

MMUF Newsletter

Spring 2021

WELCOME NEW FELLOWS!



Andrew Schumann
History & Political Science
Mentor:
Dr. Jason Smith



Andy Evans
History
Mentor:
Dr. David Prior



Christy Frederick
Chicana Chicano Studies
Mentor:
Dr. Anna Nogar



Damian Yazzie
English
Mentor:
Dr. Jesse Alemán

Congratulations Graduates!



Celina Peña (Mentor: Dr. Patricia Perea)
BA American Studies, December 2020
M.Ed., Educational Counseling, USC



Aida Revilla (Mentor: Dr. Myrriah Gómez)
BA Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts, May 2021
MA Sociology, University of Chicago



Rubi Castorena (Mentor: Dr. Nancy Lopez)
BA Sociology, May 2021
Ph.D. Sociology, UC Irvine



Sarah Quevedo (Mentor: Dr. Irene
Vásquez & Prof. Eileen Shaughnessy)
BA Chicana Chicano Studies, May 2021



Dana Receives Udall Scholarship

Dana Lee (2020-2022 cohort) won the 2021 Udall Scholarship, one of the nationally competitive prestigious scholarship, which provides \$7,000 during her senior year.



The Virtual MMUF Regional Conference was hosted by Claremont Colleges & UC Riverside on November 5-6.

Angeles Rubi Castorena, Mentor: Dr. Nancy Lopez (Oral Presentation)
“The Culture Wealth Role That Mexican-Born Parents Have on Their First-Year and First-Generation College Student”

Alex Dickey, Mentor: Dr. Melina Vizcaino-Aleman (Talking Circle)
“i sing your names: Intersectionality in the Poetry of Danez Smith and Franny Choi”

Dana Lee, Mentor: Dr. Melanie Yazzie (Oral Presentation)
“Bears Ears National Monument: A Shifting Narrative of Tribal Sovereignty and Land Management”

Frankie Logan, Mentor: Dr. Osman Umurhan (Talking Circle)
“Bees and Their Changing Political Impact in Roman Literature”

Celina Peña, Mentor: Dr. Patricia Perea (Poster Presentation)
“Para Mis Hijx: Exploring Mother Scholars in Higher Ed ”

Sarah Quevedo, Mentor: Prof. Eileen Shaugnessy (Poster Presentation)
“Farming and Gardening as Resistance”

Benjamin Ramirez, Mentor: Dr. Pierre-Julien Harter (Talking Circle)
“Hegel and Vasubandhu on Consciousness, Idealism, and Dependent Origination”

Aida Revilla, Mentor: Dr. Myrriah Gómez (Poster Presentation)
“Es para los locos: Locating Mental Health in the South Valley of Albuquerque”

Monserat Rodriguez-Rico, Mentor: Dr. Nancy Lopez (Oral Presentation)
“Predetermined Paths: Socialization in the Foster Care and Penal System and the Existence of A Pipeline System Between the Two”

Fellows Updates



MELLON MAYS UNDERGRADUATE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

- Monserat Rodriguez-Rico (2020-2022 cohort) was accepted to participate in the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences' Summer Research Initiative at the University of Maryland.
- Dana Lee (2020-2022 cohort) was selected to participate in the Michigan Humanities Emerging Research Scholars Program (MICHHERS).
- Three junior cohort, Damian Yazzie, Christy Frederick, and Andy Evans, participated in the MMUF Writing and Research Training Summer Program hosted by UCLA in June and July.
- Jasmine Montoya (2016-2018 cohort) earned MA in Women' Gender and Sexuality Studies from Georgia State University and began a Ph.D. program at the UNM American Studies Department.
- Hallie Brown (2016-2018 cohort) started a Master of Public Policy program at UNM.
- Timoteo L'Esperance (2017-2019 cohort) was accepted into the JD program at Vanderbilt University

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MMUF APPLICATION

MMUF 2022-2024 Cohort Application Deadline: December 6, 2021

<https://mmuf.unm.edu/application>

MMUF Eligibility

- Have two years remaining before graduation
- Be a full-time UNM student in one of MMUF eligible majors
- Have an overall GPA of at least 3.5.
- Be determined to pursue a Ph.D. and an academic career in one of the MMUF fields*
- Be a US citizen or permanent resident
- Be a member of an underrepresented group

* MMUF Fields of Study

College of Arts & Sciences

Africana Studies
Anthropology/Archaeology
American Studies
Chicana and Chicano Studies
Communications (Media Studies)
English & Literature
Foreign Languages and Literatures
History
Latin American Studies
Linguistics
Philosophy
Political Science
Religious Studies
Sociology
Spanish and Portuguese
Women's Studies

College of Fine Arts

Art History
Film, Cinema and media Studies
(Theoretical focus)
Musicology, Ethnomusicology and
Music Theory
Performance Studies (Theoretical focus)
Theatre (Theoretical focus)

University College

Integrative Studies*
Liberal Arts*
Native American Studies

Honors College

Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts*

Multiple Colleges

Interdisciplinary Film and Digital Media