

Section III of Division 35

Concerns of Hispanic Women/Latinas

Purpose of Section III

The purpose of Section III of Division 35 is to assemble individuals who are interested in a broad spectrum of issues affecting Hispanic women/Latinas.

Member Benefits

Networking and fellowship with professionals and students interested in Hispanic women/Latinas' issues

Convention programming

Section III email list

Leadership opportunities

Active collaboration with other sections and organizations

Section III sponsored awards and recognition

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More Information about Section III

See our webpage for membership and other information about Section III at <http://www.apadivisions.org/division-35/sections/section-three/index.aspx>

President's Welcome *Dr. Bianca L. Guzmán*

Dr. Bianca L. Guzmán is currently the Director of Go East LA a presidential campus initiative promoting college and career success in the Pre-school through 20 educational pipeline on the east side of Los Angeles administered out of the Center for Engagement, Service, and Public Good at California State University Los Angeles (Cal State LA). Bianca is an ecological community psychologist who received her doctoral degree from Michigan State University. She is the former chair of Chicana(o) and Latina(o) Studies at Cal State LA. In 1987 Dr. Guzmán founded a non-profit organization called Choices and the main goal of the Choices Program is to

promote health and education in Latino communities. Choices is an active program on the campus of Cal State LA and students participate as research assistants, interns and community engagement volunteers. Bianca is currently a Senior Research Fellow at Boston University at the Massachusetts Institute for College and Career Readiness (MICCR) where she works with the District of Barnstable on Cape Cod to examine how individualized learning programs contribute to student success. Dr. Guzmán has written numerous articles that have been published in peer reviewed journals in her three primary research areas—substance use, sexual health



and educational outcomes or as she refers to them as drugs, sex and honor role. She has also edited a book entitled "*Latina Girls: Voices of Adolescent Health in the U.S.*" Dr. Guzmán is a product of a public school education in California. Dr. Guzmán (continued on pg. 7)

Past President's Farewell *Dr. Yvette Flores*

Dear Colleagues, as my term as president of Section 3, of Division 35 draws to a close, I want to thank each and every one of you who have joined our section and have contributed to the well being of our community through your scholarship, activism, teaching, and solidarity. The last two years have taught me a

great deal about APA, division 35, and the challenges of building solidarity across political and ideological differences. Our new president, Dr. Bianca Guzman, has a wealth of life and professional experience that will enrich our section. Our new officers will bring their vision and move us forward at a critical (continued on pg. 7)



APA Denver 2016 Highlights

Each year Section III sponsors programming at the APA Convention that highlights and reflects priority areas for Latinas in psychology and in our communities. This past August, Section III sponsored a symposium at the APA convention 2016 in Denver entitled ***Latina Girls and Adolescents—Challenges and Resilience*** with the following presenters:

Donna Castañeda—*Chair*

Bianca Guzmán—***Latina Girl's Sexual Development***

Yoseline P. Lopez-Marroquin—***Latina Adolescents Linkage with Gang Violence***.

Section III members also participated in the Division 35 Conversation Hour, All Sections Roundtable entitled ***Living at the Intersection of Marginalization—Struggles and Resilience of Diverse Feminists***, with

Yvette Flores as an invited discussion leader.

Finally, Section III had its yearly APA Business Meeting and Social Hour in the Division 35 Hospitality Suite. Everyone is invited to this meeting, light snacks were provided, and it was an opportunity to connect, share ideas, make plans for next year, and have an informal time to get to know each other while at the APA convention.

Section III members after our Business Meeting and Social Hour at the APA Convention in Denver. From left to right Dellanira Garcia, Eloiza Alcaraz, Jessica Lopez, Yvette Flores, Maciel Campos, Bianca Guzmán, Donna Castañeda, and Yoseline Lopez-Marroquin



2016 Latina Student Scholar Award Winners

Two Latina Student Scholar awards were given at APA 2016 in Denver for two outstanding submissions by Verónica Caridad Rabelo (University of Michigan) and Mary S. Guerrant (North Carolina State University). Congratulations to both!



**Verónica
Caridad
Rabelo**

Winning paper title
“Joyful Burdens”: The Paradox of Compassion as a Demand and Resource Among U.S. Latinx K-12 Teachers



**Mary S.
Guerrant,
MS**

Winning paper title
Sharing Experiences: Applying a Strengths-Based Intersectional Approach to Understanding Health Challenges among Queer Latina Women



Meeting Naomi Tutu...

A highlight of APA 2016 was a dinner at a local restaurant, sponsored by Division 35, with Naomi Tutu. Ms. Tutu was the *Truth & Reconciliation* guest speaker at APA and she is also the daughter of Archbishop Desmond Tutu, who was a leading figure in the antiapartheid movement in South Africa. In addition to conducting truth and reconciliation workshops, Ms. Tutu is an international activist speaking on issues of race, gender, and human rights. It was a privilege meet her at this event.

Standing with Naomi Tutu, who is seated, are from left to right, Donna Castañeda, Yvette Flores, and Bianca Guzmán.

New Section III Officers

Yolanda Flores Niemann *Secretary*



Yolanda Flores Niemann is Professor of Psychology at the University of North Texas (UNT). Previously, she served as Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs at UNT, Vice Provost and Dean of the College of Humanities, Arts, and Social Sciences at Utah State University, and held numerous administrative and faculty positions at Washington State University. She has been Principal Investigator of over 42 million dollars in federal outreach grants. Her research interests include the effects and social ecological contexts of stereotypes and tokenism across various domains, the psychological effects of tokenism, interventions for diffusing tokenism, interventions for microaggressions, and effective mentoring across demographic groups. Her most recent book (coedited) is *Presumed Incompetent: The Intersections of Race and Class for Women in Academia*. She has several other books and many journal articles, including in *Journal of Applied Psychology*; *Journal of Applied Social Psychology*; *Sociological Perspectives*; *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*; *The Journal for the Theory of Social Behavior*; *Frontiers: A Journal of Women's Studies*, and *Hispanic Journal of Behavioral Sciences*, *The Journal of Social Issues*, and *The Counseling Psychologist*.

Eloiza Alcaraz *Treasurer*



Dr. Eloiza M. Alcaraz earned her B.A. from California State University, Northridge, an M.S. from Mount Saint Mary's University-Los Angeles, an M.A. and a Psy.D. from the California School of Professional Psychology-Los Angeles at Alliant International University. Dr. Alcaraz grew up in a predominantly Latino community where her parents worked as campesinos in the strawberry fields and her mother was a Curandera in the community. Dr. Alcaraz is an active member of the National Latina/o Psychological Association and holds board member positions in different mental health agencies in Los Angeles County. Dr. Alcaraz is an active Latino community advocate, as well as a consultant for cultural enhancement. Currently, Dr. Alcaraz is an assistant professor in the graduate psychology program at Mount Saint Mary's University-Los Angeles, which is a recognized Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI). She also directs a certificate program embedded in the MFT specialization, focusing on counseling the Spanish-speaking client. Her current clinical work is with children and adolescents who are affected by trauma. Her research interests are cultural competency in Latino mental health.

Accomplishments and Transitions

Yvette Flores

Profesora Yvette Flores recently was promoted to Professor Step 7 at UC Davis. She has been on the faculty of Chicana and Chicano Studies since 1989.

Dellanira Valencia-Garcia

New baby girl, Ava Juliana who is now 1!

2014-16 National Institutes of Health, Health Disparities Loan Repayment Program, National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities

2016 Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Research Congress, Excellence in Educational Research Award

Valencia-Garcia, D., Rao, D., Strick, L., & Simoni, J. (2016). HIV-positive Peruvian women's experiences with stigma from healthcare providers: "I would rather die than go back for care." *Health Care for Women International. Health Care for Women International*, 2, 1-15.

Ong-Flaherty, C., **Valencia-Garcia, D.**, Martinez, D. A., Borges, W., & Summers, L. (2016, October). Pluralism, Ethical Relativism and Non-maleficence in Critical Cultural Awareness Training. Oral presentation at the Society for Ethics Across the Curriculum Conference, Salt Lake City, UT.

Ayon, C., Messing, J.T, Gurrola, M., & **Valencia-Garcia, D.** (2016, October). The oppression of Latina mothers: Experiences of exploitation, violence, marginalization, cultural imperialism, and powerlessness in their everyday lives. Paper presentation at the Biennial Conference of the National Latino/a Psychological Association, Orlando, FL.

Valencia-Garcia, D., Martinez, D.A., Ong-Flaherty, C., Summers, L., & Borges, W. (2016, August). Diversity training: A qualitative analysis of student's experiences during a simulation exercise. Poster presentation at the annual convention of the American Psychological Association, Denver, CO.

Martinez, D. A., **Valencia-Garcia, D.** (2016, July). A qualitative assessment of the physical and mental health needs of a community of farmworkers of Mexican descent. Oral presentation at the American Psychological Association, Div 45 Conference, Stanford, CA.

Aída Hurtado

2016 Chicana/Latina Foundation Legacy Award, San Francisco, CA.

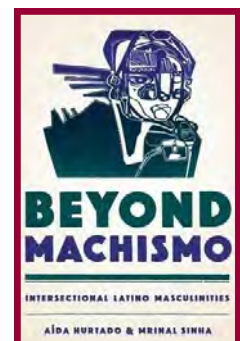
Hurtado, A., & Sinha, M. (2016). *Beyond machismo: Intersectional Latino masculinities*. Austin, TX: University of Texas Press.

Donna Castañeda

Castañeda, D., & Burns-Glover, A. (in press). Women's friendships and romantic relationships: Culture, sexuality, and lifespan contexts. In F. Denmark & M. Paludi (Eds.), *Psychology of women: A handbook of issues and theories*, 3rd ed. Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger Publishers.

Hammett, J. F., Ulloa, E. C., **Castañeda, D.**, & Hokoda, A. (in press). Intimate partner violence victimization and romantic relationship distress among Caucasian and Mexican American newlyweds. *Violence and Victims*.

Hammett, J. F., **Castañeda, D.**, & Ulloa, E. C. (2016). Predicting mental health based on partners' marital distress: A latent profile analysis. *The Family Journal: Counseling and Therapy for Couples and Families*, 1-11.



Section III Student Scholar Award

Each year Section III makes an award to a graduate student for research or scholarly work that advances the field of Latina feminist psychology. For the first time since the beginning of the award, Section III made two student scholar awards at APA 2016 in Denver, due to the high quality of submissions received. The award announcement will all details needed for applying is listed below. Please feel free to share this announcement with anyone you know who may be interested. Deadline for applications is April 15, 2017.

Section III of Division 35 *Student Scholar Latina Award*



The *Student Scholar Latina Award* honors the scholarly contributions of a student who has conducted research and/or scholarly work that advances the field of Latina feminist psychology. Submissions for consideration may include products based on degree-related work (e.g., thesis & dissertations) and other projects (class papers).

Nomination Requirements:

- Master's or Doctoral level students currently enrolled in graduate training. Upon receipt of the award the winner should become a Section III member.
- A letter of reference from the student's advisor/faculty mentor who can verify enrollment, address the merits of the student-initiated product, and address the nominee's commitment and potential for advancing Latina feminist paradigms.
- Electronic submission (via e-mail attachment) of the following files:
 - A two-page letter of application with full contact information and membership status for Division 35, Section III. The letter must address: 1) a project/paper focused on the advancement of Latina feminist psychology, 2) applicant's commitment to the field of Latina feminism, and 3) how the particular project addresses and advances this field of study.
 - 100 word abstract of the scholarly product
 - A copy or summary of the scholarly product (10 page maximum)
- E-mail materials to Dr. Dellanira Garcia, Ph.D., at dgarcia12@usfca.edu using the subject heading "Latina Scholar Award" by **April 15, 2017**.

Evaluation and Award Notification:

- Applications will be evaluated by a three-member committee on:
 - Scholarly merit (theoretical conceptualization, methodology)
 - Practice and research implications
 - Overall contributions to advancing the field of Latina psychology
- Applicants will be notified via e-mail regarding status of their application.

Distribution of Award:

- The award winner will receive a certificate of achievement, monetary award of \$250, and recognition at the 2017 APA Convention. Additionally, the abstract of the winning product will be posted on the Section III webpage and announced in the Division 35 Newsletter.

To join Section III go to <http://www.apadivisions.org/division-35/sections/section-three/membership.pdf>
Please note, you do not need to be an APA or Div 35 member to join Section III or to apply to this award.

President's Welcome *(cont. from pg. 1)*

attended California State University, Los Angeles and received both a Bachelor's degree in developmental psychology and a Master's degree in social psychology. Bianca was born in Guatemala and was an undocumented student throughout her elementary and high school years. Finally, Dr. Guzmán has two daughters one who attends UC Santa Cruz and her youngest daughter attends the Los Angeles County for the Arts High School (LACHSA) located on the campus of Cal State LA.

Past President's Farewell *(cont. from pg. 1)*

time in our section and in Division 35. I pledge to continue to support the work of our section and will remain engaged with Division 35 in the years to come. The early career psychologists who have become active in our section and the continued engagement of our midcareer and senior members encourage me. I know we will continue to grow and thrive under their leadership. Adelante.

Con respeto, Yvette G. Flores



Section III Officers

Bianca Guzmán—President Yvette Flores—Past President
Yolanda Flores-Niemann—Secretary Eloiza Alcaraz—Treasurer
Yoseline Lopez Marroquin—Student Rep
Danielle Quintero—Student Rep

For more information about Section III or to become a member please visit our website: <http://www.apadivisions.org/division-35/sections/section-three/index.aspx>