

Save the Date Letter

Fifth Annual LatCrit Conference

The Village at Breckenridge Resort

May 4-7, 2000

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LatCrit V

Denver, Colorado

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TO: The LatCrit Community and Friends

FR: The LatCrit V Planning Committee

RE: LatCrit V - Save The Date and Other Early Information

Saludos from the Planning Committee for LatCrit V, the Fifth Annual LatCrit Conference! We hope your summer was enjoyable and productive. As you can see from the advance information presented below, we already have begun our planning for the LatCrit V Conference, scheduled for May 4-7, 2000. The Planning Committee intends to follow up on last year's lively exchanges, to break new substantive ground in the program, and to create an inviting conference atmosphere for both formal and informal interaction. As in the past, the Planning Committee will seek to promote the elements that have made LatCrit compelling for so many of us - the working commitments to diversity, continuity, criticism, praxis, balance, inclusion, coalition, and community - and to make LatCrit the perfect way to end the academic year! We urge you to save this date, and to make sure you join us for the fifth anniversary of our initial gathering.

In addition to urging that you "save the date" of May 4-7, 2000, we are writing to share some basic advance information with you and to remind you that NOW is the time for

you to begin thinking about possible papers, proposals and panels for the conference program. We will send you the Call for Papers, Panels and Proposals in about another month, and ask that you plan in advance to return it in about another six weeks after that - before the end of November - to allow the Planning Committee time to sort through all the responses during the holiday break. Please take a moment now to review the advance information below, jot down the date in your calendar, and begin to work out your ideas for this year's program!

LOCATION and FACILITIES: The LatCrit V Conference will convene at The Village at Breckenridge, a self-contained and very accessible resort in the town of Breckenridge, set against the Rocky Mountains near Denver, Colorado. The Village at Breckenridge is a very nice resort, comprised of three large buildings of upscale hotel and condo rooms that will easily accommodate our group. The Village is located a five minute walk from the town of Breckenridge, at which stores and restaurants are to be found. There is a pharmacy and a grocery store one block down from the hotel. The lake that is part of the village complex empties into a beautiful roaring river that can be followed by sidewalk and then by trail. The conference facilities at The Village are excellent - there's a large enough room for our general session, there's a separate room for meals that overlooks the lake and is also close to the conference rooms - and plenty of breakout rooms all in close proximity - even a business center in the middle. The conference rooms are next to a gym with an indoor/outdoor heated pool and two separate jacuzzi hot tubs. The three buildings form a triangle and in the middle is a gazebo with a large firepit that people gather around at night. The facilities, services and amenities are wonderful and, as noted below, extraordinarily affordable.

The nearest airport is Denver International, a popular hub for several major airlines. Direct shuttles run regularly from the airport to Breckenridge along Interstate 70 - a fast, scenic, and easy route. We will send you more detailed information about location, facilities and travel early in the spring, but you can check out the Breckenridge web page now or at your convenience by visiting www.breckresort.com.

DATES and TIMES: Once again timed to coincide with Cinco de Mayo, the dates for LatCrit V are May 4 - 7, 2000. As usual, the conference will begin mid-afternoon on a Thursday and conclude at Saturday night's banquet, with the final planning session following breakfast on Sunday. The Planning Committee, as always, seeks to kick off the conference with a special event, so please make your advance travel plans to arrive at the facility on Thursday, May 4th.

EXPENSES: Although the conference will take place in a beautiful resort location, May falls in the slow season of the Colorado Rocky Mountains. As a result, the Planning Committee is currently negotiating great rates for superior facilities, meals and amenities. And because Denver is a major hub, we are also, for the first time in a LatCrit conference, negotiating group airline discounts through a designated travel agency. In addition to low lodging and travel costs, we expect the conference registration fee to be

quite reasonable and that, as in past years, some scholarship assistance for students and others who need it will be available.

LATCRIT IV - THANKS and A MEMENTO: One last word of thanks to all of you for the success of the LatCrit IV Conference, and also to the sponsors and the members of the LatCrit IV Planning Committee, who worked so hard to bring us together at Tahoe last May. Based on the LatCrit IV conference evaluation forms, and on the informal feedback we have received from you thus far, last year's conference was a great success. By all accounts, it continued to build upon our collective goals of critical discourse, substantive knowledge, antiessentialist community and antisubordination coalition. We have enclosed, as a small memento of our Tahoe gathering, a full-color reduction of the poster commissioned for last year's conference, which features artwork by LatCrit scholar and painter Celina Romany. As we look to next year, it's time to recall that LatCrit conferences cannot possibly succeed without YOUR active and repeat involvement. In thanking you for helping to make LatCrit IV a success, we urge and call upon you to help this year's Planning Committee do the same - and better - at LatCrit V!

Finally, please remember that the proceedings of every LatCrit conference are subsequently published. Watch for the LatCrit IV symposium in a forthcoming issue of the UC-Davis Law Review. Thanks for being a vital part of LatCrit and, remember: save May 4-7 in your calendar, look for the upcoming Call for Papers, Panels and Proposals, and return your timely response to us in mid-November as explained in the Call.

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CALL FOR PAPERS, PANELS and PROPOSALS

RESPONSE DUE DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 1999

The theme of this year's LatCrit V Conference in Denver, Colorado, May 4-7, 2000, will be "**LatCrit Theory and Praxis in a World of Economic Inequality.**" Past LatCrit conferences have explored ethnic, gender, religious, and other differences within our community, but class differences, while always present, have never been the explicit focus. Especially in a capitalist, consumerist culture like ours, class is clearly an axis of difference that has a huge impact on people's material lives, and on how the law sees and affects them. It seems particularly appropriate, given our privileged socioeconomic position as academics, for us to focus specifically on how legal concepts and practices contribute to the unequal distribution of resources among our citizens. Focusing on class also fits well with our efforts to engage in interdisciplinary dialogue, to broaden our theoretical understandings, and to strengthen LatCrit's ties to students and communities of color. Important questions exist as to how class affects identity, what can be done about class-based exclusion within communities of color, and how to approach issues of class from a theoretical perspective. While some believe that class can simply be treated as another aspect of identity and analyzed under an intersectionality rubric, others think that the fact that class status is enforced through capitalist economic structures necessitates a distinct approach to class questions. Exploring such issues positions the LatCrit community to participate in current, and pressing, debates about where identity analysis should go from here and what role class analysis should play in progressive thinking.

Past LatCrit conferences have sought to feature and balance four basic perspectives in organizing the substantive program. These four perspectives are listed as themes below. They have, thus far, served as useful lenses, enabling

LatCrit scholarship to develop an impressive body of work that is increasingly linking issues of identity to the substantive analysis of law, policy and process. This effort to link identity issues to substantive analyses has been particularly fruitful in revealing the way race and ethnicity are implicated precisely in those areas of law and policy that are ordinarily thought **not** to be about race and

ethnicity: for example, in the operations and assumptions of international law and legal process, foreign affairs, liberal democracy, religion and sexuality, to name just a few areas of recent LatCrit attention.

To build on these accomplishments, everyone is encouraged to develop their proposals with a view to (1) expanding our understanding of the impact of race and ethnicity in substantive areas of law and policy ordinarily thought to be about "something other than race" (e.g. issues of sovereignty, labor rights, globalization, intellectual property, antitrust law); and (2) deepening our analysis of the various ways in which identity issues intersect, conflate and conflict in our self-understandings and coalitional efforts.

The following four themes are offered, therefore, as possible points of reference for thinking in new ways about familiar issues (like affirmative action and bilingual education), as well as for encouraging critical forays into new substantive areas (like communications or antitrust laws):

1) Papers or panels that **focus on Latinas/os** as a distinct but multiply diverse and transnational social group, and the group's relationship to law or current legal regimes/practices. The idea is to "center" Latinas/os qua Latinas/os in legal discourse, but to do so in a way that recognizes and accounts for the many axes of difference that help to define Latina/o heterogeneity, both domestically and internationally.

2) Papers or panels that bring a **regional focus** to the conference, corresponding to the region or locale of that year's conference. In this case, in varying degrees of generality, these papers or panels would help focus the conference or topics historically or currently associated with Latinas/os in Colorado or the West. The idea is to rotate centers within LatCrit discourse, in part by using the annual geographic rotation of the conference to promote awareness of different conditions at different sites. This effort also helps to ensure a built-in means of substantive variety in conference programming from year to year.

3) Papers or panels that explore or elucidate **cross-group histories or experiences** with law and power, such as those based on class, gender, race, sexuality and religion. The idea is to ensure that each conference program, in addition to incorporating intra-Latina/o diversities also contextualizes Latina/o issues in inter-group frameworks.

4) The fourth and final guidepost from the past relates to the preceding one: papers and panels that connect or contrast LatCrit theory to ***other genres of scholarship***, and in particular the various strands of outsider jurisprudence (critical race theory, feminist legal theory, queer legal theory) that critique class, gender, race, sexuality and other categories of social-legal identities and relations.

Everyone is encouraged to use these four guideposts, as well as the following considerations, to help draft a proposal, and then to complete the attached Program Proposal form and fax it back ASAP, and in any event no later than **November 19, 1999**.

Other Program Considerations

In the past, the search for balance within and between each of these areas has involved a few additional considerations: linking in explicit ways next year's programming to events or themes from prior years to engender a sense of progression and continuity; combining in panels newcomers and veterans, as well as Latinas/os and non-Latinas/os; featuring papers that reflect interdisciplinary perspectives; including as much as possible in all panels an appreciation for praxis; and gearing the programming as a whole to advance anticolonial goals through theory, coalition and community.

Timely Response Critical

Keeping all these factors in mind and juggling them effectively in a three-day conference is exceedingly difficult, so conference planners depend on your ideas and timely feedback. Your timely response to this Call for Papers, Panels and Proposals therefore is critical. Please take a moment to complete and then FAX back by **November 19th**, the attached Program Suggestions and Feedback form. Thanks for your timeliness!

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PROGRAM PROPOSAL FORM

DUE DATE: Friday, November 19, 1999

Please complete this form and fax it back to Nancy Ehrenreich at 303-871-6711 ASAP, and no later than November 19, 1999. Please use additional sheets if necessary. Please be timely! Many thanks!

Name: _____

School: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

____ Yes, I plan to attend LatCrit V (May 4-7, 2000) and want to participate as:

____ Panelist/Presenter

____ Commentator Following Panel Presentations

____ Panel Moderator or Roundtable Facilitator

____ Present Work-in-Progress for Discussion/Feedback

PAPER IDEAS:

If you marked "panelist" above, please describe briefly the title/topic of your paper:

PANEL IDEAS AND OTHER PROPOSALS:

Whether or not you plan to attend, please use the remainder of this space (or additional sheets) to share suggestions regarding panels for the program and potential speakers, or any other kind of proposal or suggestion. Please feel free to propose a panel that you organize directly. For speakers, please provide sufficient information to enable direct contact.

February 25, 2000

TO: LatCrit Scholars, Friends, Communities

FR: LatCrit V Planning Committee

RE: TIME SENSITIVE - REGISTRATION FOR LATCRIT V!

Saludos, amigas y amigos!

We are writing to invite you (and other interested members of your faculty) to attend the **Fifth Annual LatCrit Conference**, which will take place in Breckenridge, Colorado (near Denver) at the Village at Breckenridge Resort on **May 4-7, 2000**, to coincide with the Cinco de Mayo weekend. As you may recall from prior mailings, LatCrit theory was initiated as a distinct discourse within critical legal theory at a Colloquium of Latina/o law professors during the 1995 Annual Meeting of the Hispanic National Bar Association. That Colloquium produced the momentum for the planning of regular gatherings to foster a legal discourse that centers Latinas/os but also relates Latina/o experiences to those of other groups. Since then, LatCrit colloquia and conferences have produced an impressive and expanding series of published law review symposia. We are pleased to aid the continuing development of this newest intervention in critical legal scholarship, and hope you will find this cover letter and enclosed registration materials helpful. On behalf of the program participants, this year's sponsoring schools, and our law review co-sponsors, we invite you to LatCrit V and look forward to seeing you at Breckenridge to continue together this important work.

As you will see below, the program is better than ever, and the site is positively beautiful - conducive to fun and work. Once again, we have planned for this event to be the perfect way to close your academic year in a stimulating and restorative setting. After reviewing these materials, please send us back your completed LatCrit V Registration Form ASAP, and **no later than March 31st**; please, also make your separate hotel and travel arrangements well in advance to join us for **Thursday's welcome reception and program kick-off at 2:30 PM on May 4, 2000**. See you there!

PLANNING AHEAD: KEY POINTERS AND THURSDAY'S KICK-OFF

Time, Place, and Travel: LatCrit V convenes at **2:30 PM on Thursday, May 4th**, and concludes at **noon on Sunday, May 7th**, with the Preliminary Planning Session for the following year's conference. Please plan your arrival and departure well in advance to join us on Thursday for the welcome reception and program kick-off as well on Sunday morning for the planning session, each of which is described more fully below.

The **Village at Breckenridge** is located in the charming resort town of Breckenridge, Colorado, in the heart of Rocky Mountain ski country. The conference site, a self-contained, beautiful, and cozy facility, is also very well-equipped - with a gym, indoor/outdoor heated pool and two jacuzzi hot tubs. The lake that is part of the village

complex, and that the conference dining room overlooks, empties into a roaring river that can be followed by sidewalk and then by trail. The surrounding town of Breckenridge offers a variety of shops, bars, and restaurants. The Village is **ADA accessible**, and some ADA adapted rooms have been blocked for LatCrit.

Using the Denver airport, travel to Breckenridge is easy and convenient. This year, we have made special arrangements with **Vail Travel** for added convenience and economy; use the toll-free number provided below to receive **discounted airfares on United Airlines** that include surface connections to and from the Denver airport. As a prime destination facility, our meeting place is easily accessible: the shuttle connections are very easy and the route along Interstate Highway 70 is spectacularly scenic, but advance planning through Vail Resorts (or your own travel agent) will help to ensure that your travel is smooth from beginning to end. And, please note that you need to **register for the conference and for the hotel separately**; if you misplace any of the conference forms enclosed here, please download new copies directly from our temporary website at <http://nersp.nerdc.ufl.edu/~malavet> for your timely use.

Registration Basics: We have reserved a self-contained facility that is beautiful and cozy, as well as very attractively priced: **\$62 to \$68 per night** (flat rate, single or double occupancy!). We have also negotiated a limited number of deeply discounted student rates. Having booked most of the facility for LatCrit V, we are looking forward to a relaxed and relatively "private" gathering. However, because lodging capacity is limited, the facility may become fully booked prior to the final registration deadline of March 31, 2000. We therefore encourage you to make your hotel reservations directly with the Village at Breckenridge Resort at the same time as you return to us your completed LatCrit V Registration Form and check - as expeditiously as possible. Remember, conference and hotel registration are separate (but simple and easy - see details below). Also, please note that a **Child Care Survey Form is included in this packet**; each parent/interested party must timely complete and return this form to make use of this service.

The Program: This packet additionally includes a Program Schedule and Substantive Program Outline, which in tandem explain the thematic and programmatic organization of the conference. As you will see from the Program Schedule, LatCrit V encompasses a wide range of program formats designed to maximize both intellectual and social interaction. The Substantive Program Outline explains the intellectual and political vision of the conference in light of the general conference theme, which for this year is **Class in LatCrit: Theory and Praxis in a World of Economic Inequality**. Please look over these two documents in particular. We hope they will make the conference a better experience for you.

Thursday's Kick-Off: As you will notice in the Schedule and the Outline, we start off on Thursday at 2:30 PM with a hosted welcome reception so that you can relax with friends and refresh yourself before the formal program commences. The program then begins with a roundtable discussion moderated by **Lisa Iglesias** on "Piercing the Veils: LatCrit Praxis in Traditional Subjects," which brings together for interactive discussion a diverse

group of educators and academics from various disciplines and perspectives. The roundtable is followed by a Plenary Panel on "Comparative Racializations: Constructing InterGroup AntiRacist Frameworks" moderated by **Sumi Cho** that features **Gerald Torres, Neil Gotanda, and Angela Harris**. These events are followed by a dinner at which **Leslie Espinoza** will make conference opening remarks followed by a keynote speech on the sexual harassment of female farm workers, introduced by **Rachel Moran** and featuring United Farm Workers Co-founder **Dolores Huerta**. Following dinner, we inaugurate a new kind of LatCrit program event - the multimedia forum - by presenting a montage-like narrative on migrant lives, which concludes our opening day. Check out the details in the Program Schedule and Substantive Program Outline and plan ahead to be there: you won't want to miss Thursday's exciting events!

Sunday Morning: Please don't forget the Preliminary Planning Session from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM on Sunday, which concludes the conference and to which everyone is invited. At this session, we reflect on this year's experience and begin planning for the following year's conference. Most importantly, we constitute at this session the planning committee for the following year's conference. This year's session also will include **discussion of mid-to-long-term planning** (see below on future plans). We hope you will join us on Sunday morning for this event and make your departure travel plans accordingly.

THEME AND PROGRAM: DIVERSITY, CONTINUITY, PROGRESSION

Overview: This year's program theme, "**Class in LatCrit: Theory and Praxis in a World of Economic Inequality,**" is designed both to continue past focuses and to begin new explorations of social and legal issues relevant to "Latinas/os" in intergroup and transnational contexts. As in the past, the program pursues its substantive agenda by including presenters with a varied mix of interdisciplinary and inter/intragroup identities in several types of formats. This year, to again accommodate the many terrific program ideas you sent us in response to the Call for Participation, we will have two concurrent time slots that feature workshops and panels. And we again worked into the program two "Mid-Afternoon Breaks" (on Friday and Saturday, respectively) designed to encourage everyone to enjoy the facility's beautiful surroundings through informal recreational activities like hiking, shopping, or strolling down the river or around the lake. As usual, the food and ambiance will be fabulous.

Works in Progress: Similarly, we again will feature works-in-progress as an integral aspect of the LatCrit conference; as in the past, we will arrange a few advance readers for each paper as well as have copies of the manuscripts on site so that you may self-select the topic/group of your choice. Because support of scholarship is fundamental to the LatCrit conferences, we hope that you and everyone will pick up a manuscript, review it, and attend one of the concurrent works-in-progress feedback groups. If you are interested in serving as an advance reader, please complete the enclosed **work-in-progress advance reader form**.

Introducing A "New" Format: To further enrich the overall mix in the program's formats and activities, we have introduced this year a new kind of event: the **Post-Dinner**

MultiMedia Forum. These events will feature multimedia presentations carefully themed around the substance of the conference - and, in particular, themed around the events of that day. Please look at our three selections for this year in the enclosed Program Schedule. Through these new events, we hope to promote facilitated discussion of substantive questions in a relatively informal setting, and as a way of capping each day. To help set the stage for these interactive discussions, we will serve refreshments, spirits and munchies during these events.

A PREVIEW OF THE FUTURE: THE SUNDAY PLANNING SESSION

Last year, we began planning the annual conferences in 2-3-year cycles and incorporated the LatCrit organization. Both of these projects are intended to ensure institutional continuity and to facilitate grant/fundraising efforts for LatCrit conferences and other projects. As a result, we expect to have secured conference sponsorships through LatCrit X by the time we convene in Breckenridge this May. During the past year, we also have continued construction of our (temporary) website, which features information about past as well as present and future LatCrit programs and projects. We encourage you to visit our **website** - we have posted the current registration materials to it, which you can download if you need additional copies of these materials. The address is: <http://nersp.nerdc.ufl.edu/~malavet>. During the past year, we also have begun a series of annual **summer colloquia** on Spain, the Americas and Latinas/os: International and Comparative Law in Triangular Perspective, which take place every summer in Spain (please look for the separate mailings on this event). In addition, we are considering various student-related initiatives, including, perhaps, the initiation of a **writing competition** open to law students and graduate students. In sum, the future holds many possibilities; these and other future-oriented developments will be discussed during Sunday morning's Preliminary Planning Session. As always, this Preliminary Planning Session is open to all registrants; if you are interested in working with us on these or other projects, please plan your departure accordingly and join us (at 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM) on Sunday for this important forward-looking conversation.

SYMPOSIUM AND PUBLICATION: AN INVITATION TO PARTICIPATION

As in the past, the proceedings of LatCrit V will be published as a symposium by the conference co-sponsors, which this year will produce a joint symposium of the University of Denver Law Review and the Harvard Latino Law Review. We invite all registrants to consider writing a short essay inspired by the conference for this symposium, whether or not you are in the formal program. Shortly before the conference, all registrants will receive complete details on the symposium and the publication process in the final registration packet. As always, essays will be **due by August 30th** - plan your summer time in advance so that you can participate in the symposium. Widespread participation in the symposium helps to continue and develop the LatCrit tradition of publishing conference proceedings as a way of memorializing our conversations, our ideals, our progress and our limits, and also as a way of enabling scholars who cannot join us this year to access the basic substance of our gathering and exchanges subsequently. We hope you will accept this invitation to participate in the LatCrit V symposium.

REGISTRATION DETAILS: HOTEL AND CONFERENCE

General Notes: Please note that you need to **register for the CONFERENCE and for the HOTEL separately**, and that for both timeliness is important. Also, please note that we have arranged for Vail Travel to offer to conference participants discounted airfares on United Airlines. The discounted rates also include shuttle transportation to and from the Village at Breckenridge Resort (if purchased separately, the shuttle cost is \$90 round trip). The airfares offered by Vail Travel are likely to be better than those you can arrange through your own travel agent, so make sure to check before you book your travel. For more details, consult the enclosed **Conference, Hotel & Travel Information Sheet**.

To Register for the Conference: Simply complete and return the enclosed LatCrit V Registration Form ASAP and no later than the **final deadline of March 31, 2000**. You may fax the form back to us to advise us of your registration as expeditiously as possible, but you also need to mail us your **conference registration and meals check to: LatCrit c/o Roberto Corrada, University of Denver College of Law, 1900 Olive St., Denver CO 80220; FAX: 303-871-6711**. Checks should be made payable to "LatCrit." The conference **registration fee is \$295**, and it covers everything during the three days of the conference (except lodging and personal expenses): this fee covers all meals, breaks and snacks, all post-dinner spirits, refreshments and munchies, all conference events and materials, all gratuities and all taxes. Family members, partners, companions, children and other non-registrants are welcome at the conference and can also take advantage of the discounted lodging and meal rates that we have negotiated with the Village at Breckenridge Resort. If you additionally will need child care, please refer to the enclosed Child Care Survey Form. However, please note that **nonregistrants** who plan to attend the meal events must submit payment to LatCrit of **\$195** per nonregistrant to cover the basic cost of the meals and related expenses. Please refer to the enclosed Summary Instructions that accompany the LatCrit V Registration Form. If you misplace any of the enclosed materials, including the Registration Form, please visit the (temporary) LatCrit website at <http://nersp.nerdc.ufl.edu/~malavet> and download copies for your convenient use.

To Register with the Hotel: Simply complete the enclosed **Hotel Reservation Form** or contact the Village at Breckenridge Resort directly, at **1-800-800-7829 (1-800-800-"Stay")**. As you will note from the enclosed materials, the lodging expenses are extraordinarily affordable: \$62-68 per room (flat rate, single or double occupancy - we were able to negotiate very, very well!). For more information, please refer to the enclosed **Conference, Hotel & Travel Information Sheet** and note additional instructions.

LATCRIT: A GREAT WAY TO CAP YOUR ACADEMIC YEAR

From its inception, LatCrit theory has embraced and exhibited a dual commitment to **scholarship and to community**. The balancing of these two values is reflected annually in part in our choice of meeting place: every year we look for a suitable facility that is self-contained and conducive to varied forms of interaction, including recreational and

informal activities. We hope that our discussion of antistubordination ideas in a relaxing and restorative social settings will progressively promote an ethic of principle, friendship and community in LatCrit theory. The annual LatCrit conference is the best way to end the academic year: we gather both to do our joint intellectual work as well as to have fun and develop a vital social community. There simply is no better way to wind down the school year. Check out the enclosed materials: we look forward to seeing you at the **2:30 PM program kick-off on Thursday, May 4th!** Remember to return your completed LatCrit V Registration Form and registration check, and to make your separate travel and lodging arrangements ASAP! And, remember, if you misplace any conference forms, you can visit our website to download copies for timely and convenient use.

Reminder:

**!! SEND YOUR REGISTRATION FORM
AND CHECK IN BY MARCH 31!!**

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Conference, Hotel & Travel Information Sheet

DEADLINE FOR HOTEL AND CONFERENCE REGISTRATION IS MARCH 31, 2000.

This Information Sheet provides the details necessary for you to register both for the conference hotel as well as for the LatCrit V conference; please note that registration for the hotel and conference are separate but that the deadline for both registrations is the same - March 31, 2000. **This deadline is "real"** because our contract with the hotel attaches increased costs for accommodations and related services after that date. After reading this Information Sheet carefully, please follow the relevant instructions to act promptly in meeting this deadline for both registrations.

Hotel Registration:

Hotel reservations and arrangements are made directly with the conference site, which is the Village at Breckenridge Resort (535 S. Park Street, Breckenridge, Colorado 80424). To make your reservations and payment arrangements call the Reservations Department at 1-800-800-STAY (7829) and specify that you are part of the "LatCrit Conference" meeting from May 4-7, 2000. Please refer to the enclosed hotel brochure for a diagram of room layouts.

We have arranged a reduced rate of \$62 - 68 (single or double) per night. Arrangements for doubling-up need to be made directly among conference attendees. **Please note that these group rates are applicable only if you make your hotel reservation by March 31, 2000. To take advantage of this rate, you MUST contact the hotel directly by March 31st otherwise you will be charged the usual, higher rate and we will be unable to intercede on your behalf.**

IF YOU ARE A STUDENT OR A STUDENT GROUP, we have negotiated a limited number of highly discounted student rates. To take advantage of these rates, please call Roberto Corrada directly at 303/871-6273 to inquire about the rates or to make a reservation.

Conference Registration:

Registering for the conference is separate from the hotel registration, and should be made directly through the University of Denver College of Law. The conference registration fee is \$295 per person, and it covers everything during the three days of the conference (except lodging and personal expenses). This fee covers all meals, breaks, and

snacks, all post-dinner spirits, refreshments and munchies, all conference events and materials, all gratuities and all taxes. Nonparticipants are very welcome at the Conference, but if they will be joining us for meals must pay a separate meal-only charge of \$195 per person. Because we must provide detailed meal counts to the conference hotel in advance, we must receive your completed LatCrit V Advance Registration Form no later than March 31, 2000. **To register for the conference please complete and send the enclosed "LatCrit V Advance Registration Form" with your check made out to "LatCrit" for \$295 per registrant and \$195 (meals only) for each nonregistrant directly to:**

Roberto L. Corrada

LatCrit V Conference

University of Denver College of Law

Room F-128

1900 Olive Street

Denver, Colorado 80220

Please make your check out to " **LatCrit**" and send it **before** March 31st.

Meals:

As noted above, we have arranged on-site catered meals during the conference. **Please note any special meal requests on your LatCrit V Advance Registration Form.** Please make sure to return the fully-completed form to us at the University of Denver College of Law by March 31, 2000.

Airline Travel:

Of course you can book air travel through your own travel agent; however, this year we have made special arrangements with Vail Travel to offer to Conference participants discounted airfares on United Airlines. Some sample fares are quoted below. PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE FARES INCLUDE SHUTTLE TRANSPORTATION TO THE HOTEL (ordinarily a separate cost of \$76 round trip). To book these fares, please call 1-970-496-3597 ask for Vail Travel and mention that you are with the "LatCrit Conference."

Quoted sample fares (include United Air Lines roundtrip airfare + shuttle transport to & from Breckenridge + all airline taxes + all airport/fuel surcharges):

New York: \$389 Los Angeles: \$308

Miami: \$398 Chicago: \$311

Dallas: \$291 San Francisco: \$293

Albuquerque: \$326 Boston: \$386

Austin: \$321 Atlanta: \$367

Portland: \$398 Phoenix: \$293

San Diego: \$321

Shuttle Information:

Airport shuttle service from Denver International Airport to the Village at Breckenridge Resort is available through RESORT EXPRESS. Resort Express shuttles depart the Airport every hour and a half, from 9:30 a.m. until 9:30 p.m (see the attached schedule). Transportation can be booked directly by calling Resort Express at 1-800-334-7433. Please mention that you are with the "LatCrit Conference" to receive a discounted round trip rate of \$76 (one way discounted rate is \$38). Car rentals also can be arranged at the airport, through the hotel, or through your travel agent.

Child Care Services:

Child care services will be provided, though details are pending. At this point we need to know how much interest exists. If you may be interested, please see the enclosed "Childcare Survey" form and complete it by the date indicated. For more information contact Nancy Ehrenreich directly via email at: nehrenre@mail.law.du.edu.

Student Attendance:

Students are encouraged to attend all LatCrit conferences. To facilitate student attendance, we are happy to waive the conference registration fee for a limited number of student attendees on a case-by-case basis, and depending both on need and available resources. We have arranged special rates on a limited availability basis for the Conference. The first 25 students may book lodging at special student rates -- \$45 flat rate per night (single or double) for a hotel room or, for a group of as many as eight students, a \$95 flat rate per night for a Plaza 3 bedroom (sleeps 6 to 8 persons). To take advantage of these rates students must call Roberto Corrada at 303/871-6273. Arrangements for travel remain the responsibility of individual attendees, however.

LatCrit V Advance Registration Form

**!! ADVANCE CONFERENCE REGISTRATION DEADLINE:
MARCH 31, 2000 !!**

Please make sure to fill out legibly and completely

Use this form for Conference Registration ONLY;

*Hotel Registration is separate -
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LatCrit V Conference

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Group Reservation Form

For

LatCrit from May 4, 2000 - May 7, 2000

Name: _____ **Credit Card #:** _____ **Exp. Date:** _____

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Daytime Phone: _____ **Evening Phone:** _____ **Fax #"** _____

Arrival Date: _____ **Departure Date:** _____

Number of Nights: _____ **Number of People per Unit:** _____

Names of people sharing room with you Credit Card Number Exp. Date

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All room rates subject to applicable taxes, currently 10.952%. Check-in time is after 4:00 pm and check-out time is before 10:00 am.

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LatCrit V: CHILDCARE SURVEY

Fifth Annual LatCrit Conference

LatCrit V - May 4-7, 2000

**The Village at Breckenridge Resort
Breckenridge, Colorado**

PROMPT RETURN REQUIRED

**Please return this form by FAX ASAP,
and no later than March 15, 2000**

Parents Interested in Child Care

A SPECIAL NOTE TO PARENTS:

The Fifth Annual LatCrit Conference welcomes non-participant partners, friends and families of all ages, and is pleased to note that this year's conference site, the Village at Breckenridge Resort, is especially suited to families. Bring your loved ones. Children are especially welcome. To facilitate registrants' childcare needs, the Planning Committee is exploring a range of childcare options that will be made available to participants at an additional expense. To devise the most age-appropriate and affordable care, we need to collect information from parents of infants or children who may need care at the conference (as well as from parents whose teen children might be interested in helping provide such care). Please use this form to convey your needs to us, and make sure to see the reverse side, too. Thanks for your prompt response!

Please **FAX** the completed form to Nancy Ehrenreich, University of Denver College of Law, at **303-871-6711**. Please return the completed form ASAP, and no later than **March 15, 2000**. Thanks!!

Name: _____

School: _____

Mailing
Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Name(s) & Age(s) of Child(ren) who may need care during the conference:

Do any of these children have special needs?

Speaking ideally, when during the conference would you like childcare?

_____ Thursday afternoon _____ Friday evening _____ Sunday morning

_____ Thursday evening _____ Saturday day _____ Other/specify:

_____ Friday day _____ Saturday evening

Will the availability of childcare influence your decision to attend the conference? _____

Speaking ideally, please rank order the possible childcare options listed below:

_____ small-group, age specific care from an outside babysitting agency (in family hotel room)

_____ cooperative babysitting among parents

_____ babysitting by teen children of other conference attendees

_____ other ideas you may have

Please provide us with any additional information about your needs:

Parents with Children Willing to Provide Care

To help us accommodate the child care needs of conference attendees, we are seeking to connect those attendees with teen children who are attending the conference with family

or friends. If you are bringing a child who might be interested in offering babysitting services, please fill out this portion of the form, **as well as the portion above for name, address, etc.**

Do you have an older child who would like to offer their babysitting services?

If so, list their name and age, and briefly describe the nature of their

babysitting experience:

Would your child be willing to provide those services free of charge? ___yes ___no

If not, how much would s/he expect to be paid? _____

What is the likelihood that your child will be available to provide child care?

___ definitely ___ likely ___ possibly

When during the conference would the child be likely to be able to provide childcare?

_____ Thursday afternoon _____ Friday evening _____ Sunday morning

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TENTATIVE PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Fifth Annual LatCrit Conference

"LatCrit V"

Class in LatCrit:

Theory and Praxis in a World of Economic Inequality

May 4 - 7, 2000

The Village at Breckenridge Resort

Breckenridge, Colorado

Presented By Latina and Latino Critical Theory, Inc.

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THURSDAY, May 4, 2000

All events at the Village at Breckenridge Resort

Noon - open Conference and Hotel Registration

2:30-3:15 **Welcome Reception: Refreshments and Munchies**

Hosted by the Village at Breckenridge

3:15-5:15 **Moderated Roundtable Discussion**

Political Economies of Subordination in LatCrit Perspective: "Piercing the Veils" of Class and Identity in Traditional Curricula

Moderator: Elizabeth Iglesias

Discussants: Alice Abreu (Tax & Citizenship), Margalynne Armstrong (Property), Darlene Cedres (Environmental), Russell Jacobs (Corporate), Audrey MacFarlane (Corporate), Alfonso Morales (Sociology), Charles Pouncy (Property), Dan Solarzano (Education), Scott Taylor (Tax & Indian Law), Fred Yen (Intellectual Property).

Commentator: Jerome Culp

5:30-6:45 **Plenary Panel One**

Comparative Racializations: Constructing InterGroup AntiRacist Frameworks

Moderator: Sumi Cho

Panelists: Neil Gotanda & Gerald Torres

Commentator: Angela Harris

7:00-9:00 **Dinner, Opening Remarks & Keynote**

Opening Remarks: Leslie Espinoza

Keynote

Introduction: Rachel Moran*

Speaker: Dolores Huerta

Co-founder & first Vice President, United Farm Workers

Topic: *Sexual Harassment and Farmworker Organizing*

9:15-10:30 **Post-Dinner MultiMedia Forum**

Racing Re-presentation: A Postcolonial Intercambio of Migrant Subjectivity

Presenter: Gerardo Lopez

* Unconfirmed

FRIDAY, May 5, 2000

All events at the Village at Breckenridge Resort

7:30-8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

8:30-10:15 **Moderated Focus-Group Discussion**

Queering LatCrit Discourse: Confronting Latina/o Homophobia

Moderator: Margaret Montoya

Discussants: Nan Boyd, Devon Carbado, David Cruz, Berta Hernandez-Truyol, Darren Hutchinson, Coco Iwamoto

Participants: All Present

10:30-11:45 Concurrent Panels (See Schedule, Appended Below)

12:00-1:15 **Lunch & Keynote**

Introduction: Mary Romero

Speaker: Oliva Espin

Professor, Women's Studies, San Diego State University

Topic: *Immigration, Language & Sexuality*

1:15-3:00 **MID-AFTERNOON BREAK**

Free/Discretionary/Recreational/Caucusing Time

3:00-4:45 **Plenary Panel Two**

The Feminization of Poverty: Marking Intersections and Disjunctures Within and Between Feminist and LatCrit Theory

Moderator: Celina Romany

Panelists: Elvia Arriola, Kendal Broad, Lisa Park

Commentators: Athena Mutua & Peter Margolies*

5:00-6:45 Concurrent Workshops (See Schedule, Appended Below)

7:00-9:00 **Dinner , Welcoming Remarks & Keynote**

Introduction: Roberto Corrada

Welcoming Remarks: Dean Nell Jessup Newton, University of Denver College of Law

Speaker: Ida Castro

Chair, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

9:15 **Post-Dinner MultiMedia Forum**

"Buena Vista Social Club" - The Film

Facilitator: Pedro Malavet

* Unconfirmed

SATURDAY, May 6, 2000

All events at The Village at Breckenridge Resort

7:30-8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

8:30-10:15 **Plenary Panel Three**

Multi/Cultural Artistic Re/Presentations in Mass Media: Capitalism, Power, Privilege and Cultural Production

Moderator: Pedro Malavet

Panelists: Steve Bender, Alicia Gaspar de Alba*, Juan Velasco

Commentators: Ruby P. Andrew & Dennis Greene

10:30-11:45 Concurrent Works-in-Progress Feedback Sessions

12:00-1:15 **Lunch & Keynote**

Introduction: Nancy Ehrenreich

Speaker: Juan Gonzales

Reporter, New York Daily News & Co-Host, Democracy Now

Topic: *Speak Spanish, You're in America: El Huracan Over Language and Culture*

1:15-3:00 **MID-AFTERNOON BREAK**

Free/Discretionary/Recreational/Caucusing Time

3:00-4:45 **Plenary Panel Four**

Colorado Local Issues: Histories of Racism, Classism & Heterosexism

Moderator: Julie Nice

Panelists: Lisa Duran (Immigration), Martha Ertman/Donaciano Martinez* (Amendment Two), Robert Maes (Land Rights), Soyun Park/Bill Vandenberg (Affirmative Action), Rosemary Rodriguez (History)

Commentator: Peggy Russell

5:00-6:45 **Plenary Panel Five**

Post/NeoColonialisms in LatCrit Theory: Continuing the Dialogue

Moderator: Leti Volpp

Panelists: Bill Bradford, J. Kehaulani Kauanui, Teresa Miller, E. San Juan, Jr.

LatCrit V

Works-in-Progress Advance Reader Form

If you are interested in serving as an advance reader for a work-in-progress at the LatCrit V conference, please FAX this one-page form back to Sumi Cho at 312-362-5448 as soon as possible, and in any event NO LATER THAN Friday, March 31, 2000.

Please do so in a timely manner: it is imperative that we receive this form back from you expeditiously so that we can arrange the works-in-progress feedback groups in a timely way. After receiving all the forms, we will contact potential readers and then circulate the names of the designated readers to all authors. Please remember that authors must send drafts to readers by April 21, 2000. Thanks.

_____ **Yes, I am interested in serving as an Advance Reader for a work in progress at LatCrit V.**

_____ **No, I cannot be an Advance Reader at LatCrit V, but please give my name and contact information to someone with a work in progress in my area and I will read and comment on a draft.**

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION

My areas of interest or expertise (please give general + specific information):

Name: _____ *Email:* _____

Phone: _____ *Fax:* _____

Fifth Annual LatCrit Conference

LatCrit V

May 4-May 7, 2000

Breckenridge, Colorado

SUBSTANTIVE PROGRAM OUTLINE

Class in LatCrit:

Theory and Praxis in a World of Economic Inequality

Saludos! And welcome to (arguably) the first LatCrit conference of the new millennium! This year, the LatCrit Annual Conference will mark this new beginning by taking the long foreshadowed step of affirmatively and self-consciously centering issues of class and economic inequality in the articulation of LatCrit theory and discourse. As many LatCritters have repeatedly commented, the articulation of an inclusive vision of intra- and intergroup justice has for too long been paralyzed by the dichotomization of race and class in popular discourse and legal theory. In this dichotomy, the struggle to understand, achieve and even to imagine the requirements of objective justice is truncated and derailed by the simplistic expedient of repeatedly recasting the achievement of social justice as a battle between those who tend to minimize the significance of race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation and national origin in order to prioritize the significance of class and those who, on the other hand, minimize class in their efforts to prioritize identity in one way or another.

This year, the LatCrit V Planning Committee has made an affirmative effort to structure the annual conference in a way that centers questions of class throughout the program and specifically in the five substantive plenaries. Though these plenaries take up a wide array of social justice issues confronting our diverse communities and engage a broad range of theoretical perspectives, including Queer Theory, Feminist Theory, Cultural Studies and Post-Colonial Theory, we have sought in each instance to expand the substantive agenda marked for LatCrit anti-essentialist anti-subordination critique by inviting these various critical perspectives to address the problem of subordination in a way that centers issues of class inequality within and between our overlapping and diverse communities.

The program promises to be as lively and challenging as the collective process that produced it! We, therefore, enthusiastically invite you to review this Substantive Program Outline and the enclosed Program Schedule for further details. Many thanks, mucho cariño, and we look forward to seeing you at the Village at Breckenridge Resort on May 4th -- hopefully by 3:15 p.m. in time for the program kick-off!!

Thursday's Kick-Off: A Moderated Focus-Group Discussion

***Political Economies of Subordination in LatCrit Perspective:
"Piercing the Veils" of Class and Identity in Traditional Curricula***

This year the program will kick off on Thursday, May 4, 2000, at 3:15 with a moderated plenary discussion on LatCrit analysis as applied to traditional areas of the curriculum. The focus of this kick-off discussion reflects a concerted effort among LatCrit scholars to expand the range of legal topics marked for anti-subordination critique beyond the familiar fare of "Latina/o issues." Although legal struggles over issues like employment discrimination, equal protection, immigration policies, and language rights continue to be of particular and obvious importance and, therefore, central to evolving LatCrit social justice agendas, the reproduction of subordination implicates a vast array of legal regimes not yet subject to sustained LatCrit analysis. The continued material dispossession and political marginality of Latinas/os and other communities of color are directly implicated in legal struggles over the structure of U.S. tax codes, corporate and environmental laws, intellectual property regimes, the regulation of small businesses and the myriad statutory regimes that encase and too often limit the transformative potential of community development projects.

This opening plenary seeks to bridge this gap in LatCrit theory by convoking a diverse group of legal scholars, practicing attorneys, educators, and social scientists to share their critical perspectives and varied experiences teaching traditional business law subjects from a race-conscious, anti-subordination perspective, seeking alternative models for the delivery of legal services to micro-enterprises in impoverished communities, using critical theory to prepare K-12 teachers to work in communities of color, and articulating new theoretical perspectives on the way regimes of il/legality construct formal and informal markets and their impact on communities of color. The discussion will be moderated by Lisa Iglesias, with comments by Jerome Culp and audience participation. Please make your travel plans well in advance to be present for this important discussion and exchange!

LatCrit V: An Overview

Five Substantive Plenary Panels

This year the substantive program is organized around five interdisciplinary plenary panels, spread across the three-day conference. As described more fully in this substantive outline, these panels include speakers from various disciplines, identity groups and sectors of law and society and address a wide range of substantive concerns, from *Comparative Racializations*, to the *Feminization of Poverty*, to the *Non/Representations of Latinas/os in Mass Media* and *Post/Neocolonialisms in LatCrit Perspective*. As in prior conferences, the program also features a plenary panel on the local histories and current issues confronting outsider groups residing in the site of our annual conference. This year's local plenary on *Colorado Issues* bears powerful witness to the value of this practice as a way of grounding the production of LatCrit theory in a dynamic encounter with local activists and in the particularities of subordination that are

organized in and against the specific historical, cultural, economic and political realities that characterize the different geographic regions of this country.

These five plenary panels also reflect a delicate balance between the need to revisit issues of fundamental and continuing importance to our multiply diverse communities and the need to chart new directions, center particular struggles and integrate new issues and perspectives into evolving LatCrit social justice agendas. Both are crucially important in deepening the theoretical insights and expanding the solidaristic commitments already achieved through the collective discourse and community-building efforts of prior LatCrit conferences.

Four Keynote Addresses

As in the past, the conference features keynote talks during some of the meals. This year, we will hear from a wide variety of interdisciplinary folks and grass-roots activists. Dolores Huerta, a co-founder of the United Farm Workers, and long dedicated advocate for farmworkers and women's rights will discuss *Sexual Harassment and Farm Worker Organizing*. Huerta's keynote is informed by her many years as an activist and lobbyist. Aside from serving as the secretary-treasurer of the UFW, Huerta is the vice president of the California AFL-CIO and the Coalition for Labor Union Women, and the vice president and a board member for the Fund for the Feminist Majority.

In a talk entitled, *Immigration, Language, and Sexuality*, Oliva Espin, a psychologist and professor of women's studies from San Diego State University, will discuss her research on Latina immigrants and sexuality, recently published in her book on *Women Crossing Boundaries: the Psychology of Immigration and the Transformations of Sexuality*. Recounting some of the results of her research on refugee women from Europe, Latin America, Asia and the Caribbean, Espin will analyze the clash of cultural expectations and gender roles that accompanies massive transcultural migrations and recount the various accommodations refugee women must negotiate between age-old traditions and new sexual possibilities.

Juan Gonzalez, a reporter for the *New York Daily News* and co-host of Pacifica Radio's nationally syndicated news program, *Democracy Now*, will give a talk entitled *Speak Spanish, You're in America: El Huracán Over Language and Culture*. Drawing from a chapter in his recently published book, *Harvest of Empire*, Gonzalez will critique the prevailing terms of the debate about "English only" statutes and other language-related issues in this country. Focusing on the longstanding presence of Spanish-speaking and Native individuals on the North American continent, he will argue that English is not and never has been the only language that is "indigenous" to the United States.

Evelyn Hu-DeHart, Chair of the Ethnic Studies Department at the University of Colorado, will present a keynote lecture on *The WTO and the Underside of Glozalization*. Most discussions of the recent "Battle in Seattle," in which a consortium of labor, environmental and other progressive groups shut down the city and prevented the opening of the second meeting of the World Trade Organization, have depicted the issues

raised by that protest as pitting First World concern for workers' rights and environmental protection against Third World nations' need for unhampered economic development. This dichotomy between development and individual rights, Hu-DeHart will argue, misconceives both sides of the equation - treating developing nations as monolithic and homogeneous and constructing developed countries as far more enlightened than they really are.

Two Concurrent Workshops

Because of the enthusiastic responses to our Call for Papers, Panels and Participation from so many of you, we have also (once again) been able to organize two sets of concurrent sessions, both of which are scheduled for Friday. One set of concurrent sessions is comprised of two concurrent workshops, to be held simultaneously on Friday afternoon (5-6:45pm).

The first workshop features Richard Delgado, Jean Stefancic and Tom Russell on *Documenting Racial Histories and Realities: Techniques in Pedagogy and Scholarship*. Professors Delgado and Stefancic will examine the history of racial mistreatment of citizens of color in Colorado, starting with the 19th century and continuing on through the Klan period of the 1920s and beyond. They will draw on the historical record to support their argument in favor of remediation - making amends for past sins - as an alternate basis for upholding affirmative action programs in higher education. Such programs, they assert, can better be defended not as necessary to accomplish "diversity," but rather as part of an effort to return members of affected minority groups to the position they would have been in had the discrimination they suffered never occurred. Tom Russell will discuss a seminar on racial discrimination at the University of Texas, which he has taught at the U.T. Law School. This archive-intensive course uses original source materials (papers from deans, professors, committees, regents, etc.) and lectures by historical figures (such as the attorney who defended the state of Texas in *Sweatt v. Painter*) to excavate the history of segregation and racial discrimination at the school. Professor Russell will not only describe the findings that these efforts have turned up, but also the course itself.

The second workshop will provide practical training for LatCrit scholars interested in bridging the gap between theory and praxis. This second workshop, entitled *Becoming Expert Witnesses for the EEOC*, is the offshoot of a discussion that was begun last year, when EEOC General Counsel Greg Stewart presented a keynote lecture at Lat Crit IV. Following up on suggestions made at that time to the effect that it would be beneficial to both Lat Crit and the EEOC to develop an ongoing relationship between the two entities aimed at fostering positive contributions by law professors to antidiscrimination cases, we are pleased to offer this workshop, at which both General Counsel Stewart and EEOC Regional Attorney Bill Tamayo will provide information about how law professors can contribute their expertise in EEOC cases.

Seven Concurrent Panels

The other set of concurrent sessions this year (Friday, 10:30-11:45) features seven concurrent panels. Like the plenary panels, these concurrent sessions reflect the desire for continued attention to matters of recurring significance and the effort to mark new terrain for anti-subordination critique. The concurrent panels, as indicated more fully in the attached Program Schedule, address issues ranging from continuing LatCrit efforts to engage and incorporate critical perspectives on international and comparative law, to explorations of the current day consequences of Puerto Rico's colonized history, to the political economies of desire and global sex work. Panels will also cover police power and the criminal justice system, the intersections and disjunctures within and between Chicana/o Studies and LatCrit theory, and the uses of LatCrit theory in the field of education.

As in prior LatCrit conferences, both the concurrent panels and the concurrent workshops are crucial and integral events that enable conference participants to join in relatively intimate small-group settings to carry forward ideas from prior LatCrit conferences, or from conversations begun in plenary sessions during the conference, or to break new ground that may serve as points of programmatic follow-up in future LatCrit conferences. We hope you will take advantage of, and contribute to, the synergies that are so often produced by the blend of plenary and concurrent programming and so clearly evident in the Symposium proceedings that have resulted from these blends at prior LatCrit conferences.

Rotating Centers: Confronting Latina/o Homophobia -A Moderated Focus-Group Discussion

We are particularly pleased that this year's program will feature a moderated focus-group discussion entitled ***Queering LatCrit Discourse: Confronting Latina/o Homophobia***. This focus-group is self-consciously designed to carry forward the practice of "rotating centers" in LatCrit conferences. This practice was first initiated at LatCrit III, with the focus-group discussion entitled *From RaceCrit to LatCrit to BlackCrit? Exploring Critical Race Theory Within and Beyond the Black/White Paradigm*. In rotating centers, the purpose is self-consciously to take affirmative action to center the particularities of subordination experienced by marginal and intersectional identity groups *within* our various communities and to do so in a way that calls upon *all* LatCritters to engage the universal claims of justice and dignity that make *all* instances of oppression and discrimination *against any particular group* a matter of general LatCrit concern. Given the pervasive and particularly virulent forms of homophobic oppression expressed in and across all of the various communities of color that are currently invested in the further evolution of LatCrit anti-essentialist anti-subordination theory and praxis, the decision to center the particularities of homophobic oppression at LatCrit V is a timely and welcome development.

Works in Progress

Consistent with the LatCrit commitment to promote the production of excellent scholarship, we once again have also worked time into the program for a number of

works-in-progress. These works-in-progress will be made available in advance to conference participants in order to maximize the value of the presentation to the author. Be sure to register by March 31st to attend and participate in the work-in-progress session of your choice; as a community of scholars that is deeply invested in the success of each and all, this part of our annual gatherings is a crucial commitment.

Three Multimedia Forums!!

Finally, this year the conference organizers have arranged a special treat to inspire your imagination and challenge your conceptual schemata. Each night, conference participants will have an opportunity to participate in a Moderated Multimedia Forum. On Thursday night, Gerardo Lopez from the University of Missouri at Columbia, will deliver a montage-like presentation entitled *Racing Re-presentation: A Postcolonial Intercambio of Migrant Subjectivity*. Designed to produce a non-linear, multi-modal, raced narrative of migrant lives, the presentation will include photos and drawings by migrant students, readings of poems and newspaper articles, and audience participation. The goal will be to disrupt the unitary and coherent image of migrancy by interrogating the possibilities and problematics of our own engagement with these "data."

On Friday night, we will screen *The Buena Vista Social Club*, with a moderated discussion session facilitated by Pedro Malavet. This wildly popular film has become the video version of Ricky Martin - that is, it is one of the major sites of the mainstream society's recent engagement with (appropriation of?) Latino/a culture. Richly evocative and full of fabulous music, but at the same time inviting problematic exoticization and "othering," this movie should provide much food for thought and discussion, as well as whetting people's appetites for the following morning's plenary panel on representations of Latina/os and others in the mass media.

On Saturday night, Fran Ansley will present *The Video Letter Project: A Story of the Impact of Globalization on East Tennessee and Mexico*. After showing six "video letters" just completed by documentary filmmaker Anne Lewis (associate director of *Harlan County USA* and director/producer of a number of other films on working class people), Ansley (who served as "humanities advisor" on the letters project) will lead an open discussion on the issues raised by the "letters." The focus of the discussion will not only be on the effect of globalization in East Tennessee and linked impacts to several communities in Mexico, but also on the need to share LatCrit ideas with working class people and to develop innovative means of making these ideas accessible to workers on the front-line.

Program Details

It is with great pleasure that we submit this brief outline of the substantive themes that are intended to guide the discussions and presentations for this important moderated focus-group discussion as well as for each of the five plenary panels. Each year, LatCrit conference organizers spend a good deal of time preparing a Substantive Program Outline in order to ensure that all conference participants have ample opportunity to prepare in

advance for the conference and to, thereby, more effectively participate in building on the conceptual and political advances made at prior LatCrit gatherings and charting new trajectories for our collective attention. After reviewing this Outline, please turn to the enclosed Program Schedule for more information about the conference logistics.

Plenary Panel One

Comparative Racializations: Constructing Intergroup AntiRacist Frameworks

This panel will feature veteran LatCrit theorists Gerald Torres and Neil Gotanda, as well as one or two other panelists yet to be confirmed. In his talk on "Hispanics and Asymmetrical Conceptions of Race," Torres will argue that race has a different valence for different ethnic groups. It doesn't have a different meaning, so much as a different weight. He seeks to focus some more light on the term "race" from different vantage points, but particularly from the Hispanic point of view. Providing an interesting counterpoint to Torres' exploration of race as understood by Latina/os, Neil Gotanda will examine comparative racialization of African Americans and Asian Americans. Attempting to move beyond the truism that race is socially constructed, Gotanda argues that such social construction takes different forms among different ethnic groups, and that these variations affect and are affected by law.

Moderated Focus-Group Discussion

Queering LatCrit Discourse: Confronting Latina/o Homophobia

Based upon LatCrit's commitment to inclusion, pluralism, community, and coalition-building, our conferences from the outset have addressed diverse outsider and subordination themes throughout the annual programs, including considerations of sexuality and identity. This plenary program will build upon prior LatCrit efforts to engage sexual orientation issues and resist cultural homophobia by focusing on why and how sexual outsiders within outsider communities confront and subvert heterosexist structures of subordination. In keeping with this year's conference theme on class and economic inequality, this year's panel both will expand on some sexual orientation issues previously engaged in prior LatCrit forums, as well as consider the intersection of class and sexuality in the production of cultural imperatives and images that exclude or marginalize sexual minorities in Latina/o and other communities.

Some of the points that panelists may address include:

How do prevalent constructions of sexual minorities as affluent and privileged (white, professional males) help to erase Queers who are poor, nonwhite, nonAnglo, bisexual, transgendered, and/or women--and thereby negatively impact any coalition building project, especially among and across Latina/o communities? What "bridging" strategies

can LatCrit provide to debunk the deployment of the "[upper-]class card" in gay-bashing discourses?

"Coming out"--a central political strategy of "gay liberation"--may be skewed (and fundamentally flawed) by inattention to the additional burdens that the politics of visibility impose on those who are most economically vulnerable, a group that is disproportionately people of color. Moreover, when Queers of color seek refuge among sexual minority communities after "coming out" and experiencing expulsion from their families and racial/ethnic communities, many such refugees ultimately become alienated from both groups due to the variable yet common intersections of heterosexism, racism, and ethnocentrism.. How might LatCrit and Queer theorists help to devise more egalitarian and effective antisubordination strategies on behalf of multiply diverse Queers of color and others affected by this oversight?

Do Queer activist priorities articulated through the contemporary agenda of AIDS research, military opportunity, domestic partnerships benefits and same-sex marriage reflect the social and legal priorities of economically privileged, white Queers over those of low-income Queers of color?

How do cultural features and practices of Latina/o societies and communities, such as machismo, family and religion affect specifically the socio-material and spiritual well-being of Latina lesbians and bisexuals? How can LatCrit approaches to machismo, family and religion be Queered to respond to the particular oppression of Latina lesbians, bisexuals, and transgendered persons produced by the confluence of these factors?

How can LatCrit theorists help develop and make manifest a vision of social justice that takes into equal account the interests of Latinas/os and other people of color who also are members of a sexual minority?

Within both Latina/o and Queer communities, gender-atypical persons like transvestites, transsexuals and the trans/bi-gendered and other "gender benders" oftentimes are the most socially ostracized and economically subordinated because they present the most public expression of nonconformance to heteropatriarchal sex/gender dictates. How can LatCrit theory help to intervene on behalf of these particular members of our communities in a way that is consistent with antisubordination principles and practices?

Do the "different" types of im/migration patterns and experiences that characterize diverse Latina/o communities produce different social effects regarding sexuality and heterosexism within "different" Latina/o communities today? Similarly, do "different" colonial histories affect the intersection and interplay of Anglo and Latina/o homophobias in modern-day Latina/o communities? If so, how can these "differences" be activated on behalf of antisubordination theory, praxis, community and coalition?

Plenary Panel Two

The Feminization of Poverty: Marking Intersections and Disjunctures Within and Between Feminist and LatCrit Theory

The status of feminist theory in LatCrit discourse and social justice agendas marks a complex field of intersection and disjuncture for Latinas and other women of color. On the one hand, the virulent machismo that characterizes many aspects of Latina/o culture makes the articulation of feminist theory in LatCrit discourse a matter of pressing importance. On the other hand, many of the basic conceptual frameworks and political objectives articulated in mainstream feminist theory and practice neglect the particular realities that confront women of color both within and beyond the United States.

This plenary seeks to explore the relevance of feminist theory to the project of promoting an anti-essentialist politics of intergroup justice by focusing specifically on the realities of class inequalities and material dispossession experienced by women of *all* colors. In this context, the much heralded "feminization of poverty" presents a particularly useful point of departure. Triggered by the contraction of the welfare state and its entitlement programs, the "divorce revolution," the assault on single mothers in the implementation of public policies and the economic "restructuring" that divested many white middle and working class communities of the high wage union jobs that previously sustained the traditional heteropatriarchal nuclear family, the increasing impoverishment visited on white women and their children throughout the 1980s and '90s was termed the "feminization of poverty." This discursive construct was deployed to mobilize shame and outrage against the conservative public policies and corporate greed that produced new levels of unprecedented poverty, as well as to draw attention to the way the structure of rights and obligations in American family law regimes inflicted substantial economic disadvantages on divorced women and the children over whom they often retained primary custody.

And yet, as a discursive construct, "the feminization of poverty" projects an image of deterioration which presupposes a prior status quo where poverty was *not* pervasive among women and children. In doing so, this image suppresses and marginalizes in feminist discourse the realities of poverty that have long characterized the life experiences of women of color and *their* children in the United States and throughout the globe. The poverty of women of color has long been around and is directly related to *other* realities like the reality of racial discrimination in employment and education, the vulnerabilities of immigrant status, the exploitation of domestic workers in this country and of low wage female labor throughout Latin America and other Third World countries.

At the same time, in articulating a LatCrit intervention in feminist theory, LatCrit scholars need also to consider and explore the implications of inviting a feminist intervention in LatCrit theory. The realities of racism in Anglo culture do not negate or in anyway minimize the realities of sexism in Latina/o cultures. A LatCrit commitment to anti-essentialist anti-subordination politics must take the struggles of women within

Latina/o communities as seriously as it takes the struggles of Latinas in and against the racism and classism of the white majority. In launching this conversation, the panelists might consider any of the follow issues:

- What does "the feminization of poverty" mean in the context of Latina/o communities and other communities of color both within and beyond the United States?
- Can the "feminization of poverty" mark a common agenda for women of *all* colors to transcend the divisions of race, ethnicity and national origin? what might be the legal sites for articulating this common agenda in proactive reform efforts? and how would an agenda organized around these articulated commonalities among women position women of color in relationship to men?
- How do class inequalities and racial/ethnic discrimination operate among and between women of color? And, more specifically, how do the different configurations of political power and economic power within and between different Latina/o communities in the United States and throughout Latin America impact on the construction of a class consciousness (or lack of thereof) among different groups of Latinas?
- Finally, how do the particular experiences of lesbians and bi-sexual women of color structure the experience of economic dispossession and poverty, the formation of class consciousness, and the occupational opportunities available for escaping economic subordination?

Plenary Panel Three

Multi/Cultural Artistic Re/presentation in Mass Media: Capitalism, Power, Privilege and Cultural Production

In our continuing LatCritical process of exploring positive and negative cultural narratives, this panel is a follow-up to the LatCrit IV Plenary Panel entitled *Literature and Arts as Antisubordination Praxis: LatCrit Theory and Cultural Production*. Because there we focused on popular culture of and by different communities, not on mass-media production, we did not address the issues of capitalism, power, privilege and cultural production. However, no LatCrit analysis of the transformative power of the arts would be complete without attention to the impact of economic power, profit incentives, and market structures on the production of artistic representations.

Therefore, this panel addresses the question of representation of outsiders in the Mass Media. Representation has at least two dimensions (1) the literal, as in "how many persons of a particular group are 'epresented' or are present?" and (2) the symbolic, as in "how are members 'represented' or portrayed?" These two types of representation have a complex relationship that overlaps culture, politics and law. In culture, the question of how members of a particular group are portrayed is related to how group members are allowed to be present. In politics, the questions of how many members of a group are present to be counted is related to how that particular group is represented in a legislature or other political body.

Whether in culture or politics, the language of law is a crucial field for mediating questions of either symbolic or literal representation. Responding to critics of post modern theory, who complain that cultural politics has replaced real politics with "the representation of politics," we shall explore the "politics of representation" and reveal the various ways in which mass-media constitute a form of exclusionary and patriarchal political activation through the mis/use of power. Analysis of mass-media narratives allows us to engage in an interdisciplinary, scholarly and critical study of certain cultural representations that is consistent with the previously articulated commitments of LatCrit theory to the construction of community and the transformation of material realities. In addressing these issues, panelists might wish to consider the following questions:

- How does law participate in the process of reducing into arts into an "entertainment industry"?
- How does the structure of that industry restrict the production and dissemination of authentically transformative cultural forms and events? Conversely, how does it promote the production of homogenized MacCulture or of hegemonic cultural stereotypes?
- How should LatCrit theory engage these issues?

Plenary Panel Four

Colorado Local Issues: Histories of Racism, Classism and Heterosexism

To this day, the political climate in Colorado still reflects the tone and attitude of its tortured past, going back to the 1920s and 1930s when the Ku Klux Klan ran the state government. This continued climate of prejudice and discrimination is reflected in numerous contemporary events. Not long ago, for example, the people of Colorado voted to amend the state Constitution (Amendment 2) to expressly require public discrimination against gay men, lesbians, bisexuals, transgendered, and other gender atypical persons, and to prohibit their access to a variety of public fora through which they might otherwise seek to challenge this unprecedented assault on their civil and political human rights. On a different but related front, the Mountain States Legal Foundation, a right wing advocacy group heavily funded by the conservative core of Colorado's elite, single-handedly engineered the further demise of affirmative action in this country by representing the white-owned Adarand Contractors, Inc., in its successful effort to overturn affirmative action in a federal contracting program. These political and legal assaults on gay Americans and affirmative action are just particular instances of a long and ignoble history of oppression that includes, as well, the impunity with which white ranchers deployed an arsenal of tactics to dispossess the traditional Latina/o communities of the San Luis Valley in Colorado of their traditional land use rights. Today's political climate in Colorado is rife with anti-immigrant animus as well. Particularly in Colorado's resort communities, the tension between economic "necessity" and exploitation is constantly played out in the immigration arena. Yet despite the state's long history of oppression along race and class lines, Colorado has also witnessed the emergent power of effective inter-racial coalitions.

The purpose of this plenary is to recount the stories of the various coalitional projects that have taken up the struggles against these four local projects to legalize discrimination, eliminate affirmative action, retain title to stolen land use rights, and both exploit and deport immigrants. To this end, the plenary will recount the story of the struggle against Amendment 2 by focusing specifically on the work of two Colorado organizations that have played central roles in this struggle: the Colorado Legal Initiatives Project (CLIP) and La Gente Unida, a Colorado People of Color Gay/Lesbian Group. The story of the struggle to preserve affirmative action against reactionary retrenchment will highlight the activities of "Colorado Unity," a broad and diverse coalition of activists representing the interests of white women, African Americans, Latinas/os, and white progressives, whose heroic efforts defeated conservative efforts to enact a Colorado Proposition 209. The story of the struggle to reclaim the land use rights of Valley residents will focus on the various legal (and non-legal) strategies through which a diverse group of lawyers, representing the Land Rights Council and later joined by the Colorado Lawyers Committee, succeeded in petitioning the Colorado Supreme Court to accept a collateral attack on the procedural irregularities through which these traditional use rights were purportedly extinguished. Finally, the story of activist, business, and immigrant coalitions who have successfully prevented the INS from opening satellite offices in Colorado's resort towns will serve to introduce a broader discussion of immigrant existence in Colorado.

These four local examples of effective coalitional solidarity bear compelling witness to the fact that progressive alliances committed to combating the grossest injustices in the spirit of collaboration and mutual assistance can be highly effective even in a place like Colorado, which has long been a locus of racist and classist activity. In recounting these stories, panelists will strive to elucidate the lessons their local experiences may offer LatCrit scholars and activists in our efforts to project a vision and organize a practice of anti-essentialist coalitional solidarity in other parts of the country and across our many differences. The issues they may raise include:

- What can others learn about the way that injustice has been attacked in Colorado? Can broad coalitions of progressives work in other states like they have worked in Colorado?
- Are legal tactics like court suits and amicus brief strategies promising in the long term? Is their success in Colorado replicable in other states and/or communities?
- How can LatCrit theory contribute to local efforts like these? Is there a way for academics to be involved in these kinds of efforts that goes beyond being practically involved - is there some theorizing or analysis that can be deployed to make these efforts even more successful or more achievable in other contexts?

Plenary Panel Five

Post/Colonialisms in LatCrit Perspective: Expanding the Dialogue

This plenary session focuses on the role of the United States as imperial and colonial power both domestically and internationally. Specifically, it examines the relationships of colonial domination within the United States and in the Philippines, Hawai'i, and Puerto Rico, and the legal regimes through which these relationships were established and legitimized. From its advent, the United States has exercised colonial power over Native populations within its territorial boundaries. This history is reflected in the trail of broken treaties and physical brutality through which white settlers appropriated the vast lands that now constitute these United States with the full blessings and assistance of all three branches of constitutional government. U.S. colonial pretensions are also reflected in the annexation of the Philippines, Hawai'i, Puerto Rico, and various Pacific Islands beginning in 1898, as well as by its historical interventions and more recent policies toward Panama and Cuba.

Colonialism installed the United States, and Western Europe, at the center of world history and, through the strategic manipulation of enlightenment ideology, reconstituted others as the subjects of conquest. To this day, the United States retains what could be called colonial relationships with indigenous peoples within its borders, as well as in American Samoa, the Northern Marianas Islands, Guam, the Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico, all of which are maintained in dependent status as commonwealths, insular possessions, and/or trust territories. Looming over contemporary direct colonialisms has been the creation of a global project of domination through modernization and development, with the United States and other sites as headquarters of a new transnational, and neocolonial, capitalism.

The effort to center the particularities of class inequality and material dispossession within and between minority communities makes a LatCrit encounter with the history of U.S. colonialism and its current day neocolonial variations of particular importance in understanding the lived realities of Latinas/os and other Third World peoples, both within and beyond the territorial boundaries of the United States. In addressing these issues, panelists might reflect on any of the following matters:

- What new insights can LatCrit theory gain from examining contemporary Latino/a experiences through the lens of U.S. colonial history and the neo-colonial relationships that are currently being constituted through the processes of globalizing capital?
- How are the central themes and theoretical frameworks of post-colonial studies relevant to our understanding of the subordinated status of Latinas/os and other Third World peoples and of the U.S. role as an imperial power, both within and beyond the domestic territorial boundaries of this nation-state?
- How should LatCrit Theory thematize the relationship among race, ethnicity and colonialism? Should LatCrit scholars work to shift the analysis of race and ethnicity from its domestic U.S. context to place it within the context of imperialism and postcolonial studies? How might this shape our understanding of the relation of communities of color to the nation-state and the evolving structure of international law?

- How can a deeper understanding of the realities of U.S. settler colonialism and U.S. imperialism be used to expand the substantive scope of LatCrit social justice agendas and our efforts to combat relations of domination within and between minority communities? What legal regimes and institutions are particularly relevant to the understanding and combating the reproduction of imperial relations within and beyond the U.S. legal and economic systems?

LatCrit V Symposium Submission Guidelines

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SYMPOSIUM SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The Symposium Submission Guidelines outlined below are designed to provide all LatCrit V attendees with the necessary information to submit a timely essay for publication in the symposium that will be published based on this conference. Although we expect program participants to submit symposium essays, all registrants are invited to do likewise: **whether or not your name appears in the conference program, you are invited to participate in the symposium by submitting an essay** inspired by the conference. The published version of LatCrit conferences is integral to the continuing development of LatCrit and outsider legal discourse; for that reason, we hope you will decide to participate in the LatCrit V symposium. These Guidelines are designed to permit everyone at LatCrit V to plan ahead to help foster widespread and diverse participation in the symposium. Please review the following notes carefully.

The LatCrit V symposium will be published by the conference co-sponsors, the University of Denver Law Review and the Harvard Latino Law Review. This publication follows the six previous LatCrit symposia, most of which similarly commemorate and memorialize our prior gatherings. We are pleased to continue this dissemination of LatCrit literature, and urge you to plan your summer to contribute an essay to this symposium **by August 31st**.

This year we plan to audiotape or videotape each major presentation at the LatCrit V conference. All plenary panelists and keynoters who so desire we will be provided with either a tape or a transcript (depending upon funds availability) of their presentation, to aid in the composition of their written essay.

As before, all submissions to the symposium must be both **in hard copy and on diskette**. Please format your submission in MS Word. The law review editors will be **available to begin working on August 15th**, and have requested that all authors who have completed their essays by that date submit them then. However, the **final due date for submissions is August 31, 1999**, which should be plenty of time in light of the length and nature of the pieces (see below). Please note: **this deadline is final**, and must be taken seriously.

It may be helpful to think of this piece as a form of "oral essay" intended to convey the basic sense of the conference to those unable to attend. Due to space limitations, your essay should be **25-35 pages** in length (double-spaced, including footnotes). Your contribution to the symposium should engage and elaborate on comments, observations or exchanges occurring during the conference or issues related to the program. The substantive scope of your contribution can address or extend to any social or legal matter affecting Latina/o and related outsider communities; our main concern is that the symposium essays adopt a critical stance to help elucidate through LatCrit theorizing a viable Latina/o antistatist agenda.

Once you are finished -- ideally by August 15th but certainly no later than August 31st -- please transmit your essay directly to Roberto Corrada at the University of Denver College of Law. Remember: please make sure that you provide Roberto both with a hard copy of your essay as well as with a diskette formatted in MS Word. Roberto will compile all the timely-submitted essays and turn them over to the law review staff for commencement of the editorial process. Thereafter, you will hear directly from the student editors.

This part of the LatCrit V conference -- the publication of these proceedings -- is key because many ideas and points are raised annually at the conference that may not yet have appeared well developed (or at all) in print. These symposia not only create a substantive and historical record of our gatherings and efforts but also help to nudge along the production of critical knowledge on sociolegal issues of special significance to Latinas/os and other outgroups. Please take the time to ensure that the published version of LatCrit V is as powerful (or more so) as we hope the live version will be, and please plan ahead now to make sure that you will be able to meet the August 31, 2000, deadline after the conclusion of the conference. We look forward to receiving your finalized essay or contribution by the end of August... Thanks!

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