

AN INTRODUCTION AND INVITATION TO THE LATCRIT STUDENT SCHOLAR PROGRAM*

SSP Eligibility Requirements and Application Guidelines 2009

Applicants for the 2009 SSP must be interested in a law teaching career and in good standing during the 2009-10 academic year at an accredited graduate or professional degree program anywhere in the world, including but not limited to JD, LL.M., JSD, and Ph.D. programs. Applicants must be available to attend the entirety of the Fourteenth Annual LatCrit Conference, held October 1-4, 2009, at American University Washington College of Law in Washington, D.C. The SSP Project Team reserves the right to award at least one scholarship to a recent alum or practicing attorney seeking a transition into law teaching.

Applicants must submit:

1. A fully completed application form;
2. A current resume;
3. A one-page personal statement explaining how the SSP will further the applicant's intellectual and professional goals, and how the student fulfills the SSP's primary objective of diversifying the faculty in the legal academy with activist scholars; and
4. A previously unpublished, original paper, authored by the applicant, of no more than 10,000 words, on any topic related to race, ethnicity and the law that they are willing to submit for publication in the annual LatCrit volume.

While papers may address any critical aspect of race and the law, the following themes are of particular interest:

- Papers *focusing on Latinas/os as a distinct but diverse social group*, and its relationship to current legal regimes or practices;
- Papers *adopting a comparative approach* to understanding a social group's relationship to law and power relative to other axes of difference;
- Papers *discussing LatCrit theory in relation to other critical projects* that theorize class, gender, race, sexuality and other sociolegal identities and relations; and
- Papers *embracing an international perspective*, cognizant of the heightened South-North (as well as "East-West") divide and critical of the impact of neoliberalism and globalization in the creation and maintenance of these territorialized, identity-contingent, structural inequalities.

All application materials must be typed and submitted in English in Microsoft Word format, with the essay's word count displayed on its first page. All text, including footnotes (Bluebook citation format preferred), must be double spaced with one-inch margins on all sides.

Submissions should be emailed to Professor Margaret Montoya, montoya@law.unm.edu, using "SSP Submission" in the Subject line. For additional information, please review www.latcrit.org or contact one of the SSP Project Team Coordinators:

- Professor Margaret Montoya, UNM School of Law, montoya@law.unm.edu; or
- Professor Sumi Cho, DePaul University College of Law, scho@depaul.edu.

Each Student Scholar receives up to a \$500.00 stipend to reimburse reasonable transportation costs to and from the Annual LatCrit Conference, as well as an in-kind contribution covering conference registration, double occupancy lodging and group meals at the conference. Student Scholars are also assigned a faculty mentor to assist them with their scholarly project and professional career development, and they have the opportunity to publish their work in the Annual LatCrit Symposium volume.

The SSP submission deadline is Wednesday, July 1, 2009.

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