

**INTER-UNIVERSITY PROGRAM FOR LATINO RESEARCH  
SIXTH BIENNIAL SIGLO XXI CONFERENCE:  
MAPPING OF LATINO RESEARCH**

**UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO  
MAY 17-19, 2017  
CALL FOR PAPERS**

The Inter-University Program for Latino Research in co-sponsorship with The University of Texas at San Antonio's Mexico Center will host in San Antonio, Texas on May 17-19, 2017 the sixth biennial Siglo XXI Conference on the Mapping of Latino Research. One in every eight Americans is Latino. It is estimated that "Latinos could account for one of every five residents by 2035, one of every four by 2055, and one of every three by 2100" (Saenz 2014). Thus, how we think and consequently act upon issues facing Latinos will affect the foundation of US society and its place in the hemisphere. Latinos are a diverse group with social and regional variations in class, education, race, migration experience, legal status, political participation, and religion to name a few. Additionally, each national group has its unique and complex set of relations to the US that has in turn influenced the subsequent development of its US-based communities. Knowledge is the basis of understanding as well as of policy. Comprehensive research about Latinos lays the groundwork for creating opportunities that provide alternatives to inequalities. Research can provide new ways of thinking about Latino communities and how they can grow and prosper. While there has been a steady increase in the production of research about Latinos, there are also areas that need to be considered as well as those that need to be expanded.

The proceedings from the conference will be included in a report on the state of Latino research which will focus on what we know, what we need to know on how to achieve new knowledge. This publication will be geared towards private and public funders of research. We encourage cross-disciplinary discussions as well as panels that include practitioners.

Focus areas in alphabetical order include:

Art	Language (Dual Language Learners, policy, use)
Children, Youth and Families	Literature & Performance Arts
Civic and Political Engagement	Media (Access to Technology, Images)
Culture	Military
Demographics	Political Economy
Health	Race/Ethnicity
Higher Education	Religion and Theology
History	Urbanization
Home Country Relations	Work/Labor Market Participation
Identities	
Immigration	

We encourage papers and panels that address the state of knowledge about Latinos in these areas and offer proposals of research projects and methods that can lead to more comprehensive understanding of US Latinos today.

The proceedings will be included in a publication entitled *Mapping Latino Research: The State of Knowledge*. The Siglo XXI Conference will coincide with the internationally acclaimed Tejano Conjunto Festival hosted by the Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center.

**How to Submit Conference Papers and Panel Proposals**

For individual papers, please submit a two-page abstract and a 1–2 page curriculum vita (CV) for review by the IUPLR Program Committee. We will also accept proposals for panels. These should include abstracts for each presentation and 1-2 page CV for each participant.

Abstracts and CV should be sent by January 30, 2017 to: [IUPLR-Chicago@uic.edu](mailto:IUPLR-Chicago@uic.edu)

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