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Seventh Annual Conference

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# Some fast facts about Latinos or Hispanics

### In the U.S.:

- Hispanics are the largest and fastest-growing ethnic group in the United States.
- Latinos in the U.S. are 44.3 million (2006), accounting for over half of the 2.8 million added to the nation's population since 2005. Growth rate for the one year period between July 2005 and 2006 was 3.38 percent for the Hispanic population, almost six times as fast as the 0.57 percent growth of the non-Hispanic population. (May 2007 Census Bureau Press Release)
- Hispanic population of the United States will increase by almost 25 million people by 2020, and second-generation Hispanics will account for 47 percent of that growth. (*Pew Hispanic Center*)
- For the first time, second- and third-generation Hispanics account for most of the growth in the Hispanic population, replacing new immigrants, who fueled the growth in the past. (*Pew Hispanic Center*)

### In Missouri:

- The Latino population almost doubled in Missouri (92%) in the period 1990-2000. That rapid growth continues: Estimated Missouri Hispanic population for the year 2006 is 164,194, up 38 percent from 118,617 in the 2000 census. (Missouri Census Data Center)
- The Latino population has increased in 110 of the 114 counties of the state of Missouri. Latinos come to Missouri to work.

  Overwhelmingly, newcomers have steady jobs and pay taxes, and an increasing number buy cars and homes: they are new Missourians.
- Latino entrepreneurs are now engaging more intensively into new enterprises, including farming and construction.
- Kansas City ranks eleventh nationally among the fastest growing Latino populations residing in urban centers.
- Meatpacking rural counties—Sullivan, McDonald, Pettis, Lawrence, Saline, and Jasper—experienced from a 4 to 20-fold increase in Latino population.
- Small cities, such as Joplin, Branson, Springfield, Columbia, Jefferson City, and Warrensburg have doubled or tripled their representation of Latinos.



## About the Cambio de Colores Conference

"Cambio de Colores (Change of Colors) in Missouri" is an annual conference that focuses on issues related to the current Latino immigration to the state in particular and the Midwest in general. The conference's main goal is to contribute to a smooth and lasting integration of the new population, through the following specific tasks:

- To assess the changes brought about by the presence of new Latino urban and rural settlers in every region of the state.
- To inform about the multiple contributions—economic, social, and cultural—that these new Missourians are bringing to many communities and to the state as a whole.
- To understand the opportunities that this demographic change brings to the state, its people, communities, businesses, and educational institutions.
- To provide a forum to discuss the change and growth challenges posed to institutions and people—both new and old Missourians.
- To share relevant scholarship and best practices, and identify knowledge and service gaps that need addressing.

The three-day conference convenes academic research and extension specialists, public and private service providers, grassroots organizations, state and local government institutions, politicians, corporations, and newcomers. The conference is sponsored by the University of Missouri, in cooperation with community and state partners. It is mostly funded by participants (numbering around 300) and sponsors.

The seventh conference, "Cambio de Colores (Change of Colors) – Latinos in Missouri: Uniting Cultures – Uniendo Culturas," is organized along themes that include change and integration, communities, youth, education, health, and civil rights.

The diverse and enthusiastic participation in these very inclusive events is demonstrating the relevance and the urgency of addressing today the challenges and the opportunities that arise in Missouri and other Midwestern states, as Latinos and other newcomers settle as workers, families and members of communities.

The main institutional support for the conference comes from the Cambio Center for Research and Outreach on Latinos and Changing Communities in Missouri, established by the University of Missouri-Columbia in the fall of 2004.



## Brief History of the Conference

The Hispanic and Latin American Faculty & Staff Association of the University of Missouri-Columbia (HLAFSA) took a principal role in creating and leading the first conferences, with the enthusiastic support of the University of Missouri institutions, and the collaboration of many organizations in our state.

A groundbreaking, three-day event took place in March 2002 at the University of Missouri-Columbia: "Cambio de Colores (Change of Colors) - Latinos in Missouri: A call to action!" A synthesis of the experiences, facts and knowledge derived from this conference is the monograph Cambio de Colores. Immigration of Latinos to Missouri, which remains a state-of-the-art publication.

Subsequent conferences were in 2003 in Kansas City ("Neighbors in Urban and Rural Communities"), St. Louis in 2004 ("Gateway to a New Community"), Columbia in 2005 ("Connecting Research to Policy and Practice - Hoy y mañana.") and again in 2006 ("Beyond Borders"). In April, 2007, the conference went back to Kansas City ("Everyone Together – Todos Juntos").

Who was at the 2007 *Cambio de Colores* Conference?

- Total number of registered individual participants: 228
- Total number of institutions represented: 105
- Total number of presentations & field visits: 45, divided in the following themes:
  - o Change & Integration: 10
  - o Civil Rights: 4 o Education: 10
  - o Health: 11
  - o Youth, Families: 10

## General Information

### **About the Conference Content**

The conference program builds on the sharing of university and community resources ranging from academic studies to the practice-perspective of those working at the heart of the changing communities and the everyday experiences of non-professionals. Each year the program changes as we become more experienced in working with our newest residents.

The 2008 conference will continue to provide a platform to present, discuss, share, learn, and identify critical areas needed in developing information and promising practices to facilitate the successful transition of Latino newcomers into our communities, as well as to provide these communities the elements to make these changes in a way beneficial to all. It will also be of interest to see the effects that current nation- and statewide discussions about immigration are having in this transition.

The presentations in the conference are the result of a Call for Abstracts announced in December of 2007. The conference format includes five Plenary Sessions, and four blocks of concurrent breakout sessions addressing research, best practices, workshops and discussion panels on the themes of the conference. There will also be table display sessions and multiple opportunities for networking. This conference will look forward to building common-interest networks that may continue to operate during the year.

### The five conference themes are:

- 1. Change and Integration
- 2. Civil Rights
- 3. Education
- 4. Health
- 5. Youth, Families and Communities

### Location

The conference will be held at the Stoney Creek Inn (http://www.stoneycreekinn.com/locations/index.cfm?LocationID=8), 2601 S. Providence Rd, Columbia, Missouri 65203. (Phone: (573) 442-6400). Travel information to the venue can be found at the following web site: www.cambiodecolores.org or by calling Jamie Davis at (573) 882-2301. On-site registration begins at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, April 7, 2008. Additional information on Columbia can be found at: http://www.visitcolumbiamo.com/

### **Hotel Accommodations:**

Every person is responsible for making his/her own lodging arrangements. A block of rooms has been reserved at the conference hotel, Stoney Creek Inn, at the special rate of \$72.00 (plus applicable state and local taxes). This block will be held until March 6, 2008; after this date, it will be released. When making your reservations, please mention that you are with the "Cambio de Colores" or "Change of Colors" conference. Individuals may make reservations by calling (573) 442-6414.

### General Information

### Registration Fee:

Early registrants (postmarked by February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008) will receive a special discounted registration fee of \$175.00. Regular registration fee is \$200.00 per person and must be postmarked by March 19<sup>th</sup>. This fee includes all breaks, one lunch, and one dinner, as well as a conference packet. A late registration fee of \$25.00 will be added for applications received after March 20<sup>th</sup>. There are special rates for full time students (please see schedule in registration form).

### **Refund Policy:**

Refunds will be made only upon receipt of a written request by March 19, 2008. All refunds will be assessed a \$5.00 processing fee. There will be no refund for cancellations after that date. Please send refund requests to: Jamie Davis, MU Conference Office, 344 Hearnes Center, Columbia, MO 65211, (573) 882-4038, FAX to: (573) 882-1953 or Email to: muconf1@missouri.edu.

### **Parking:**

Parking is complimentary at the Hotel.

### Table Top Displays:

Table displays provide an opportunity for local, regional, state, and federal organizations, as well as private corporations, to share information relevant to Latinos and changing communities. Limited space is available. Proposals should be submitted to decolores@ missouri.edu or faxed to (573) 882-1953 until March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Pricing information can be obtained by contacting the Conference Office; or visit www.cambiodecolores.org.

### **Further Information:**

Questions about Program Content: Check our web site at www.cambiodecolores.org, send E-mail to decolores@missouri.edu, or contact Lisa Flores, FloresLY@missouri.edu; or call the Cambio Center at (573) 882-2978.

Questions about Registration or Special Assistance: Contact Jamie Davis, MU Conference Office, 344 Hearnes Center, Columbia, MO 65211. Phone: (573) 882-2301, or toll-free: 1-866-682-6663. Fax: (573) 882-1953, E-mail: davisj@missouri.edu.

# Schedule

(Theme keys: CR = Civil Rights; CI = Change & Integration; ED = Education; HE = Health; YFC = Youth, Families, & Communities)

| Day 1 Monday, April 7, 2008 | Registration / Poster and Table Displays | Conference Welcome | Plenary 1 CR: The Local Enforcement of Immigration Laws: The Implications for Missouri | Plenary 2 CI:<br>Change & Integration – Principles in Facilitating Difficult Dialogues on Immigration Pollicy | Encuentros/Break | Concurrent Sessions (Breakouts) | 1: CR – 2: CI – Institutional (School) Discussion of The Plenary the Plenary the Plenary arther Plenary Experiences  1: CR – 2: CI – Institutional (School) Factors in Latino/a the Plenary the Plenar | Reception - Cash Bar - Entertainment | Dinner    |
|-----------------------------|--|--------------------|--|---|------------------|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Times                       | 10:00-12:00                              | 1:00-1:50          | 2:00-3:00  | 315-4:15  | 4:15-4:45        |                                 | 4:45-6:00  | 6:00-7:00                            | 7:00-8:30 |

|                              |   |                  |                                 | 6: HE – Teaching Cross-Cultural Communication Skills to Health Care Providers     |                             | se  |                  |                                 | 6: CI – Immigrant Integration – Positive Efforts and Experiences in Illinois and Missouri    |  |
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|                              | cure for Education  |                  |                                 | 5: CR – Talking to Non-Immigrants About Immigration: A Demonstration Workshop     |                             | and Substance Abu   |                  |                                 | 5: CR –<br>Current Issues<br>on Civil Rights   | out events in town.  |
| , April 8, 2008              | 3 ED:<br>ing an Inclusive Cult  | os/Break         | ons (Breakouts)                 | 4: CI- Building Bridges to Integration Through Extension and Outreach Initiatives | and Greetings               | 4 HE:<br>ent of Mental Health   | os/Break         | ons (Breakouts)                 | 4: YFC- Supporting Cross-Cultural Adaptation and Healthy Decision-Making                     | ovide information ab   |
| Day 2 Tuesday, April 8, 2008 | Plenary 3 ED:<br>The Latino/a Education Pipeline: Creating an Inclusive Culture for Education | Encuentros/Break | Concurrent Sessions (Breakouts) | 3: ED – Best Practices and Cultural Competency in Higher Education                | Lunch/Remarks and Greetings | Acculturation Strategies and the Development of Mental Health and Substance Abuse | Encuentros/Break | Concurrent Sessions (Breakouts) | 3: ED Video – Successful Latina College Students in Kansas City                              | Free evening for participants. We will provide information about events in town. |
|                              | The Latino/a Ec   |                  |                                 | 2: YFC –<br>Career Development<br>and the Future of<br>Latino Youth               |                             | Acculturation Stra  |                  |                                 | 2: YFC – News Media and Its Influence on Latino Youth, Families, and Communities in Missouri | Free evening for   |
|                              |   |                  |                                 | 1: ED –<br>Discussion of<br>the Plenary   |                             |   |                  |                                 | 1: HE –<br>Discussion of<br>the Plenary  |  |
| Times                        | 8:30-9:45   | 9:45-10:00       |                                 | 10:00-11:30   | 12:00-1:30                  | 1:00-3:00   | 3:00-3:30        |                                 | 3:30-5:00  |  |

| - 1   | Day 3 Wednesday, April 9, 2008  |
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| $\mathbf{U}_{\mathbf{r}}$                             | Plenary 5 YFC<br>University of Missouri Extension: Statewide Resources for Latino Integration   |
|   | Encuentros/Break  |
|   | Concurrent Sessions (Breakouts)   |
| 2: CR –<br>Interpreters in Court:<br>Justice for All? | 8- 8. YFC Workshop- in Court: Safe Dating Techniques for All?  Safe Dating Techniques for the Classroom Immigrants  Fig. CI  The Economics of Immigration and Economic for the Classroom Immigrants  Immigrants |
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### Day 1 - Monday, April 7, 2008

10:00 a.m. - Noon

Registration Open / Viewing of Posters, Exhibitors and Table Displays Set up

### 1:00-1:50 p.m.

**Conference Welcome** 

Welcoming Words: Domingo Martínez, Cambio Center, University of Missouri-Columbia

Welcoming to City of Columbia: Mayor Darwin Hindman Remarks: President, University of Missouri System

Remarks: Chancellor Representative, University of Missouri-Columbia About this Conference: Lisa Flores, Conference Chair; Cambio Center fellow, University of Missouri-Columbia

### 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Plenary Session 1 - Civil Rights - The Local Enforcement of Immigration Laws: The Implications for Missouri Huyen Pham, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law, Ft. Worth, TX

### 3:15 - 4:15 p.m.

Plenary Session 2 - Change & Integration - Principles in Facilitating Difficult Dialogues on Immigration Policy
Roger L. Worthington, University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO
Sandi Hodges, University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO
Paul Ladehoff, University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO

### 4:15 - 4:45 p.m.

**Break/Encuentros** 

(Extended break time for networking)

### 4:45 - 6:00 p.m.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS I (CONCURRENT)

Breakout 1: Civil Rights - Discussion of the Plenary

Breakout 2: Change & Integration - Discussion of the Plenary

Breakout 3: Education Panel – The Role of Institutional (School) Factors in Latino/a High School Students' Educational Experiences

Breakout 4: Change & Integration – Literacy and the Arts in Kansas City- Identity, Culture, Barriers, and Negotiating Spaces

Breakout 5: Health – Smoking Prevalence and Smoking Cessation Treatment

Breakout 6: Education – Empowering Latino Students and Their Parents in Education

#### 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Cash Bar & Entertainment (To be Announced)

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Dinner

### Day 2 - Tuesday, April 8, 2008

8:30 - 9:45 a.m.

Plenary Session 3 – Education – The Latino/a Educational Pipeline: Creating an Inclusive Culture for Education Edward A. Delgado-Romero, University of Georgia, Athens, GA

9:45 - 10:00 a.m.

Break/Encuentros

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS II (CONCURRENT)

**Breakout 1: Education - Discussion of the Plenary** 

Breakout 2: Youth, Families and Communities – Career Development and the Future of Latino Youth

Breakout 3: Education – Best Practices and Cultural Competency in Higher Education

Breakout 4: Change and Integration – Building Bridges to Integration Through Extension and Outreach Initiatives

**Breakout 5: Civil Rights – Talking to Non-Immigrants About** *Immigration: A Demonstration Workshop* 

Breakout 6: Health – Teaching Cross-Cultural Communication Skills to Health Care Providers: An Innovative Curriculum for Third Year Medical Students

12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch

Remarks & Greetings

Mike Middleton, Deputy Chancellor, University of Missouri-Columbia

Brian Foster, Provost, University of Missouri-Columbia

1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Plenary Session 4 - Health

"Acculturation Strategies and the Development of Mental Health and Substance Abuse"

Luis R. Torres, Center of Latino Family Research, Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO

3:00 - 3:30 p.m.

**Break/Encuentros** 

### **BREAKOUT SESSIONS III (CONCURRENT)**

Breakout 1: Health - Plenary Discussion

Breakout 2: Youth, Families and Communities – News Media and Its Influence on Latino Youth, Families, and Communities in Missouri"

Breakout 3: Education Video – Successful Latina College Students in Kansas City

Breakout 4: Youth, Families and Communities – Supporting Cross-Cultural Adaptation and Healthy Decision-Making

Breakout 5: Civil Rights - Current Issues on Civil Rights

Breakout 6: Change and Integration – Immigrant Integration - Positive Efforts and Experiences in Illinois and Missouri

### Free evening for the participants.

We will provide information about events in town.

### Day 3 - April 9, 2008

8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Plenary Session 5 - Youth, Family and Communities

"University of Missouri Extension: Statewide Resources for Latino Integration"

Mary Simon Leuci, Program Director of Community Development, University of Missouri Extension

Jo Britt-Rankin, Program Director of Human Environmental Sciences, University of Missouri Extension

Program Director, University of Missouri Extension (to be confirmed)

### 9:30 - 9:45 am

**Break/Encuentros** 

9:45 - 11:00 a.m.

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS IV (CONCURRENT)** 

## Breakout 1: Youth, Families and Communities – UME Plenary Discussion

This discussion will explore specific of University of Missouri Extension programs that support Hispanic/Latino newcomers and the Missouri communities that receive them.

Breakout 2: Civil Rights - Interpreters in Court: Justice for All?

**Breakout 3: Youth Families and Communities Workshop** 

Safe Dating Techniques for Teenage Latinas

**Breakout 4: Education Workshop** – Innovations: Tools for the Classroom

**Breakout 5: Change and Integration –** The Economics of Immigration and Economic Opportunities for Immigrants

Breakout 6: Education Panel – Sí podemos! Drawing Strength from One Another: A Panel Discussion with Latino/a Graduate and Undergraduate Students

11:00 -12:30 p.m.

Plenary Closing Session - speaker to be announced

Adjourn

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