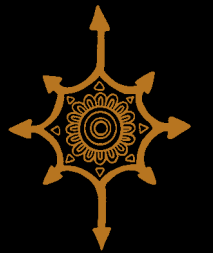




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RURAL TRANSFORMATION AND DEVELOPMENT



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examine current trends in migration and their
impact on rural communities in both countries.**

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6:00–7:00 P.M.

Wednesday, April 9

Mexic-Arte Museum

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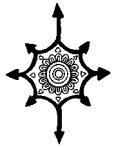
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About the Conference

The purpose of this conference is to bring together international scholars, policymakers, and civil society to explore emerging thought and ideas on the intersection between migration, rural development, and social policy. Participants will share recent trends and research on Mexico-U.S. migration, and related economic, social, cultural and political transformations occurring in rural communities of both nations. Rural places and their inhabitants have been subject to, as well as agents of, processes of globalization and economic liberalization. This has resulted in marked regional asymmetries, highly differentiated local responses, and reconfigurations of social, familial and economic relations. With the “new geography” of Mexican migration to the U.S., a growing number of migrants are settling in rural places in nontraditional destinations such as the American Southeast and Midwest. In Mexico, there has been notable growth in emigration from marginalized, and often indigenous, nontraditional origin southern states such as Veracruz, Chiapas, and Yucatan, among others. Rural communities on both sides of the border are increasingly interconnected, and interdependent, through the flow of people, money, products, information, ideas, beliefs, and cultural practices. Current immigration policy fails to recognize the intertwined future of rural places on both sides of the border, tied through dependency on either labor or remittances. This represents lost opportunities in the U.S. and in Mexico.

This conference will serve as a catalyst for meaningful dialogue on future policy, as well as research and development initiatives, in both Mexico and the U.S. that are aimed at minimizing the negative impacts and maximizing the potential benefits of migration in both rural sending and receiving communities. This forum is also a venue for exploring potential innovative approaches that would provide rural Mexican origin communities with locally based opportunities to improve quality of life,

as an alternative to emigration. Indeed it is our hope that the meetings will serve as a point of departure for future collaborative binational research, development, and policy initiatives on migration and rural development in Mexico and the United States.

As part of the conference program, and in partnership with Mexic-Arte Museum, Austin's foremost Mexican art venue, we present *Miracles on the Border*, an exhibition of *retablos* created by migrants in which they portray their experiences living and working on both sides of the border. These small, colorful paintings on metal were collected by migration expert Jorge Durand over the years as he conducted research in the field. Professor Durand of the Universidad de Guadalajara will be the conference's keynote speaker and will deliver his address on agricultural laborers and migration at Mexic-Arte Museum on Wednesday, April 9, from 6:00 to 7:00 P.M. A reception, free and open to the public, will follow. The exhibition will run through May 15, 2008.

No registration is required for the conference. For more information, please contact Gail Sanders at 512.232.2423 or <g.sanders@austin.utexas.edu>.

This event is sponsored by the:

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It is co-organized by Rebecca Torres, Harrington Fellow, Department of Geography and the Environment, and Bryan Roberts, Director of LLILAS.

Mexico-U.S. Migration: Rural Transformation and Development

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

8:30–9:00 A.M.

Welcome

Victoria Rodríguez, Vice Provost and Dean
of Graduate Studies, UT
Bryan Roberts, Director of LLILAS, UT
Rebecca Torres, Harrington Fellow, UT

9:00–11:00

Introductory Session I

**Globalization, Labor Migration, and Rural Restructuring
in the U.S. and Mexico**

Raúl Delgado Wise, Universidad de Zacatecas
The Process of Capitalist Restructuring: Labor Migration in the U.S.-Mexico Case
Agustín Escobar Latapí, CIESAS Occidente
Not NAFTA: Peasants, Work, and Mexico-U.S. Migration
Philip Martin, University of California, Davis
Immigration, Agriculture, and Rural America
William Kandel, USDA Economic Research, and
Emilio Parrado, Duke University
New Hispanic Migrant Destinations: A Tale of Two Industries

11:00–11:15

Coffee Break

11:15–1:45

Session II

**Migration and Rural Transformation in Mexican Sending
Communities**

Rafael Alarcón and Hugo Villegas Santibáñez,
Colegio de la Frontera Norte
Rain-Fed Agriculture and Migration to the U.S. in Tierra Caliente, Michoacán
Rebecca Torres, Harrington Fellow, UT
Rural Restructuring and Transnational Migration in the Totonac Region of Central Veracruz
Richard Jones, UT San Antonio
Migration Permanence and Village Decline in Zacatecas: When You Can't Go Home Again
Lourdes Gutiérrez Nájera, Dartmouth College
*Tripping over Stones and Falling in the Street: Divergent Views of Progress within a
Transnational Community*
Katharine Donato, Vanderbilt University
The Education-Migration Relationship: A Mexican Community Analysis

1:45–3:15 P.M. Lunch

**3:15–4:45 Session III
Transnational Migration, Settlement,
and Rural Transformation in the U.S.**

Emilio Parrado, Duke University, and William Kandel,
USDA Economic Research
Hispanic Population Growth and Rural Income Inequality
Helen Marrow, Harvard University
Immigration and Race Relations in the Rural South
Yolanda Padilla, UT
Families Living on the U.S.-Mexico Border: A Demographic Profile

**6:00–7:00 Keynote Address at Mexic-Arte Museum
JORGE DURAND**

Universidad de Guadalajara
The Rural Connection: Agricultural Workers in the U.S.

**7:00–8:30 Reception for exhibition *Miracles on the Border*
cohosted by the Mexican Center of LLILAS,
Mexic-Arte Museum, and the Harrington Fellows Program**

Welcome: Sylvia Orozco
Director, Mexic-Arte Museum



THURSDAY, APRIL 10

8:30–9:00 A.M. Welcome
Charles Roeckle, Deputy to the President, UT
Richard Flores, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, College
of Liberal Arts, UT

**9:00–11:30 Session IV
Transnational Linkages, Return Migration, and Remittances
for Development**

Rodolfo Cruz, Colegio de la Frontera Norte
International Remittances in Guanajuato, Mexico: Impact on the Urban and the Rural
Bryan Roberts and Claudia Masferrer, UT
Trends in Return Migration to Mexico: Rural vs. Urban
David Lindstrom, Brown University
Mexican Return Migration from the U.S. and Occupational Mobility in Mexico
Marco Muñoz, UT and Universidad Veracruzana
An Option for Development in Veracruz
Scott Robinson, Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana
From Telecentros and Remesas to Salud Migrante

11:30–11:45 Coffee Break

**12:00–1:30 Session V
Migration-Related Social Policy, Poverty, and Development
in Mexico and the U.S.**

David Barkin, Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana
Mexico: Structural Change and the Social and Environmental Impact of NAFTA
Rene Zenteno, University of California, San Diego
Social Inequality and Migration in Mexico
Nestor Rodríguez, University of Houston
Immigration Enforcement Policy: Impacts on Mexican Migrants

1:30–3:00 P.M. Lunch

**3:00–5:00 Closing Session VI
Roundtable on Future Migration and Development Policy in
the U.S. and Mexico**

Facilitator: Peter Ward, LBJ School, UT
Rosalba Ojeda, Consul General of Mexico in Austin
Bryan Roberts, Director of LLILAS, UT
Gary Freeman, UT
David Leal, UT
Rodolfo Cruz, COLEF

5:00 Closing Remarks
Rebecca Torres, Harrington Fellow, UT

About the Keynote Speaker

Jorge Durand

Dr. Durand is Professor of Anthropology at the University of Guadalajara, Mexico, and Co-Director, with Douglas S. Massey, of the Mexican Migration Project and the Latin American Migration Project. He is a member of the Mexican Academy of Sciences, a foreign member of the National Academy of Sciences, and a member of the American Philosophical Society. Dr. Durand was educated at the Universidad Iberoamericana (B.A.), El Colegio de Michoacán (M.A.), and the University of Toulouse–Le Mirail, France (Ph.D.). He has studied and written about Mexican migration to the United States for the last twenty-five years. His publications, as author and coauthor, in this field include: *Return to Aztlan*, *Más allá de la línea*, *Miracles on the Border*, *Migrations mexicaines aux Etats-Unis*, *La experiencia migrante*, *Beyond Smoke and Mirrors*, and *Clandestinos*.



Panelists

David Barkin

A Ph.D. of Yale University, Dr. Barkin is Professor of Economics at the Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana–Xochimilco, Mexico City. He was a founding member of the Ecodevelopment Center in 1974 and a recipient of the National Prize in Political Economy in 1979. Dr. Barkin is a member of the Mexican Academy of Sciences and the National Research Council. His numerous books focus on Mexican economic development, food systems analysis, and sustainable development. They include: *Innovaciones Mexicanas en el Manejo del Agua* and *La Gestión del Agua Urbana en México*. His book *Wealth, Poverty and Sustainable Development* is a bilingual essay that enjoyed wide circulation and can be downloaded for free. During recent years, Dr. Barkin has worked directly with community groups to promote local capacities for self-government and ecosystem management. Among the areas in which these projects have functioned are: ecotourism, productive development of natural protected areas, forest rehabilitation, conservation and development, and wastewater treatment for peri-urban communities.

Rodolfo Cruz Piñeiro

Dr. Cruz is Director of the Population Studies Department at El Colegio de la Frontera Norte (COLEF) in Tijuana, Baja California, where he previously served as Acting President, Provost, Dean of External Affairs and Academic Support, and Director of the Graduate Studies Office. He earned his Ph.D. in sociology from the University of Texas at Austin, where he was affiliated with the Population Research Center, and currently teaches a course on international migration. Dr. Cruz also has taught numerous courses in population studies and demography at COLEF and San Diego State University and has served as President of the Mexican National Society of Demography. Since 2006, he has been a member of the Board of Advisors of the North American Center for Transborder Studies of Arizona State University. Dr. Cruz currently teaches a class on international migration at UT, where he is the 2008 Matías Romero Visiting Chair in Mexican Studies.

Raúl Delgado Wise

Dr. Delgado is Director of the Doctoral Program in Development Studies at the

University of Zacatecas, Mexico, and Executive Director of the International Migration and Development Network. He is author/editor of 14 books and more than 100 essays, including book chapters and refereed articles. Dr. Delgado has been a guest lecturer in Canada, the United States, Denmark, Switzerland, the Philippines, and various Latin American countries. He received the annual prize for economics research, the “Maestro Jesús Silva Herzog,” in 1993 and is a member of the Mexican Academy of Sciences and the National System of Researchers, among others. He is editor of the journal *Migración y Desarrollo*, a member of the editorial committee of several academic journals in the U.S., Chile, Argentina, and Mexico, and editor of the book series Latin America and the New World Order for Miguel Ángel Porrúa.

Katharine Donato

Dr. Donato is Professor of Sociology at Vanderbilt University. Her research has addressed questions related to the impact of U.S. immigration policy on the labor market incorporation of migrants, the process of immigrant incorporation in new U.S. destinations, and how the processes of health and migration unfold over the life course (see <http://www.mexmah.com>). With new funding from the National Science and Russell Sage Foundations and the Vanderbilt Center for Nashville Studies, Dr. Donato has begun a tri-city project that examines immigrant parent involvement in Chicago, New York, and Nashville. She is currently on sabbatical working on a book manuscript entitled *Segmented Lives: Labor Recruitment and Assimilation in a New Immigrant Destination*, and developing a new project on adolescent health and migration in Mexico.

Agustín Escobar Latapí

Research Professor at CIESAS Occidente, Dr. Escobar is a member of the National Social Policy Evaluation Council, the Mexican System of Researchers (top level), and the Academy of Science. He is author or coauthor of eight books and more than ninety articles and book chapters. Until 2006, Dr. Escobar was Director of “Mexico-U.S. Migration Management: A Binational Approach.” From 1999–2005, he directed the qualitative evaluation of Oportunidades, Mexico’s main social policy program. His most recent publications include his book *Pobreza y migración internacional* and an article, “The Economy, Development and Work in the Final Report of the GCIM,” in *International Migration* (4:2006).

Gary Freeman

Dr. Freeman is Professor and Chair of the Department of Government at the University of Texas at Austin. His research interests include the politics of liberal democracies, the political economy of the welfare state, and the politics of immigration in North America, Europe, and Australasia. He received

his Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin, has taught at the University of Pennsylvania and Cornell University, and has been a visiting scholar at the Australian National University, the Australian Defence Forces Academy, and Monash University. His most recent publication is “Political Economy and Migration Policy,” in the *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* (2008).

Richard Jones

Dr. Jones, a Ph.D. of Ohio State University, is Professor of Geography at the University of Texas at San Antonio, where he directs the geography program and teaches in the areas of social and economic geography. His major research interest is international migration, particularly from Mexico to the United States. Based on NSF and other grants, and a research Fulbright to Mexico, he has surveyed Mexican families in Guanajuato, San Luis Potosí, Coahuila, and Zacatecas. In addition to more than thirty articles, he is author of *Ambivalent Journey: U.S. Migration and Economic Mobility in North-Central Mexico* and edited and contributed to *Patterns of Undocumented Migration: Mexico and the United States* and to *Immigrants outside Megalopolis: Ethnic Transformation in the Heartland*. A recent Fulbright research award to Cochabamba, Bolivia, enabled him to survey more than 400 families in the Valle Alto area and to compare the Bolivian and Mexican cases in terms of transnational connections and remittance impacts.

William Kandel

Dr. Kandel conducts demographic research on immigration, race, and ethnicity in rural America for the Economic Research Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. His current research analyzes new geographic destinations of rural immigrants, immigrant integration, public policy impacts of rural Hispanic population growth, farm labor, and the role of industrial restructuring in demographic change. Prior to moving to Washington, D.C., he conducted postdoctoral research in international demography and income inequality at Penn State’s Population Research Institute. Dr. Kandel earned a Ph.D. in sociology from the University of Chicago and an M.S. in city and regional planning from Cornell University. His recent book, *Population Change and Rural Society*, coedited with David Brown of Cornell University, was published by Springer Publishers in 2006.

David L. Leal

A Ph.D. in political science of Harvard University, Dr. Leal is Associate Professor of Government at the University of Texas at Austin and Faculty Associate of the Center for Mexican American Studies and the Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies. His primary academic interest is Latino politics, and his work explores a variety of questions involving public opin-

ion, political behavior, and public policy. Dr. Leal has published over forty articles and book chapters on these and other topics and is coeditor of *Immigration Policy and Security and Latino Politics: Identity, Mobilization, and Representation*. He was an American Political Science Association Congressional Fellow from 1998–99 and is currently a member of the editorial boards of *American Politics Research*, *Social Science Quarterly*, and *State Politics & Policy Quarterly*.

David Lindstrom

David Lindstrom received his Ph.D. in sociology from the University of Chicago, with specializations in demography and statistics, and joined Brown University in 1994. He is Associate Professor of Sociology and Associate Dean of the Graduate School, a core faculty associate of the Population Studies and Training Center, and former Director of the Center for Latin American Studies. Dr. Lindstrom teaches undergraduate and graduate courses in statistics, survey research, and migration. His research examines the determinants and consequences of migration in economically developing societies, the transition into adulthood, and the changing dynamics of reproductive health and behavior. He currently directs a major longitudinal study of adolescent health and transitions into adulthood in southwestern Ethiopia.

Helen Marrow

Helen Marrow is Lecturer in Social Studies at Harvard University and will be assuming a Robert Wood Johnson postdoctoral research fellowship in Health Policy at UC Berkeley/UC San Francisco during 2008–10. She is coeditor of *The New Americans: A Guide to Immigration since 1965* and also has published on second-generation Brazilians in the United States (*Ethnicities*, 2003) and the dispersion of U.S. immigration streams into new destinations (*Perspectives on Politics*, 2005). Professor Marrow is currently revising material from her dissertation, “Southern Becoming: Immigrant Incorporation and Race Relations in the Rural U.S. South,” which explores the ways in which the rural South, as a new immigrant destination context, affects Hispanic newcomers’ experiences, mobility paths, and interactions with mainstream Americans.

Philip Martin

Dr. Martin earned a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Wisconsin–Madison. He is Professor of Agricultural and Resource Economics at the University of California, Davis. Dr. Martin has worked on labor and immigration issues for three decades. He is an award-winning author who works for the United Nations around the world, studying Turkish migration to Europe, Indonesians working in Malaysia, and Burmese

in Thailand, and migration into Britain, Germany, Greece, Italy, and Spain. He is also an expert on the wine industry in the old and new worlds.

Claudia Masferrer

Claudia Masferrer is currently in the M.A. program in statistics at the University of Texas at Austin. She obtained her B.A. in applied mathematics from the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM), where she also earned a diploma in dynamic econometric models. Before coming to UT, Claudia worked in Mexico at the National Council of Evaluation of Social Development Policy (CONEVAL) as the subdirector of Methodologies for Poverty Measurement. In 2005, she worked as a research analyst at the Social Development Ministry (SEDESOL) in the Main Directorate of Geostatistics and Rosters of Beneficiaries. Her research interests focus on the relationship between poverty and inequality with international migration and urban development.

Marco Muñoz

Dr. Muñoz is Assistant Director of the Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies at the University of Texas, where he works with research and teaching units to develop collaborative and academic exchange programs with institutions of higher education, NGOs, governmental agencies, and the private sector in Mexico and other Latin American countries. As Special Counsel to the President of the Universidad Veracruzana in Xalapa, he has had extensive experience in developing and implementing international educational projects. In addition to his degree from the University of Texas School of Law, Dr. Muñoz graduated with honors in law from the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México. He is also the President of the Board of the Center for Sustainable Development and Productivity, a nonprofit Texas organization, and has worked and traveled extensively throughout the U.S., Mexico, Latin America, and Europe. He currently teaches at the University of Texas School of Law.

Rosalba Ojeda

Last year, President Felipe Calderón of Mexico appointed Rosalba Ojeda as Consul General of Mexico in Austin, Texas. Her assignment began on May 1, 2007. Since 1982, Ojeda has been a member of the Foreign Service of Mexico. As a career diplomat, her rank is Ambassador. Consul General Ojeda previously served as Ambassador of Mexico to the Republic of Guatemala. From 2002–04, she held the post of Ambassador of Mexico to Trinidad and Tobago. Ojeda has a B.A. in international relations, having graduated with honors from the University of the Americas in Puebla in 1977. She pursued graduate studies at the Institute of Political Studies in Paris from 1972–73 and received an M.A. from the University of Texas at Austin in 1975.

Yolanda C. Padilla

Dr. Padilla is Professor of Social Work and Women's Studies and Faculty Affiliate at the Center for Mexican American Studies and the Population Research Center at the University of Texas at Austin. She has published extensively on Latino poverty and immigration. Dr. Padilla studied in the Poverty and Public Policy Research and Training Program at the University of Michigan, where she obtained a joint doctoral degree in sociology and social work. Currently, she is principal investigator of a study funded by NIH on the impact of immigration and poverty on Mexican American child health and the implications for public policy. Recent publications include "Our Nation's Immigrants in Peril: An Urgent Call to Social Workers," in *Social Work* (2008) and "The Living Conditions of U.S.-Born Children of Mexican Immigrants in Unmarried Families," in the *Hispanic Journal of Behavioral Sciences* (2006).

Bryan Roberts

Dr. Roberts received his B.A. in history from Balliol College at Oxford and an M.A. and Ph.D. in sociology from the University of Chicago. He later completed an M.A. in economics at the University of Manchester, where he taught before coming to UT. Dr. Roberts is C. B. Smith Sr. Centennial Chair in U.S.-Mexico Relations, Professor of Sociology, and Director of LLILAS. He is currently working on a CHP International funded research project on social policy and the challenges of equity and citizenship in Latin America, and recently completed two projects on urbanization in Latin America funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. His most recent publications include (with Erin Hamilton) "The New Geography of Emigration: Emerging Zones of Attraction and Expulsion, Continuity and Change," in Marina Ariza and Alejandro Portes (eds.), *Perspectivas de México y Estados Unidos en el estudio de la migración internacional*. He is currently editing (with Robert Wilson) *Urban Segregation and Governance in the Americas* and (with King Banaian) *The Design and Use of Political Economy Indicators*.

Scott S. Robinson

A Ph.D. in social anthropology of Cornell University, Dr. Robinson has taught in the Anthropology Department at the Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana-Iztapalapa, Mexico City, since 1983. He has been responsible for the Visual Anthropology Lab since 1999. Dr. Robinson also has been a producer and director of films and video documentaries about a variety of topics in Mexico, elsewhere in Latin America, and in the Philippines. His most recent publications include "The Potential Role of Information Technology in International Remittance Transfers," in *Refor-*

matting Politics—Information Technology and Global Civil Society by J. Dean, J. W. Anderson, and G. Lovink, and "Diasporas Incomunicados: IT, Remittances and Latin American Elites," in *Incomunicado Reader* by Geert Lovink and Soenke Zehle.

Nestor Rodríguez

Dr. Rodríguez is Professor and Chair of Sociology at the University of Houston. His research and publications concern Latin American international migration, the development of immigrant communities in the United States, relations among racial and ethnic groups, and state terrorism in Latin America. Dr. Rodríguez has undertaken studies with other researchers on the impacts of U.S. enforcement policies on Latin American immigrant settlements, the deaths of migrants in U.S. border areas, and the impact of deportations on sending and receiving communities. His present research includes investigation of evolving relations between African American and Latino communities. Dr. Rodríguez is currently coauthoring a book with Susanne Jonas on Guatemalan immigration.

Rebecca Torres

Dr. Torres is a Harrington Fellow in the Department of Geography and the Environment at the University of Texas at Austin and Associate Professor at East Carolina University in Greenville. She earned an M.S. in international agricultural development and a Ph.D. in geography from the University of California, Davis. Dr. Torres's research explores a range of interests in rural development and poverty reduction in Latin America and the U.S. South. In summer 2006, she received a five-year National Science Foundation Early CAREER Award to continue building an integrated program of research, education, and outreach on Latino transnational migration and settlement in the U.S. rural South. Dr. Torres has published articles in the *Annals of the Association of American Geographers*, *Annals of Tourism Research*, *Tourism Geographies*, *Tourist Studies*, *Current Issues in Tourism*, and *Progress in Development Studies*, among others.

