



department of  
**CHICANO/LATINO  
STUDIES**

The department celebrated their official announcement as a UCI department with performances from traditional Spanish dancers.

chicano/latino  
studies researchers  
ask *questions* like:

- ✓ How do Latino expectations for success impact educational and professional outcomes?
- ✓ How will an increasing number of registered Latino voters shape the American electorate?
- ✓ How does acculturation impact Latino cultural identity?

*findings* impact our knowledge of Chicano/Latino culture, history and health

*Faculty and undergraduate* study the historical and contemporary experiences of Chicanos and Latinos in the United States to better understand and influence Chicano/Latino history, culture, politics, social structures and policy needs.

More than 40 undergrads choose the major annually where they are taught by the department's 9 faculty experts in areas of immigration; literature; ethnic politics; racial, ethnic and minority relations; health; education; labor; history; gender studies; and racialized sexualities.

The innovative research of the department's interdisciplinary faculty from anthropology, history, literature, political science and sociology is consistently presented at international conferences, cited in national media and used by Congress and elected leaders to make policy decisions.

Chicano/Latino studies research impacts awareness, knowledge and appreciation of Chicano/Latino language, history, culture, literature, health, medicine and the creative arts.

## alumni:

Alumni have gone on to pursue careers in academic and professional environments including:

- Arizona State University
- California Health Collaborative
- Cal State University, Dominguez Hills
- Columbia University
- Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights
- Long Beach Unified School District
- Molina Healthcare Services
- Northern Arizona University
- Safer Foundation
- Upward Bound
- University of Arizona
- University of California, Davis
- University of California, Irvine
- University of California, San Diego
- University of Connecticut
- University of Southern California
- University of Texas, Pan American
- University of Wisconsin
- University of Washington



Professor Michael Montoya couples research with community action to combat health issues linked to poverty and poor diets.

## interested?

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## faculty

Belinda Campos (Ph.D., UC Berkeley)  
culture, relationships, positive emotion, health

Anita Casavantes Bradford (Ph.D., UC San Diego)  
post-revolutionary cuban migration to u.s.,  
symbolic uses of childhood in cuba and cuban  
dispора, american politics and society

Louis Desipio (Ph.D., University of Texas, Austin)  
ethnic politics, latino politics, immigration,  
naturalization, u.s. electoral politics

Cynthia Feliciano (Ph.D., UC Los Angeles)  
race/ethnicity/minority relations, migration and  
immigration, education

Glenda M. Flores (Ph.D., USC)  
latino sociology, latina professionals, work and  
occupations, education, middle-class minorities,  
qualitative methods

Michael Montoya (Ph.D., Stanford University)  
diabetes, medical anthropology, health disparities,  
chicano/latino studies

Alejandro Morales (Ph.D., Rutgers University)  
latin american and chicano literature, film studies

Ana Elizabeth Rosas (Ph.D., USC)  
chicana/o history, comparative immigration and  
ethnic history, gender studies, film and media  
studies, and oral life history

Vicki Lynn Ruiz (Ph.D., Stanford University)  
20th century u.s. history, chicana/o studies, latina  
history, oral narratives, gender studies, labor,  
california and the west