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Research Seminar Series

# Adam Sawyer and Bryant Jensen

**“Education in Mexico: An Overview of the System,  
its Triumphs, and Remaining Challenges”**

**Wednesday, May 7**

**3:30pm**

**Institute of the Americas Complex  
Deutz Conference Room**



**Bryant Jensen**, is a Ph.D. student in educational psychology at the Mary Lou Fulton College of Education at Arizona State University. He has been a research associate with the National Task Force on Early Childhood Education for Hispanics, where he wrote synthesis papers on the cognitive and linguistic development of Hispanic children and presented findings with researchers, practitioners, and policymakers nationally. Bryant is interested in quantitative analysis of large sample data, mixed methods research designs, and in the evaluation of educational policy and practice for immigrant students in the United States, and for traditionally marginalized student populations—including rural and indigenous groups—throughout the Americas. Bryant is currently on a Fulbright Fellowship in Mexico where he is collaborating with the *Instituto Nacional para la Evaluación de la Educación* on his dissertation.

**Adam Sawyer** is a Guest Scholar at UCSD's Center for Comparative Immigration Studies (CCIS). A doctoral candidate in International Education at Harvard University's Graduate School of Education, Adam's work focuses on policy issues within the Mexican education system and the schooling of Mexican immigrant and other Latino/a students in the United States. Previous to his graduate studies, Adam worked as a Spanish bilingual elementary school teacher in East Palo Alto, San Francisco, and Los Angeles, California, and as an Academic Consultant to the Mexican Ministry of Education. His current project, conducted under the auspices of CCIS' Mexican Migration Field Research and Training Project (MMFRP), explores the educational outcomes of a binational sample of students from a prominent migrant sending community in Oaxaca, Mexico and its U.S. satellite in San Diego County.



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