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An Ethnic Studies Newsletter
An Education for the 21st Century

CAMPUS

Laverne Cox -- Pride Week Keynote Speaker
The 2014 Pride Week theme is Imagine U: Beyond Marriage, Moving Forward. Orange Is the New Black’s Laverne Cox is this year’s keynote speaker! Tickets available at the Union Desk. 2 free tickets per student. Event held in the Union Ballroom.

Dr. Kathryn Stockton, Interim Associate Vice President for Diversity
Dr. Stockton replaces Dr. Octavio Villalpando who served from 2007-2014. Dr. Stockton is a distinguished professor of English. She was honored in 2013 with the Rosenblatt Prize for Excellence in teaching, research, and administrative efforts. Her scholarship is at the cutting edge of gender, sexuality, LGBT studies, and cultural theory.

Tricia Sugiyama, Interim Assistant Vice President for Student Equity & Diversity
Tricia replaces Dr. Enrique Aleman in the Center for Ethnic Student Affairs. Previously, she was CESA’s First Year Experience Program Coordinator. As part of the Diversity Scholars Program, Tricia supported students through several efforts designed to increase students’ academic success and retention rates.

University Changes Fight Song
After months of debate, a task force that included alumni, students, and fans, recommended that the University’s fight song be changed to be more inclusive of the student body and reflect a more contemporary perspective. While some referred to the changes as an act of political correctness, others pointed to the numerous changes that have already been made to the song since its inception.

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Construction News—New Business Loop Parking Terrace Being Built
The new lot replaces the Business Loop parking lot North of the V. Randall Turpin University Services Building covering the entire parking lot up to the pay lot at the West. Construction began on June 4th, 2014. The building will be complete in late April, early May 2015. It will be available to park in before commencement in 2015.
Ethnic Studies Is Moving On Up!

This past summer Ethnic Studies moved from the Garden Level (a.k.a. the basement) of the Business Classroom Building to a newly remodeled suite on the third floor (308). Here we have a reception area, a larger conference area, several open office spaces, work-space for teaching assistants, and 3 private offices. Plus, we have windows! There are plenty of seats for quiet study space and a reception area that contains information about our program. We welcome students to come and study here. Be sure to come by and check out our new digs!

Ethnic Studies, Student Equity & Diversity, and TRIO Join Forces

This summer, Ethnic Studies teamed up with The Office for Student Equity & Diversity to create and teach a 1-credit summer course for TRIO’s Jump Start program called ETHNC 1800: Contemporary Issues in Ethnic Studies. In this course, students explored the historical development of Ethnic Studies as well as research issues and current theoretical trends and research methodologies in the field. TRIO enhances the college-going culture of the Jumpstart Program students.

Ethnic Studies Webpage Gets A Facelift!

The Ethnic Studies Program officially launched a new website this summer! With the help of web developer, Mindy Johnston, and student intern, Kenny Huynh, we received a facelift. In addition to a slider that is updated almost daily, the new website includes program information, answers to questions, and more. We invite you to visit our website to keep up with us http://ethnic.utah.edu/

Ethnic Studies Joins Facebook

Ethnic Studies joined the social media revolution last summer and created a Facebook page! We invite you to go to www.facebook.com/uofuethnicstudies and like us. You will receive news and updates related to the program, campus, and community.

Ethnic Studies Faculty Publish

Edmund Fong -- American Exceptionalism & the Remains of Race: Multicultural Exorcisms (Routledge Press, 2015) takes a critical look at the rise and resurgence of contemporary forms of American exceptionalism as they have emerged out of contentious debates over cultural pluralism and multicultural diversity in the past two decades.

Karen Johnson -- African American Women Educators: A Critical Examination of Their Pedagogies, Educational Ideas, and Activism from the 19th- to the Mid-20th Century (Rowman & Littlefield, 2014) portrays how African American women educators used their social location as educators and activists to resist and fight the interlocking structures of power, oppression, and privilege that existed during this time.

### PEOPLE

#### Faculty Highlights

- **Sonya M. Alemán** received the University Neighborhood Partners Community Scholar in Residence award to support her work building the readership of *Venceremos*, the U of U's only bilingual, alternative, ethnic student publication, produced primarily by students and distributed on campus and in SLC’s neighborhoods 2 to 4 times a year.
- **Dolores Delgado Bernal** serves as a Visiting Senior Scholar for the University of California All Consortium on Research for Diversity (UC/ACCORD) at UCLA for 2014-2015.
- **Elise Boxer** received a tenure-track position in History at the U of South Dakota.
- **Ronald Coleman** received the 2014 Pioneers of Progress Award.
- **Pastor Davis** retired.
- **Donna Deyhle** received the College of Education Research and Scholarship Award for her work in advancing the field of education.
- **Karen Johnson** recognized by the American Educational Research Association in April 2014. The AERA Publications Committee and editors of *American Educational Research Journal* Section on Social and Institutional Analysis recognized her as an "Outstanding Reviewer" "for her service to the journal.
- **Wilfred Samuels** received the 2014 Humanities Distinguished Faculty Service Award.

#### 2014 Student Advisory Committee Members

- Abigail Romero (Chair)
- Camila Cardozo (Co-Chair)
- Juan Salazar
- Deepika Shah
- Ashma Shrestha
- Ivan Ottaviano

#### Ethnic Studies Spring 2015 Courses

Ethnic Studies majors who are seniors, be sure to register for ETHNC 5910: Capstone Course. It is only taught spring semester, and you'll need it to fulfill all of your major requirements for graduation!

Watch for our new course, ETHNC 2540: American Muslim Experience!

**Alumni Quotes**

- **William Theel**
  
  "This degree taught me to see the world through the eyes of those different than myself. I had a rather sheltered point of view, and now I understand where underserved populations are coming from. This understanding is important if you wish to work with underserved populations."

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### Take Advantage of Tutoring Services Available on Campus!!

- University Writing Center [http://writingcenter.utah.edu/](http://writingcenter.utah.edu/)
- Math Department [http://www.math.utah.edu/ugrad/tutoring.html](http://www.math.utah.edu/ugrad/tutoring.html)
- David Eccles School of Business [https://undergrad.business.utah.edu/page/tutoring-schedule](https://undergrad.business.utah.edu/page/tutoring-schedule)
- ASUU Tutoring Center [http://tutoringcenter.utah.edu/](http://tutoringcenter.utah.edu/)
- Visit CESA in Union 235 for their tutoring schedule released each semester.

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We would like this newsletter to keep you updated on program news and events. If you are interested in publishing an article, submitting pictures, or including an announcement, please feel free to contact us at elizabeth.archuleta@utah.edu.
### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### PIZZA & POLITICS: Dog Whistle Politics: How Coded Racial Appeals Have Reinvented Racism and Wrecked the Middle Class

Wednesday, September 24, 2014
12:00pm – 1:00pm
Hinckley Caucus Room

Ian Haney López, John H. Boalt Professor of Law, University of California, Berkeley; Senior Fellow, Demos

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#### ETHNIC STUDIES PRESENTS OPEN HOUSE & TAILGATE

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<td>Matt Theel (2014) Outreach Coordinator at Independence University</td>
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- RAFFLE: gifts and two tickets to homecoming game
- BOOK GIVEAWAY

#### Homecoming Tailgate Party

Moki’s Hawaiian Grill serving Kalua Pork, Sticky Chicken Hawaiian Salad, rice and rolls
Ethnic Studies providing Drinks & Dessert