



Expanding Horizons

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Special Issue: Latin America Week

Latin American Studies at The University of Montana

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U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell and U.S. Secretary of Education Rod Paige have called for the celebration of the Fourth Annual International Education Week, November 17-21, 2003. The University of Montana attaches great significance to the principles of international education and the role that education plays in building and strengthening mutual understanding among the nations and the countries of the world.

This year International Education Week at The University of Montana will focus on Latin America. Several events will be taking place on campus including a Latin American film festival, a Latin American poetry reading, and Latin American food will be featured at lunch in the Food Zoo.

The Latin American Studies Minor, approved by the Montana State Board of Regents in August 2002, was created as a multi-disciplinary program to consolidate and develop the expertise of faculty who teach and do research on Latin American topics. By drawing on faculty in the Humanities, the Social Sciences, and the Arts, the Minor offers students with strong interests in Latin America a formal degree designation in support of their academic majors. Through the series of courses offered by the Minor, UM students will have the opportunity to prepare themselves to meet the increasingly global demands of their cultural and professional lives.

Students working toward a Minor in Latin American Studies will work closely with the LAS advisor to develop an individualized plan of study that combines their main areas of concentration (their Majors) with the appropriate Latin American Studies courses.

Besides the course requirements of the Latin American Studies Minor, students should complete three semes-

ters of Spanish. Students are also encouraged to participate in a Study Abroad Program in a Latin American country.

The LAS Program draws its faculty from several departments in the College of Arts and Sciences and sponsors events on campus in support of the curriculum. The faculty participating in the Latin American Studies Program come from the departments of Anthropology, Art, Foreign Languages and Literatures, Geography, Political Science and Social Work.

Expert to lecture on Conservation of Rainforests in Chile

Antonio Lara, Friday evening's keynote speaker for Latin America Week, will give a lecture titled "Conservation of Rainforests in Chile: Water Production, Salmon Farming and Sports Fishing."

Lara received a Ph.D. in geography from the University of Colorado-Boulder in 1991. He resides in Valdivia, Chile, where he is a Professor of Forestry at the Universidad Austral. Lara is the first Chilean scientist to receive a Bullard Fellow at the Harvard School of Forestry where he is continuing his research on biodiversity, conservation, restoration and sustainable use in fragmented forest landscapes of southern Chile.

Lara's past research includes climate fluctuation in the Americas based on the study of tree-rings. He has been published in such journals as *Science*, *Climatic Change*, *Biological Conservation*, and the *Revista Chilena de Historia Natural*.

International Education Week This Year: Latin America

Latin American Specialist to Speak at UM By Clary Loisel, Professor, Foreign Languages and Literatures

Dr. David William Foster, Regents' Professor of Spanish, Interdisciplinary Studies, and Women's Studies at Arizona State University, is one of the profession's most knowledgeable and respected scholars regarding Latin America. He will be visiting The University of Montana on Thursday and Friday, November 13 and 14 as the keynote speaker for "Latin America Week." His most recent books include "Mexico City in Contemporary Mexican Cinema" (University of Texas

Press, 2002), "Producción cultural e identidades homoeróticas: teoría y aplicaciones" (University of Costa Rica, 1999), and "Gender and Society in Contemporary Brazilian Cinema" (University of Texas Press, 1999). He has been a Fulbright Professor of Linguistics at the University of Argentina, an Inter-American Development Bank Professor of Linguistics at the Catholic University of Chile, a Fulbright Professor of English and Literary Theory at the Federal University of Paraná, Brazil, and a Fulbright Professor of Comparative Literature at the Catholic University of Uruguay. His presentation "Latin American Studies and American Education" on Thursday, November 13, at 3:30 in the Gallagher Business Building, Room 106 is open and free to the public.

Afternoon Events

Monday, November 17

Noon – 1:00 pm *Opening Ceremony*, UC Atrium

Tuesday, November 18

Noon – 1:00 pm *Brazilian Music and Drums*, Ari LeVaux, Environmental Studies, UC Atrium

Wednesday, November 19

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm Presentation: *Multiculturalizing the Curriculum: Meeting the Demands of Globalization with Hybrid Multicultural Learning Solutions*, Dr. Udo Fluck, International Programs, UC 330-331

Thursday, November 20

Noon – 1:00 pm *Latin American Dance Performance* sponsored by Multicultural Alliance, UC Atrium

2:10 pm – 3:30 pm Video: *The Fall of the Aztecs* introduced by Professor John Douglas, Anthropology, UC Theater

Friday, November 21

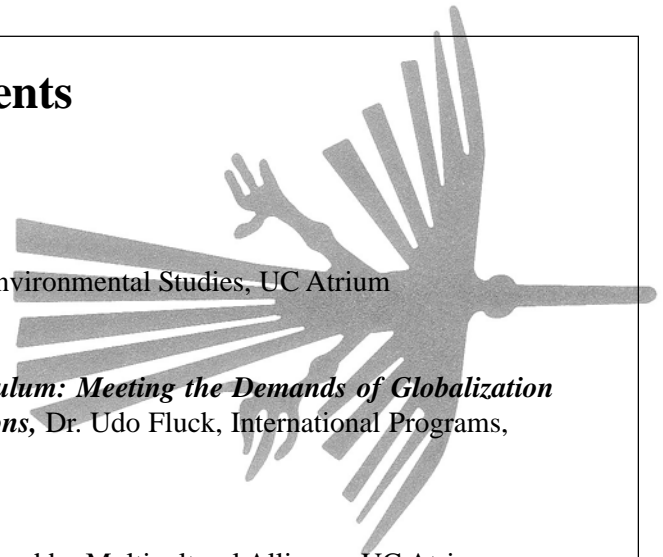
Noon – 1:00 pm *Salsa Dance Performance and Lesson*, UC Atrium

Saturday, November 22

Noon – 3:00 pm Film: *Amores Perros (Love's a Bitch)*, Mexico, 2000 introduced by Professor Clary Loisel, Foreign Languages and Literatures UC Theater

3:00 pm – 6:00 pm Film: *El Lado Oscuro del Corazon (A Dark Place in the Heart)*, Argentina, 1992 introduced by Professor Maria Bustos, Foreign Languages and Literatures, UC Theater

Throughout the week, there will be information booths in the UC by organizations promoting international education and international exchange opportunities, and the Food Zoo will be serving Latin American food.



Evening Events

Tuesday, November 18

6:10 pm – 7:30 pm Lecture: *La Victoria: Memory, History, and Community in a Santiago Población*
Professor Janet Finn, Social Work
Location: Gallagher Business Building 122

8:00 pm Poetry Reading: *Escrito en Missoula*
Professor Eduardo Chirinos, Foreign Languages and Literatures
English translations read by Professor Charles Cabell, Foreign Languages and Literatures and
Christine Wilcox
Location: Dell Brown Room

Wednesday, November 19

7:00 pm Movie: *Central do Brasil* (Central Station, Brazil, 1998)
Introduced by Professor Clary Loisel and Professor Stan Rose, Foreign Languages and
Literatures
Location: North Underground Lecture Hall

Thursday, November 20

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Forum: *The Free Market in Latin America: Prosperity or Despair?*
Moderated by Professor Maria Bustos, Foreign Languages and Literatures
Speakers: David Aronofsky, UM Legal Counsel, Joanna Shelton, World Affairs Council Fellow,
Professor Dick Erb, Economics, Professor Paul Haber, Political Science, Scott Nicholson, CAJA
Location: Gallagher Business Building 122

Friday, November 21

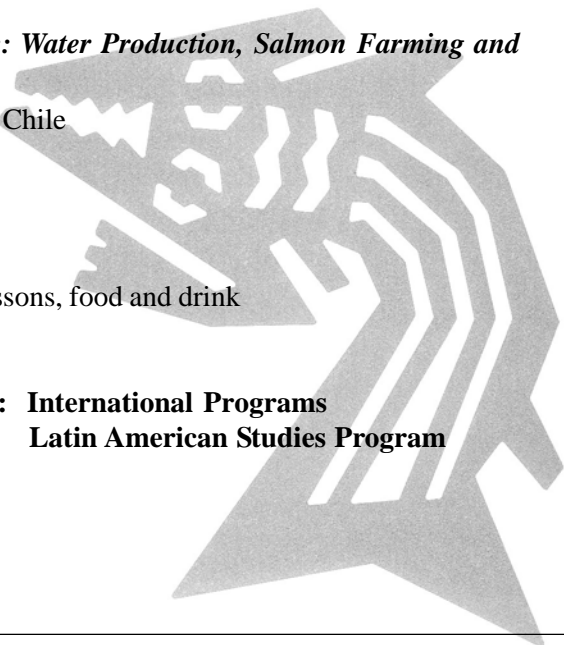
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm Lecture: *Diego, Frida and the Mexican Muralists*
Professor Rafael Chacón, Art
Location: Gallagher Business Building 122

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Lecture: *Conservation of Rainforests in Chile: Water Production, Salmon Farming and
Sports Fishing*
Professor Antonio Lara, Universidad Austral de Chile
Location: Gallagher Business Building 122

Saturday, November 22

7:00 pm – 11:00 pm *Latin American Culture Night*
Featuring Latin American music, salsa dance lessons, food and drink
Location: UC Ballroom

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Latin American Studies Program



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The University of
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International Programs
International Center (MIP005)

IP invites you to attend **The International Brown Bag Series**

November 13th: Steve Siebert and Jill Belsky,
Forestry and Conservation

*Environmental Conservation with Social Justice:
An International Challenge of the 21st Century*

December 4th: Richard Drake, History

Terrorism: New Threats and Old

February 11th: Rhea Ashmore, Education

Educational Reform in the People's Republic of China

February 19th: Udo Fluck, International Programs

*Multiculturalizing the Curriculum: Meeting the Demands of
Globalization with Hybrid Multicultural Learning Solutions*

March 4th: Michel Valentin, Foreign Languages and
Literatures

*Arabesques of incestuous desires: Orienting Women in 19th
Century French Literature and European Arts*

March 11th: Kimber Haddix, Anthropology

*International Development in Nepal in the Context of a
Maoist Revolution*

March 24th: Becky Richards, Sociology and Len Broberg,
Environmental Studies

"Growing" Canadian Studies at UM

All presentations are from 12:00 - 1:00 at the UC Boardroom
(UC 329).

We welcome items of international or intercultural interest for
the next newsletter. Please send them to International Programs,
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