UPCOMING EVENTS FOR WINTER QUARTER 2016

**Fellows Seminar with Jaime Arredondo | Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at 3 pm**
CILAS Cramb Library, Gildred Building, UC San Diego

*Decriminalization and Public Health on the Ground: Measuring Policing and Attitudes toward the Narcomenudeo Reform*

**Discussant:** Mario Morales, San Diego State University

Project ESCUDO analyzes how drug policy reform and policing practices can affect HIV risk behavior among PWID (people who inject drugs), as well as the occupational safety of police officers in Tijuana, Mexico. This innovative PEP (police education program) seeks to modify the direct and indirect effects of law enforcement on HIV risks, by promoting better policing practices that discourage syringe confiscation and drug user victimization. Additionally, the development of adequate police education programs can help build tools to increase occupational safety, and a public health perspective that incorporates HIV prevention and harm reduction strategies.

**Fellows Seminar with Romeo Guzman | Wednesday, January 20, 2016 at 3:30 pm**
CILAS Cramb Library, Gildred Building, UC San Diego

*Transnational Citizens: Mexican Migrant Families and Youth, 1920-1940s*

**Discussant:** Luis Alvarez, Associate Professor of History, UC San Diego

After the Mexican Revolution and World War I, Mexicans migrated to the United States in unprecedented numbers. They formed families and produced the largest cohort of migrant children of the first half of the twentieth century, often referred to by Chicano/a historians as the “Mexican American Generation.” In this talk, Guzman examines efforts by migrant families to secure scholarships for U.S.-born Mexicans to study at Mexican universities.

**Funding Opportunities Workshop with UCMEXUS | Wednesday, January 27, 2016 at 12:30 pm**
Deutz Conference Room, Institute of the Americas, UC San Diego

Dr. Andrea Kaus, Director of Research, and Dr. Wendy DeBoer, Director of Academic Programs from the University of California Institute for Mexico and the United States (UCMEXUS) will present a funding opportunities workshop. They will discuss fellowships and grants available to UC San Diego graduate students, postdocs including the doctoral, dissertation and postdoctoral fellowships as well as small grants and collaborative grants. Lunch will be provided.

**Fellows Seminar with Salvador Espinosa | Wednesday, January 27, 2016 at 3:30 pm**
Deutz Conference Room, Institute of the Americas, UC San Diego

*A Theoretical Model for the Study of Rule Harmonization in International Bond Markets*

**Discussant:** Bruce Lehmann, Professor, GPS, UC San Diego

Bordering nations interested in cross-border infrastructure development should think about regulatory harmonization in their securities markets. Successful harmonization could contribute to deal with factors affecting investor's risk perceptions and consequently, the pricing of traded securities. This article uses a structural equation modeling approach to explain how securities rules can shape the risk perceptions of securities markets analysts (providers of information) and ultimately, individual investors' decisions (users of...
information). This theory building effort is a necessary step to test the claim that an effective rule harmonization is attained when a rule setting induce similar responses among investors, even if such investors are located in different jurisdictions or are subject to diverging regulatory and institutional settings.

**Fellows Seminar with Laura Gutierrez | Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at 3:30 pm**  
Deutz Conference Room, Institute of the Americas, UC San Diego

*The Bracero Plague: Guest Workers, Deportation and Public Health in Northern Mexico*

The talk will examine the health-related consequences that return migration during the Bracero Program had on Mexican migrants and on communities. Throughout the twenty-two years of the program, millions of migrant workers returned to Mexico after deportation, scheduled return, or due to injury and illness. Upon arrival in their home country, many deportees faced discrimination and suspicion from their fellow citizens who worried that they might spread diseases. In response, government officials launched public hygiene programs and quarantines that isolated and stigmatized these migrants as newspapers proclaimed that they would spread diseases such as polio and tuberculosis. I analyze archival documents from the U.S. and Mexico as well as oral histories to argue that the mass return of migrants during a state-sanctioned guestworker program illustrates how the process of international labor migration presents a number of problems for a sending country, as well as for migrants, their families, and their communities.

**Fellows Seminar with Magnus Hansen | Wednesday, February 17, 2016 at 3:30 pm**  
Deutz Conference Room, Institute of the Americas, UC San Diego

*Nahuatl in our genes: Race, Indigeneity and Language in Greater Aztlan*

Pharao Hansen will talk about how Mexican-American communities have used the Nahuatl language as a way to connect to extend ideologies of Mexican nationalism abroad, to connect to the territory of what is now the US-Southwest, and to confront racism and nativism from Anglo-American society.

**Fellows Seminar with Alejandro Tortolero | Wednesday, February 24, 2016 at 3:30 pm**  
Deutz Conference Room, Institute of the Americas, UC San Diego

*Landscape and environment in Mexican history: water and forest in the basin of Mexico 1780-1920*  
**Discussant:** Matthew Vitz, Assistant Professor of History, UC San Diego

Dr. Tortolero will discuss the influence of the secular conflict between Spanish and indigenous, on the southern lakes (of the Valley of Mexico), where he emphasizes the modernizing logic of development of the Spanish entrepreneurs in Chalco, which encompassed a marked transformation of the environment such as the desiccation of the lake, the opposition of indigenous communities (pueblos), which witnessed with due resentment the entrepreneurial monopolization of the waters for agricultural and industrial purposes, as well as to hinder the pueblos from independent farming.

**Fellows Seminar with Rosalba Rodriguez Ceron | Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at 3:30 pm**  
Deutz Conference Room, Institute of the Americas, UC San Diego

*Transborder Dynamics of Technological Transfer in the Medical Device Industry in Baja California*

Baja California’s medical device industry is one of the most dynamic sectors at national level due to its export and job capacity. Its development is, in part, the result of certain type and degree of technology transfer inside the binational region. But, what mechanisms and level of technology transfer have prevailed in this productive relationship?