

Public Invited to Community Launch for CSUCI's Chicana/o Studies Program

Camarillo, Calif., Jan 28, 2009 - California State University Channel Islands will introduce the new Chicana/o Studies program and faculty to the community on Monday, Feb. 2 from 6-8 p.m. at Hueneme High School, 500 W. Bard Road, Oxnard.

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Chicana/o Studies asks students to examine current and past experiences of Chicanas/os and other hemispheric Latino/a Americans whose origins exist south of the United States/Mexico border. This degree places students at the center in the investigation of local issues in context with transborder questions through interdisciplinary and comparative perspectives. The core courses at the lower and upper division level provide majors with a solid training in Chicana/o Studies while providing them the opportunity to major, minor or double major with other disciplines in the sciences or social sciences. Both the major and minor call for students to work with community partners through service learning and internship projects.

The event is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served and reservations can be made by email to amber.weir@csuci.edu.

For further information about this event, please contact Marie Francois, Associate Professor of History and Chair, History and Chicana/o Studies Programs at CSU Channel Islands at 805-437-3123 or marie.francois@csuci.edu

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CSUCI Mission Statement

Placing students at the center of the educational experience, California State University Channel Islands provides undergraduate and graduate education that facilitates learning within and across disciplines through integrative approaches, emphasizes experiential and service learning, and graduates students with multicultural and international perspectives.