



MALRC On The Move

Welcome

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We have several important announcements this month. We would like to share with you the names, first, of our new MALRC Fellows who have been awarded MALRC Developmental Grants this Fall, second, MALRC Fellows who have been awarded external grants, and, finally, the new member of our Council of Participating Deans.

It is a pleasure to announce the new MALRC Fellows for Fall 2006. As you can read below, the Principal Investigators and Co-Principal Investigators come from a wide range of colleges and departments, and their studies involve leading-edge work in the study of the Latino population. My congratulations to the Fall 2006 Fellows for their awards. The RFA (Request for Applications) for the next round of grants, the Spring 2007 MALRC Developmental Grants, will be issued in the Spring, and I invite all faculty interested in the study of Latinos to apply for a MALRC grant.

Our congratulations goes out to the MALRC Fellows who have received external grants to support their research. This is the first group of Fellows to receive external funding based in part on the financial resources and training provided them by MALRC. We sincerely hope that your success continues, and we are proud to have played a part in your obtaining funding to support your important research work.

Also, we would like to welcome Dr. Joseph Newton, Dean of the College of Science, to MALRC. Dean Newton has agreed to become a member of the MALRC Council of Participating Deans. This Council meets in both the Spring and the Fall Semesters to discuss MALRC achievements and challenges faced throughout the year. The Deans also offer MALRC much needed support, both financially and logistically. Welcome, Dean Newton!

Sincerely,

Edward Murguía, Ph.D.
MALRC Founding Director

Congratulations to the Following MALRC Fellows for Receiving External Grants!

Juan Alonzo

Received the Warren Skaaren Film Fellowship from the Harry Ransom Humanities Research Center from the University of Texas at Austin for his Grant Application entitled 'Derision and Desire: The Ambivalence of Mexican Identity in American Literature and Film'

Marisol Perez

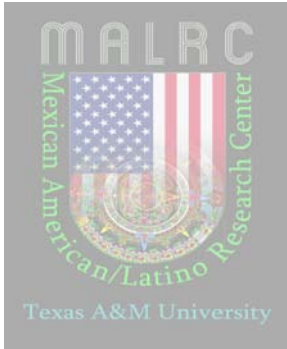
Received external funding from the Health Resources and Service Administration, Maternal and Child Health Bureau for her Grant Application Entitled 'Mujeres Sanas, Familias Sanas' (Healthy Women, Health Families).

Zulema Valdez

Received external funding for her Grant Application entitled, 'Beyond Ethnic Entrepreneurship: An Embedded Market Approach to Racial and Ethnic Self-Employment in the United States', from the Fund for the Advancement of the Discipline of the American Sociological Association.

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Planning Grant Awardees

These grant proposals received \$5,000, the title of MALRC Fellow for 3 years, and training from the VPR Office of Proposal Development to enhance their grant writing skills.

Julio Bernal & Boris Castro

Department of Entomology
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

Grant Title: Developing an Environmentally Rational Approach for Managing a Pest of Urban Landscapes, Cycad Aulacaspis Scale, in the Lower Rio Grande Valley

Lauren Cobbs & Thomas Peterson

Department of Humanities in Medicine & Department of Systems Biology and Translation Medicine
College of Medicine
Texas A&M University System Health Science Center

Grant Title: Presence and Impact on Medical Learners of Spanish Language and Hispanic Cultural Awareness Training in U.S. Medical Education

Mauricio Ferreira

Department of Health and Kinesiology
College of Education and Human Development

Grant Title: Self-Congruity versus Functional Congruity: Predictors of Participation Choice in Community-Based Sport Programs Among Latino Adolescents

Proof of Concept Grant Awardees

These grant proposals received \$10,000, the title of MALRC Fellow for 3 years, and training from the VPR Office of Proposal Development to enhance their grant writing skills.

Nadia Flores

Department of Sociology
College of Liberal Arts
AND

Douglas Massey

Office of Population Research, Princeton University

Cecilia Menjivar

School of Social and Family Dynamics, Arizona State University

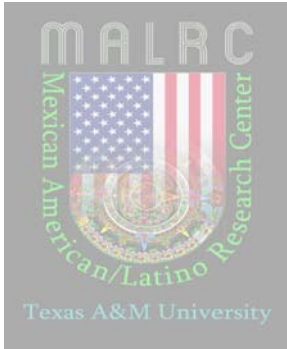
Jeannette Aguilar, Instituto Universitario de Opinión Pública

Universidad Centroamericana, San Salvador, El Salvador

Grant Title: El Salvador Migration Project

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Vicente Lechuga

Department of Educational Administration and Human Resource
Development
College of Education and Human Development

AND

Alisa Hicklin

Department of Political Science, University of Oklahoma

Grant Title: Moving Towards Diversity: How University Administrators are Working to Increase Minority Student Access and Success in American Public Universities

Blanca Quiroz & Quentin Dixon

Department of Teaching, Learning, and Culture
College of Education and Human Development

Grant Title: Supporting Home Learning of School Readiness Skills: Project EASE in Spanish for Spanish-speaking Preschoolers

Rogelio Saenz

Department of Sociology
College of Liberal Arts

Grant Title: Latinos in Louisiana: Sojourners or Settlers?

Joseph R. Sharkey & Barbara Sharf

Department of Social and Behavioral Health
School of Rural Public Health
Texas A&M University System Health Science Center

AND

Department of Communication
College of Liberal Arts

Grant Title: Piloting an Innovative and Complicated Form of Participant-Observations to Increase Understanding of Food and Activity Decision-making in *Colonia* Families

Alston Thoms

Department of Anthropology
College of Liberal Arts

Grant Title: Toward Tracking the Aftermath of the Carbohydrate Revolution, ca. 8000 BC along the Texas/ Mexico Borderlands

Congratulations, New Fall 2006 MALRC Fellows!

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