, and pueblos for families from New Spain to populate. Los Angeles, was only the second civilian settlement in California. Despite the arrival of Spanish settlers, soldiers, and friars, the majority of the population in Southern California was undoubtedly Indian until the 1820s.

In 1821, Mexico gained Independence from Spain and Alta California became Mexican territory. During the Mexican period, Los Angeles’ economy grew exponentially and was based primarily on the cattle industry and trade with foreigners. New Spain and Mexico had given large land grants to the settlers of the Los Angeles area. When the United States and Mexico fought a war between 1846 and 1848, the local Californios gave the U.S. Army its clearest defeat at the Battle of San Pascual.

The United States won the war and the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo set the terms of peace. Two of the agreements in the treaty stated that Mexico would cede its northern territories including California in exchange for 15 million dollars, and that Mexicans who chose to remain in the former Mexican territories were to be guaranteed U.S. citizenship and all the rights that came with citizenship. This is how Mexican Los Angeles began its transition into an American Los Angeles. Despite the rapid population growth of the state in 1849, the immediate Americanization of the north, and the admission of California as a state of the United States in 1850, Los Angeles retained strong Spanish, Mexican, and local Californio cultural influences for at least
two decades. However, Mexicans were not the only “Latino” group in California at this time. In fact, some of the first gold miners to arrive in San Francisco in 1848 were from Chile. Even some of the miners from Sonora, Mexico were originally from Chile.

Even though the state constitution was drafted by Americans and Californios together, and all the legal documents of the state were printed in English and Spanish, Californios gradually lost their numerical majority as well as their political and economic power during the latter half of the nineteenth century. It was during this period that many Californio elite lost their land in legal struggles and some Californios turned to social banditry and gained infamy like Joaquin Murieta and Tiburcio Vasquez. It was not until the 1920s that Los Angeles saw a large resurgence of Mexican residents in Los Angeles. Largely spurred by the economic stagnation resulting from the Mexican Revolution of the 1910s, Mexicans in Los Angeles constituted the largest number of Mexicans outside of Mexico City by the late 1920s. Because of the repatriation of Mexicans during the first years of the Great Depression, Los Angeles lost one third of its Mexican population. During the 1940s and 1950s the Mexican population grew slowly.

It was not until after 1965 that the Latino population of Los Angeles grew rapidly. More Mexicans live in Los Angeles than in any city other than Mexico City itself. Yet by the year 2000, the Mexican community made up only 79 percent of the region’s Latino population. The city attracted large numbers of immigrants from Central America, particularly during the 1980’s. People from El Salvador, Guatemala, and Nicaragua form the largest Latino communities after those of Mexican origin. In 2005, Los Angeles elected its first Latino mayor since 1872, the Mexican American, Antonio Villaraigosa. It is from institutions like USC and cities like Los Angeles that one can expect many other Latino “firsts.” Which “first” will you be?

Gerardo Licón, History, Ph.D.
USC ’09
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Heritage Square Museum of Los Angeles
(http://www.heritagesquare.org)
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Homestead Museum
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(http://www.getty.edu/)
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Los Angeles County Museum (LACMA)
(http://www.lacma.org/)
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Los Angeles Museum of the Holocaust (http://www.lamoth.org/)
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Commemoration
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Museum of Latin American Art (MOLAA) (http://www.molaa.org)
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Museum of Tolerance (http://www.museumoftolerance.com)
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Geovanna Nichols-Julien ’19
gnichols@usc.edu
Major: Vocal Arts

Welcome to USC! I am Geovanna Nichols-Julien and I am so honored to be the RA on El Sol y La Luna Latino Floor for 2017-2018. I am a junior majoring in Vocal Arts at the Thornton School of Music and I am working to be an opera singer after I graduate from USC. I am from Torrance, CA, about 30 minutes away from campus. I am a first generation American, proud Mexicana, and the oldest of four children. Outside of Opera singing and being an RA, I am president of The Chamber Opera of USC, a USC Club, charter member of an MGC sorority, an Orientation Coordinator with the office of Orientation Programs and a huge Dodger fan. My family is the most important thing in my life and before college I was feeling nervous about being away from them, even if it was only a short drive away. Thankfully, I found comfort in the Latino Floor. Two years ago I was able to create lasting friendships that evolved into family relationships that shaped the rest of my USC experience. The time I spent on the floor is filled with wonderful memories, tough times, and so much love. It is my sincere hope that I can continue to foster that environment for Latinx students on the floor and in the larger USC community. With all of that, I want to welcome you to the Latino community at USC. It is the greatest community I have ever had the pleasure of being part of, and I hope that during your time here you will see how powerful, beautiful and strong our community can be. Bienvenidos to the Latino Floor residents, 32 strangers that will become lifelong familia, bienvenidos to the Latino Floor honorary members, who may find themselves sleeping in a different place, but are always welcome in our Latino Floor home. Best of luck, and fight on! –Vanna
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“If you’re outraged at conditions, then you can’t possibly be free or happy until you devote all your time to changing them and do nothing but that. But you can’t change anything if you want to hold onto a good job, a good way of life and avoid sacrifice.” – Cesar Chavez

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Don’t Forget...

You don’t get to choose how you’re going to die. Or when. You can only decide how you’re going to live now.”
– Joan Baez, Singer and Human Rights Activist

14 Monday

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16 Wednesday Latino Floor Move-In: La Bienvenida
10:00AM-3:00PM @ Fluor Tower @ 6th floor (Lounge)

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17 Thursday

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19 Saturday  Latino Floor: Beach Retreat
10:00AM-4:00PM @ Santa Monica Beach

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20 Sunday  Black & Latinx New Student Symposium
11:00AM-5:00PM @ Taper Hall

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AUGUST 2017

Don’t Forget...

“The day someone quits school he is condemning himself to a future of poverty.” – Jaime Escalante, Educator

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23 Wednesday  El Centro Chicano (ECC) Fall Open House
2:00PM-4:00PM @ El Centro Chicano, Student Union Suite 402

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|           |          |        | Javier Solís Birthday  
|           |          |        | 9/1/1931-4/19/1966  
|           |          |        | USC Football vs. Western Michigan |
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|           | Luis Federico Leloir Birthday  
|           | 9/6/1906 – 12/2/1987 | Brazil Independence  
|           | | September 7, 1822 | USC Football vs. Stanford |
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|           | Oscar Arias Birthday  
|           | 9/13/1940 | Honduras/ Nicaragua/ Guatemala/ El Salvador/ Costa Rica Independence  
|           | | September 15, 1821 | USC Football vs. Texas |
| 20        | 21       | 22     | 23        |
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|           | September 21, 1981 | | USC Football @ California |
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“One of the greatest things you have in life is that no one has the authority to tell you what you want to be. You’re the one who’ll decide what you want to be. Respect yourself and respect the integrity of others as well. The greatest thing you have is your self image, a positive opinion of yourself. You must never let anyone take it from you.” – Jaime Escalante, Educator

28  Monday

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30  Wednesday  Project Remix Kick-Off: Critical Dialogues – Summer Recap
5:00PM-7:00PM @ TBA

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“Personally, I believe that our American system works as long as you participate in it. You must vote and make your voice heard. Otherwise you will be left out.” – Mari-Luci Jaramillo, Educator, Diplomat

4  Monday

5  Tuesday  *A Vision & Voices Event: Borders, Bans, Walls, and Welcomes: U.S. Immigration Today
7:00PM @ Doheny Library RM 240, Co-sponsored by El Centro Chicano

6  Wednesday  *A Vision & Voices Event: O Solo Homo: Performances by Marga Gomez and Tim Miller
7:00PM-8:30PM @ USC Brain and Creativity Institute’s Joyce J. Cammilleri Hall (BCI)
Co-sponsored by El Centro Chicano

Notes:
7 Thursday

*Black Graduate Student Network (BGSN) & Latino Graduate Student Association (LGSA) presents Graduate Student Mixer
6pm-8pm @ TBA, Co-sponsored by El Centro Chicano

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8 Friday

Power Pan Dulce Fridays feat. TBA
12:00PM–1:30PM @ El Centro Chicano, Student Union Suite 402

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Don’t Forget...

"I am a firm believer in education and have worked very hard to tell young Latinos that they must go to college and that, if possible, they should pursue an advanced degree. I am convinced that education is the great equalizer." – Jimmy Smits, Actor

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Don’t Forget...

“There is not a liberal America and a conservative America - there is the United States of America. There is not a black America and a white America and Latino America and Asian America - there’s only the United States of America.”
– Barack Obama, 44th President of the United States

18  Monday

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21 Thursday

Project Remix: Student-Faculty Meet and Greet
2:30PM-4:30PM @ TBA

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23 Saturday

Latino Parent Association (LPA) Meeting
8:30AM-11:00AM @ El Centro Chicano, Student Union Suite 402

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- Latino Honor Society: Sophomore Recognition Ceremony @ TBA
- ECC & LGSA Presents: Grad School Para Mensos @ TBA

**Birthdays:**
- Sal Castro 10/25/1933 - 4/15/2013
- Celia Cruz 10/21/1924 – 7/16/2003
- Guillermo del Toro 10/9/1964

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"The power of philanthropy is the power to take risk – to do what others want to do, but can’t. If you want to do something you care about, take advantage of it." – Aida Rodriguez, Philanthropist

25 Monday

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26 Tuesday

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28 Thursday

* A Vision & Voices Event: Three Laureates: Poets of the New California
7:00PM @ USC Bovard Auditorium, Co-sponsored by El Centro Chicano

Notes:

29 Friday

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30 Saturday

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1 Sunday

Notes:
Don’t Forget...

“Take care of your family first. But then reach out to your neighbor, your block, your city, your country. Everybody wants change, but they want it to come by way of somebody else...If you wait for the government, you’ll wait a long time.”
– Edward James Olmos, Actor

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6 Friday

Power Pan Dulce Fridays feat. TBA
12:00PM–1:30PM @ El Centro Chicano, Student Union Suite 402

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7 Saturday

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8 Sunday

Notes:
“If you are ready to criticize a system, be equally ready to offer assistance to improve it.” – Armando Sanchez, Educator

9  Monday

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11  Wednesday

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12 Thursday  
Project ReMiX: Spoken Justice  
6:30PM-8PM @ Ground Zero  

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13 Friday  
El Centro Chicano, Latino Alumni Association & Latino Parents Association present  
“Maximizing the Trojan Experience: A Guide for USC Latino Parents” @ TBA  

Notes:  

14 Saturday  
El Centro Chicano & CBCSA presents Unity Tailgate (Trojan Family Weekend)  
3 ½ hours before Kick-Off @ McCarthy Quad, Co-Sponsored by LPA  

Notes:  

15 Sunday  

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OCTOBER 2017

Don't Forget...

“Young Latinos and kids of color don’t get the message that it’s ok to be proud of their culture and background. One can be proud of traditions, community, and have a ‘sense of being’ in their cultural community. One can and should be proud of that connection.” – Magui Rubalcava, Philanthropist

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“Don’t believe all of the negative perceptions that are out there about youth. You, along with your families and communities can change things. You need to be part of a network of peers and adults who can work together to achieve a vision you may have... Young people are not in a ‘waiting period’... waiting to be leaders, waiting to make a difference... young people matter now! Act to be heard!” – Barbara Taveras, Philanthropist

23 Monday

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26 Thursday

* A Vision & Voices Event:
Tonight at the Palace!: A Variedades Tribute 7:30PM @ The Downtown Palace Theatre, Co-sponsored by El Centro Chicano

Notes:

27 Friday

Latino Floor: Dia de los Muertos/Halloween Event 8:00AM-2:00PM @ Fluor Tower

Notes:

28 Saturday

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29 Sunday

* A Vision & Voices Event:
Beethoven Was a Lesbian: A Tribute to Pauline Oliveros 4:00PM-7:00PM @ ONE National Gay & Lesbian Archives at the USC Libraries Co-sponsored by El Centro Chicano

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Alfonso Cuarón Orozco<br>Birthday<br>11/28/1961

Adolfo Pérez Esquivel<br>Birthday<br>11/26/1931
“Don’t let anyone call you a minority if you’re black or Hispanic or belong to some other ethnic group. You’re not less than anybody else.” – Gwendolyn Brooks, Poet

30  Monday

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31  Tuesday

Notes:

1  Wednesday  Dia de los Muertos theme night at Parkside
6pm-9pm at Parkside Grill

Notes:
2 Thursday

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3 Friday

Power Pan Dulce Fridays feat. TBA
12:00PM–1:30PM @ El Centro Chicano, Student Union Suite 402

Notes:

4 Saturday

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5 Sunday

Notes:
“People often say that ‘beauty is in the eye of the beholder,’ and I say that the most liberating thing about beauty is realizing that you are the beholder. This empowers us to find beauty in places where others have not dared to look, including inside ourselves.” – Salma Hayek, Actress

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6  Monday

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8  Wednesday  

Project Remix: What is Resistance?  
11:30AM-1:30PM @TBA

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Notes:
9  Thursday

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10 Friday

Notes:

11 Saturday  Latino Parent Association (LPA) Meeting
             8:30AM-11:00AM @ El Centro Chicano, Student Union Suite 402

Notes:

12 Sunday

Notes:
November 2017

Don’t Forget...

“I’ve been put on the planet to serve humanity. I have to remind myself to live simply and not to overindulge, which is a constant battle in a material world.” – Sandra Cisneros, Author

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“Giving kids clothes and food is one thing but it's much more important to teach them that other people besides themselves are important, and that the best thing they can do with their lives is to use them in the service of other people.”

– Dolores Huerta, Labor Leader and Civil Rights Activist

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1 Friday  ECC & LSA Presents La Posada: Celebrating Latin-American Holiday Traditions & Giving Back
6:00PM @ United University Church

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“You never know what life has in store for you, but I believe there are certain things one is meant to go through.”
– Gloria Estefan, Singer

4  Monday

5  Tuesday  
ECC & LPA Present Finals Study Break  
6:00PM-8:00PM @ El Centro Chicano, Student Union Suite 402

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“You cannot be witness to the human suffering and not be convinced of the existence of social sin. We are responsible unless we take a stand and speak out against it.” – Father Luis Olivares, Pastor

11 Monday

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“Deprivation is the source of appetite.” – Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz, Scholar and Poet

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“What I treasure most in life is being able to dream. During my most difficult moments and complex situations I have been able to dream of a more beautiful future.” – Rigoberta Menchu, Author and Nobel Peace Prize Inductee

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**TBA Events:**

- Career Center: Diversity & Inclusion: Recruiting Night at TBA, Co-sponsored by El Centro Chicano
- ECC/LSA Presents L.A. Power Trip to TBA@TBA
- Latino Honor Society: Sophomore Recognition Ceremony TBA@TBA
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“It is absolutely essential that the oppressed participate in the revolutionary process with an increasingly critical awareness of their role as subjects of the transformation.” – Paulo Freire, Brazilian educator, philosopher, and influential theorist

8  Monday

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10  Wednesday
El Centro Chicano (ECC) Spring Open House
2:00PM-4:00PM @ El Centro Chicano, Student Union Suite 402

Notes:
11 Thursday

Spring Black & Latino New Student Symposium
5:30pm-7:30pm @ TBA

Notes:

12 Friday

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13 Saturday

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14 Sunday

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“We apply law to facts. We don’t apply feelings to facts.” – Sonia Sotomayor, U.S. Supreme Court Justice

15 Monday

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20 Saturday

7th Annual Latino Student Empowerment Conference: Research & Practice
10:00AM-3:00PM @ ECC, STU 402 & Career Center STU 110 Presented by: ECC, ASE, CSII, PERE & LSA.
Co-sponsored by LGSA, LSWC, LGSA, USC Price Latino Student Association & USC Latino Law Student

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21 Sunday

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"Talent is a gift that brings with it an obligation to serve the world, and not ourselves, for it is not of our making."
– Jose Marti, Poet

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|           |          |        | Roberto Gómez Bolaño Birthday  
2/21/1929 – 11/18/2014 |          |
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**TBA Events:**
- ECC/LSA Presents L.A. Power Trip  
  TBA@TBA
- Project Remix: Black History Month  
  TBA @ TBA
“Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail.”
– Ralph Waldo Emerson, Essayist, Lecturer, and Poet

29 Monday

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Power Pan Dulce Fridays feat. TBA
12:00PM–1:30PM @ El Centro Chicano, Student Union Suite 402

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3 Saturday

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FEBRUARY 2018

Don’t Forget...

“Experience is not what happens to you; it’s what you do with what happens to you.” – Aldous Huxley, Writer

5  Monday

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10  Saturday  
Latino Parent Association (LPA) Meeting
8:30AM-11:00AM @ El Centro Chicano, Student Union Suite 402

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11  Sunday

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FEBRUARY 2018

Don’t Forget...

“We should not judge people by their peak of excellence; but by the distance they have traveled from the point where they started.” – Henry Ward Beecher, Social Reformer

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“Charity separates the rich from the poor; aid raises the needy and sets him on the same level with the rich.”
– Eva Peron, First Lady of Argentina

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MARCH 2018

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   | Spring Recess Sun-Sun
   | 3/11/2018-3/18/2018
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   | Mario Molina Birthday
   | 3/19/1943
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Don’t Forget...

“A Chicano is a Mexican-American with a non-Anglo image of himself.” – Ruben Salazar, Mexican-American Journalist

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*A Vision & Voices Event:*
ARTIVISTAS: A Concert Inspiring Resistance, Empowerment, and Social Change
7:30PM @ USC Bovard Auditorium, Co-sponsored by El Centro Chicano

Notes:

2  Friday

Power Pan Dulce Fridays feat. TBA
12:00PM–1:30PM @ El Centro Chicano, Student Union Suite 402

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3  Saturday

Latino Parent Association (LPA) Meeting
8:30AM–11:00AM @ El Centro Chicano, Student Union Suite 402

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MARCH 2018
Don’t Forget...

“You are the Universe of Universes and your soul a source of songs.” – Ruben Dario, Poet

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“Let your dreams change your reality, don’t let your reality change your dreams.” – Unknown

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Don’t Forget...

“You cannot let where you start, define where you will end up.” – Unknown

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APRIL 2018

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Maria de los Ángeles Félix
Birthday

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Bernardo Alberto Houssay
Birthday
4/10/1887 – 9/21/1971

Dolores Huerta
Birthday
April 10, 1930

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Selena Quintanilla
Birthday
4/16/1971 - 3/30/1995

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George Lopez Birthday
April 23, 1961

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- Latino Honor Society Induction Ceremony
  - TBA/TBA
“The difference between school and life? In school, you’re taught a lesson and then given a test. In life, you’re given a test that teaches you a lesson.” – Unknown

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"Education is the best gift you could ever receive, because once you have it, no one can ever take it from you.” – Unknown

“Through others we become ourselves.” – Unknown

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7  Saturday  Latino Parent Association (LPA) Meeting
            8:30AM-11:00AM @ El Centro Chicano, Student Union Suite 402

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8  Sunday

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April 2018

Don’t Forget...

“I never paint dreams or nightmares. I paint my own reality.” – Frida Kahlo, Mexican Painter

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"We cannot seek achievement for ourselves and forget about the progress and prosperity for our community. Our ambitions must be broad enough to include the aspirations and needs of others, for their sakes and for our own."
– Cesar Chavez, Farm Worker, Labor Leader, and Civil Rights Activist

16 Monday

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“Preservation of one’s own culture does not require contempt or disrespect for other cultures.”
– Cesar Chavez, Farm Worker, Labor Leader, and Civil Rights Activist

### 23 Monday

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### 24 Tuesday

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### 25 Wednesday

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26 Thursday

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27 Friday

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28 Saturday  *Black & Latino Multicultural Breakfast
8:00AM-11:00AM @ Town & Gown, Co-sponsored by El Centro Chicano

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29 Sunday

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“When one door of happiness closes, another opens; but often we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one that has been opened for us” – Helen Keller, American author, political activist, and lecturer.

30 Monday

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1 Tuesday  ECC & LPA Finals Study Break
            6:00PM-8:00PM @ El Centro Chicano, Student Union Suite 402

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“In three words I can sum up everything I’ve learned about life: it goes on.” – Robert Frost, Poet

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The 38th Annual Chicano/Latino Graduate Celebration
8:00PM-10:00PM @ Cromwell Field
*Co-sponsored by ECC

Notes:

11 Friday

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“He who spends time regretting the past loses the present and risks the future”
– Francisco Quevedo, Spanish nobleman, Politician, and Writer

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MAY 2018

Don’t Forget...

“Action is the foundational key to all success.”
– Pablo Picasso, Spanish painter, Sculptor, Printmaker, Ceramicist, and Stage designer

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### Calendar

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- **Javier "Chicharito" Hernández Birthday**
  6/1/1988

- **Ernesto "Che" Guevara Birthday**
  6/14/1928 - 10/9/1967
“What I fear most is power with impunity. I fear abuse of power, and the power to abuse.”
– Isabel Allende, Chilean American writer

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“Don’t forget...”

“What I fear most is power with impunity. I fear abuse of power, and the power to abuse.”

– Isabel Allende, Chilean American writer
“Only those who spread treachery, fire, and death out of hatred for the prosperity of others are undeserving of pity.”
– Jose Martí, Cuban Revolutionary, and Poet

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"I love you without knowing how, or when, or from where. I love you straightforwardly, without complexities or pride; so I love you because I know no other way." – Pablo Neruda, Poet

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"Washing one's hands of the conflict between the powerful and the powerless means to side with the powerful, not to be neutral." – Paulo Freire, Brazilian educator, philosopher, and influential theorist

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“Leaders who do not act dialogically, but insist on imposing their decisions, do not organize the people—they manipulate them. They do not liberate, nor are they liberated: they oppress.”

– Paulo Freire, Brazilian educator, philosopher, and influential theorist

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"No one is born fully-formed: it is through self-experience in the world that we become what we are.”
– Paolo Freire, Brazilian educator, philosopher, and influential theorist

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“Looking at the past must only be a means of understanding more clearly what and who they are so that they can more wisely build the future.”
– Paulo Freire, Brazilian educator, philosopher, and influential theorist

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"That's the point. It goes like this: Teaching is touching life."

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Don’t Forget...

“A life spent making mistakes is not only more honorable but more useful than a life spent doing nothing.”
– George Bernard, Irish playwright

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JULY - AUGUST 2018

Don’t Forget...

“I love you, not for what you are, but for what I am when I am with you.” – Roy Croft, Poet

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"A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort."
– Herm Albright

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“You know you’re in love when you can’t fall asleep because reality is finally better than your dreams.”
– Dr. Seuss, Writer, Poet, and Cartoonist

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**Metro Express Line 442**
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LAX City Bus Center - South Gate via La Tijera Bl - Exposition Blvd

**Metro Local Line 200**
Echo Park - Exposition Park via Alvarado St & Hoover St

**Metro Express Line 460**
Downtown LA – Disneyland via Harbor Transitway & I-105 Fwy

**Metro Expo Line**
Santa Monica – USC

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A "Pocket Guide" highlighting local hotspots near USC is available at this site, including dining, nightlife, and entertainment destinations along the new Expo Line. To view the time schedule and route map of the DASH F bus, visit [http://www.ladottransit.com/dash/routes/downtown/downtown.html](http://www.ladottransit.com/dash/routes/downtown/downtown.html)
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Visit http://www.metro.net/riding/fares/ for more information about bus fares.

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- Orange County
- Riverside
- San Bernardino
- Ventura
- 91/Perris Valley
- Amtrak

Visit http://www.metrolinktrains.com/schedules/ to view the time schedules

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ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN STUDENT SERVICES, CENTER FOR BLACK CULTURAL AND STUDENT AFFAIRS, EL CENTRO CHICANO, & LGBT RESOURCE CENTER PRESENT:

PROJECT Remix

- CALENDAR OF EVENTS -

**PROJECT Remix Kick-Off: Critical Dialogues - Summer Recap**
August 30
5:00 - 7:00 PM | Location: Pertitta Hall - JFF LL 101
Join us for a recap, discussion, and debrief of everything that happened this summer, including the transgender military ban, immigration and deportation, and the white supremacy rallies and counter-protests in Charlottesville.

**PROJECT Remix: Student & Faculty Meet and Greet**
September 21
2:30 - 4:30 PM | Location: TBD
A great opportunity for students to meet faculty across the university, including but not limited to American Studies & Ethnicity, Gender Studies, Marshall School of Business, Dramatic Arts, and Rossier School of Education.

**PROJECT Remix: Spoken Justice feat. Christopher Soto**
October 12
6:30 - 8:30 PM | Location: Ground Zero
Sponsored by: Center for Education, Identity, & Social Justice, Queer and Ally Student Assembly, Graduate Student Government, and Project Remix
Join us for a night of spoken word and slam poetry with headliner Christopher Soto (also known as Loma): a nationally renowned queer Latinx poet. First 50 attendees will receive free milkshakes.

**PROJECT Remix: What is Resistance?**
November 8
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM | Location: TBD
It’s been a year since the 2017 Presidential Election. Where are we now? Join us for a panel of students and faculty on the topic of resistance.

FACEBOOK.COM/USCPROJECTREMIX
Public Art Celebrating the Chicanx/Latinx Community at USC

Descriptions of the illustrations pictured on the back cover of this booklet:

**Memorial to Cesar Chavez**


**La Memoria de Nuestra Tierra**

La Memoria de Nuestra Tierra, is a mural painted by Judith F. Baca for the Topping Student Center. Commissioned by the university and dedicated on December 5, 1996, it depicts a landscape from a photograph of the northern part of Los Angeles. Land is the essential framework and focus of the mural. Often an image in the work of Judy Baca, the land here represents fertility, as it stretches into the distance as a source of food for the people. The river flowing from the kiva, changes to a freeway and then returns to its natural state, helping to sustain the land. In the mural the land has been stripped away showing in historical stratification the story of itself and the people who dwell on it, included among the figures are several USC students who were involved in the creation of the mural, as well as David Alfaro Siqueiros and Diego Rivera. Mural was relocated to the Ronald Tutor Campus Center Graduate Student Lounge TCC 430 and rededicated by El Centro Chicano on September 30, 2010.

**Jose Martí Sculpture**

USC’s bronze bust of José Martí, the famous nineteenth century Cuban poet and patriot, is again on display welcoming visitors to the Doheny Memorial Library's Intellectual Commons, a room housing the Boeckmann Center’s Iberian and Latin American reference collection. In April, 2008, Dean of the USC Libraries Catherine Quinlan, placed the bronze likeness of Martí in its present location. From 1994 to 2000 it was displayed in the Boeckmann Center in the lower level of Doheny Library. Its first move was to East Library for safety during the Doheny Library’s earthquake retrofit construction. In 2004 it returned to Doheny Library, this time to protect it from a retrofit construction project in East Library. It remained behind the scene for the next four years, with brief public appearances each year for special events.

**Cesar Chavez Mural**

Through support of the Latino Parents Association, the United University Church (UUC), and the community, El Centro Chicano dedicated a mural to United Farm Worker founder Cesar E. Chavez (mural on left). The mural was a collaborative effort and was dedicated in 1996. Alfredo Davalos, the artist depicts the life and principles of Chavez through images of other non-violent leaders and the work of the farm laborers. The mural is located in the Jose Carlos Lecture Hall within the former facilities of El Centro Chicano (United University Church 300, 3rd fl.). On November 12th, 2013 an updated version of mural (mural on right) in collaboration with Alfredo Davalos was dedicated at new location of El Centro Chicano (Student Union, Suite 402).

**Metamorphosis of Migration**

This mural pays tribute to the knowledge we (students) have used for our own social transformation through the migration and hard labor of our parents. The Monarch butterfly serves as a symbol for our own family’s migration; the migration and sacrifices made by family members from their country of origin all in the name of Educacion. Our family efforts and sacrifices, reflected through minimum wage occupations and educational support, serve as the foundation and source of our metamorphosis (*transformational resistance) and the aspirations they wish for us. The books that frame this process (by authors and scholars of color) are examples of resistance and activism frameworks that have supported the educational access of marginalized students. This mural by Alumnus Luis Genaro Garcia was unveiled in Spring 2016 partially completed, it was unveiled completed at the beginning of Fall 2016. It is located at El Centro Chicano (Student Union, Suite 402).

**El Centro’s Pan Dulce**

The mural is a metaphor for El Centro’s Philosophy. It represents current USC students and alumni gathering around a table consuming and sharing food and culture. The figures embody USC’s students and alumni including those who are military veterans, are undocumented, have special needs, and those who hail from different ethnic and religious backgrounds. At the center of the table is a pan dulce (sweet bread) basket representing El Centro’s Power Pan Dulce Speaker Series wherein current advocates, activists, leaders, and scholars share their knowledge and experiences to empower and support our USC community and students of color. This image reflects El Centro’s welcoming and open hospitality that sustains our students through opportunities to share and expand their cultural capital, knowledge, and to have a place where they feel they belong. This mural by Alumnus Luis Genaro Garcia was unveiled in the Fall of 2015, and it is located at El Centro Chicano (Student Union, 402). *Solórzano, D. G., & Bernal, D. D. (2001). Examining transformational resistance through a critical race and LatCrit theory framework: Chicana and Chicano students in an urban context. Urban Education, 36, 308-342.
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Memorial to Cesar Chavez  
*Dedicated March, 1998*

El Centro’s Pan Dulce  
*Unveiled Fall 2015*

Jose Marti Sculpture  
*Established 1994*

La Memoria de Nuestra Tierra  
*Dedicated Dec 5, 1996 - Rededicated Sept 30, 2010*

Cesar Chavez Mural  
*Dedicated 1996*

Cesar Chavez Mural  
*Dedicated Nov 12, 2013*

Metamorphosis of Migration  
*Unveiled Spring 2016*

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