

Todos Juntos: Collaboration and Unity in Uncertain Times

A multistate conference about integration of immigrants
University of Missouri-St. Louis
June 14 -16, 2017

Dear Friends:

This summer, leaders from across the Midwest and the US will converge in St. Louis to attend the 16th annual <u>Cambio de Colores</u> (Change of Colores) conference on June 14-16, 2017 on the beautiful University of Missouri-St. Louis (UMSL) campus. The conference, entitled "Todos Juntos: Collaboration and Unity in Uncertain Times," will also offer an <u>Extended Education Track</u> on June 16-17 focusing on Language, Literacy and Culture.

Professionals in all fields, researchers, community leaders, and people working with immigrant communities will be attending to discuss latest research, share new skills and understandings, and exchange best practices to support integration of Latinos and newcomers of diverse backgrounds.

What you can expect from attending:

- Better understanding and cultural awareness of Latinos and immigrants, and mechanisms for creating a welcoming environment;
- Enhanced skills in **effectively communicating** with Latinos and immigrants;
- A forum for **discussing challenges** that growth and change generate for institutions and new and long-term residents of these new immigrant destinations;
- Opportunity to assess changes brought about by presence of new Latino urban and rural settlers in Missouri, and other new destination states;
- Best practices to support integration of newcomers from diverse backgrounds, and the knowledge and service needs that should be addressed; and
- Research findings as a basis for building productive practices, and for advocating for effectively engaging and integrating newcomers.

We invite your organization to take advantage of this opportunity to learn and engage with stakeholders and leaders working with Latino and immigrant communities. We are currently accepting <u>early bird registration here</u> through April 17. Sponsorship opportunities are available on our <u>sponsorship page</u>. To reserve your booth/table in the exhibitor area, please visit our <u>exhibitors page</u>.

Feel free to share the following links with colleagues: Conference <u>Invitation</u>, Cambio de Colores <u>Poster</u> and Youth Development <u>Flyer</u>. With any additional questions or concerns, feel free to email the Cambio Center at decolores@missouri.edu or call 573-882-2978 for information.

Sincerely,

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