



LATINO STUDENT EMPOWERMENT CONFERENCE

January 24, 2015; Fight On!

University of Southern California, Ronald Tutor Campus Center

Program

9:15am Light Refreshments and Registration (Ronald Tutor Campus Center Patio)

10:00am Welcome, Conference Overview, & Opening Keynote: Ernie G, Empowerment Comedian
(TCC 450 – The Forum)

10:25-11:10am

RESEARCH PANEL A: HEALTH & LABOR ISSUES (TCC 450)

Moderator: Gabriela Dominguez | Undergrad: Anthropology, Public Policy

Roxana Ontiveros | Undergrad: Political Science; Chicano Studies

"Mexican Immigrant Labor in the Pallet Industry"

David Villalvazo | Undergrad: Sociology, Political Science (Minor)

"The Invisible Workers"

Liye Machon | Undergrad: Sociology, Occupational Science (Minor)

"Health Disparities and its Relation to Power and Privilege"

SPRING ADMIT STUDENT SUCCESS STRATEGIES (TCC 232)

Moderator: Natalie Reyes | Law, History, & Culture

Karla Martinez | Communications

Braulio Hoyos | Policy, Planning & Development

(Price School) & GeoDesign (Dornsife)

Bryan Benavides | Marshall School of Business

Diana Gongora | Rossier School of Education & MAT

Secondary Education-Social Sciences

JUSTICE, ETHNICITY & CULTURE: THROUGH A FAITH LENS BY USC LAFe, USC DESTINO, AND THE USC CARUSO CENTER (LATINO MINISTRY) (TCC Rosen Family Screening Theatre)

Moderator: Damaris Garcia | USC Alumna | USC LaFe Intern & James Medina | Mission Team Leader, North LA Destino

Javier Sanchez | Human Biology, Art History Minor

Jesse Rubio | International Relations

Jessica Ticas | American Studies and Ethnicity

Yvette Ximenez | Public Policy, Planning and Development

11:15-12:00pm

RESEARCH PANEL B: Families & Youth (TCC 450)

Moderator: Diana Jimenez | International Relations

Elysia Rodriguez | Undergraduate: Sociology; News and Media Society (Minor)

"Latina's Media Attitudes"

Lucero Noyola | Undergraduate: Psychology; Sociology

"Advantages of Motherhood for Female Foster Youth Transitioning to Adulthood"

Christopher Yik | Undergraduate: Sociology

"KHMER: Identity and Social Activism"

GRAD SCHOOL 101 PRESENTED BY THE LATINO GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION (LGSA) (TCC 232)

Moderator: Diana Gongora | Rossier School of Education & MAT Secondary Education-Social Sciences
Jenecia Martinez | Gould School of Law
Sinar Lomeli | Rossier School of Education
Bryan Vanover | Viterbi School of Engineering

CONTEMPORARY GANG THEORY WORKSHOP (TCC Rosen Family Screening Theatre)

Moderator: Tony Chapa | Alumnus
Robert Hernandez | Adjunct Assistant Professor, USC School of Social Work

12:00-12:40pm Lunch (Ronald Tutor Campus Center Patio)

12:45-1:45pm THE POWER BEHIND YOUR PERSONAL BRAND: HOW ALUMNI LEVERAGE THEIR'S & YOU CAN TOO! Presented by Alumnus Angelica Urquijo, Principal of The Imagen Group; Brianne Wada, USC Career Center Internship, Diversity Programs Advisor; & Billy Vela, Director, El Centro Chicano (Trojan Presentation Room STU B3 & USC Career Center STU 110)

1:45pm-2:30pm

RESEARCH PANEL C: Families & Youth (TCC 450)

Moderator: Eric Ochoa | Industrial and Systems Engineering, Viterbi
Adrian Trinidad | Undergrad: Sociology

"Factors that Predict Transfer Rates Among Community College Students"

Katherine Martinez | Undergrad: Psychology; Entrepreneurship (Minor)

"Public vs Private: Disparities in the Educational System"

Karen Arcos | Undergrad: Psychology; Spanish (Minor)

"Teachers Think Too: The Relationship of Teacher Metacognition to Student Learning"

RESEARCH PANEL D: Challenging Marginalization (TCC Rosen Family Screening Theatre)

Moderator: Briana Jex, Ph.D | Student in Sociology

Matthew S. Mendez | Ph.D

"Who Represents the Interests of Undocumented Latino Immigrants? A Study of State Legislators"

Robert Chlala | Ph.D: Sociology

"The War(s) this Time: Cannabis, Migrants and the Making of the U.S.-Mexico Border"

Kristie Valdez-Guillen | Ph.D: American Studies

"Ritmos de Resistencia: L.A. Latino youth subcultural contestation and identity formation in the transnational Skacore scene"

RECLAIMING INNER-CITY EDUCATION: Public Art, Public Education, and Critical Pedagogy in South Central Los Angeles (TCC 232)

Moderator: Cindy Piñeda | Health Promotion major in the Keck School of Medicine
Luis G. Garcia | Alumnus, Artist/Activist/Educator

2:30- 3:00pm Evaluations and Closing Keynote: Ana Guerrero, Chief of Staff for Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti (TCC 450)